

United Croquet Club

Newsletter

May 2009

North Hagley Park, Riccarton Avenue

AGM

The AGM was held Saturday 16 May 2009 and the new committee is:

<i>President</i>	Tony O'Donnell	<i>Vice President</i>	Magnus McGee
<i>Secretary</i>	John Yarrall	<i>Treasurer</i>	Trevor Walker
<i>Club Captain</i>	Philippa Porter	<i>Club Vice Captain</i>	Seth Bennett
<i>Committee</i>	Sally Jeffcott, Kevin Cusack, Geraldine Murphy, Jonathan Fletcher		

Diary of Events

Saturday June 6, 6:30 pm	Club dinner, Commerce Club Canterbury, 277 Kilmore Street
Saturday June 20, 10:00am	Working bee
Saturday August 15, 9.00 am	Captain's talk followed by working bee at 9.30 am (alternate day August 22)
Saturday August 29, 10.00 am	Opening Day (alternate day September 5)
Sunday September 6, 13, 20	Coaching
To be advised	Coaching tournament
Saturday/Sunday September 26/27	United weekend tournament
Monday October 12 to December 14	Spring evening tournament
Thursday February 11 to March 25	Summer evening tournament

Club website

Magnus has started a website for our club. It can be found at www.croquet.org.nz/clubs/united/. It contains the diary and information about coming events. Eventually it will have competition results and other information. Comments and suggestion to Magnus.

The Club Dinner

Be at the Commerce Club Canterbury, 277 Kilmore Street, at 6.30 pm for dinner at 7.00 pm Saturday June 6. Cost is \$20 per person. Presentation of Club Trophies will follow the dinner. Please note: The Club will be charged if you have booked and do not turn up, so please do attend what has been a most enjoyable and cheap evening out.

Year Books

Please order one by adding your name to the list on the Club Noticeboard or emailing our Secretary by June 16 at john@workwrite.co.nz. Cost is \$16. This will be invoiced with subscriptions for next season.

2009/10 fixtures

A questionnaire has been sent to members asking what interclub and club events you want to enter. Please return these to Philippa as soon as possible.

Captain's Talk

Please be at the Club 9.00 am to hear about Club Teams, starting times for fixtures, and other essential information. Bring your diaries.

The Working Bees

We are having two working bees to get on top of all the tasks that need doing. Some of the tasks are: removing leaves, painting hoops and clips, fence repair, gardening, tidying and cleaning the club house and sheds. The working bee will follow the Captain's Talk and be under way by 9.30 am. Please bring cleaning rags and buckets, and "work clothes". Secateurs, a wheel barrow, hand brushes for spider webs, and a rake would be useful.

Winter play

The winter play arrangements are: Wednesdays and Saturdays, 11.00 am to 3.00 pm, frost and lawn moisture permitting.

Subscriptions

Accounts will be sent out mid-year. Subscriptions are due before September 30 2008. You are reminded that both CCA and Croquet New Zealand rules state that you must be a fully paid-up member of your club before you can enter tournaments. At the AGM subs were increased by the rate of inflation to \$170 for a full membership.