

Australian Golf Croquet Open Doubles

Ever wanted to play in an Australian Golf Croquet Tournament? Grab a partner and enter the Open Doubles!

The annual Australian Golf Croquet Open Doubles is being held at the Victorian Croquet Centre, Cairnlea; the largest croquet specific venue in the southern hemisphere.

The championship commences early on the morning of Saturday 6 May and the finals will completed during the afternoon of Tuesday 9 May.

Doubles pairings from across Australia will test their skill and ability vying for the Fleming Glass Disc Trophies. Last year's winners – Wendy Dickson and Anne Quinn – have announced their intention to take a break from croquet, so this is an excellent opportunity to acquire some glassware for your trophy cabinet.

If you and your partner are wanting to 'have a go' but don't quite have the confidence to hit the 'big time' just yet, you can always enter the Plate event.

Please note that Atkins Quadway hoops will be used during this tournament (and the Open Singles).



Victorian Croquet Centre

Now that you have made the decision to play, it is very easy to enter just go to the Croquet Australia website, click on Tournaments and click on GC Open Doubles Entry Form.

The on-line entry form offers a couple of options – Pay entry fees for both yourself and your partner, or Pay only for yourself.

If you would like to play and are unable to find a partner please contact Peter Freer, Chair of the Events Committee by email events@croquet-australia.com.au before or after making an on-line entry.

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Australian Golf Croquet – Open Doubles

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Tournament Handicapper Peter Freer
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Headquarters: Victorian Croquet Centre **How to Enter:** via the ACA website at:

https://croquet-australia.com.au/tournaments/2017/gc/open-singles

Closing Date for Entries: Thursday 20 April (midnight WA time)
Entry Fees: \$80 per player or \$160 per pair

If entering the Plate ONLY: \$40 per player or \$80 per pair

Full time students (under 25) and players aged under 21 at 31st December 2017

are entitled to 50% reduction of the above fees.

Functions: No formal functions have been arranged but there will be a presentation at the

conclusion of the final.

Prizes: The Winners receive \$300, a gold medal and the Fleming Glass Disc Trophy each;

Runners Up receive \$150 each and a silver medal each.

Draw: To be conducted by the ACA Tournament, Events and GC Selection Committees

using the ACA Seeding and Draw procedures. The latest available world GC

ranking list current will be used for seeding purposes.

Registration: From 2pm Friday 5 May or before play on Saturday 6 May.

Format: Block play with single games then 8 pairs into knockout, or other format,

depending on entries. Finals matches will best of 3, 13 point games, except the final which will be best of 5 if time permits. Quarter-Final losers will play-off for 5^{th} places and Semi-Final losers will play-off for $3^{rd}/4^{th}$ place. All games will start

without time-limits.

Pairs not making the finals proceed to the Plate which is designed to maximise the amount of play and will be conducted as large blocks or Swiss, with a single life knock out final. Players may enter direct without playing in the main event but an

entry form still needs to be completed.

Catering: Coffee & tea; lunch & other food available for purchase

