



HALLS HEAD CROQUET CLUB NEWSLETTER Sept. 2024

CHANGING OF THE GUARD

David Hunt steps down from his presidency as he and Gill have sold their house in Mandurah to spend half the year in England and half in Subiaco. They have joined Cambridge. We wish them well and thank them for their past valuable services to us as membership officer, treasurer and president.



Phil de Gruchy is one of our newest members, and has put his hand up and been elected as our new president. He comes with

good croquet and administrative experience and has moved to Halls Head from the Narrogin club.

Jo Waddell is another relatively new member who has been elected as our Vice President. She also has much management experience. So we have a new team in the top positions. We are grateful for both these members and we look forward to working with them.



Bernie Lynch has taken on the Match Captain task in an official capacity having been doing the job for a while. He has relinquished his job as secretary and Sheila Twine has taken this over. It will be a big learning curve for her and both Bette Dawson and Jenny Ingle have offered their help which is gladly accepted.

Lyn de Gruchy is continuing as our Housekeeping officer on the committee.

Cec Maclachlan takes over the job of 'Membership'



Marty Clarke organised coaching sessions for newer players from Halls Head, Pinjarra, Drakesbrook in Waroona and Byford. Two sessions were held on Thursday 8th and Sunday 11th August at the Mandurah Croquet Club. He will be running additional sessions so look out for flyer later in the year.



One is never too old to play croquet. Derek Freeman at 90+ and Sheila Twine at 88 enjoy their weekly sessions on the lawns. Sheila has just taken over as the secretary for the club.



Editor. Bette Dawson has taken over your newsletter. Let her know if you have any items for the October one. Bette will be putting a flyer out for our October lunch, so come and join us

DIARY NOTES FOR YOU

Wednesday 18th September at croquet break time. Morning tea to farewell David and Gill Hunt and thank them both for all their work for our club.

Saturday 21st September. Spring Carnival starts with AC. Top grade GC handicapped doubles on **Sunday 22nd** with the C and D divisions, handicap doubles playing on **Monday 23rd**. Make sure you enter by Saturday 14th to book your slot. A fun competition for everyone.

Thursday 26th September. HMAS Stirling from Garden Island are coming back to our club in the morning to have another go at croquet. They so enjoyed their last visit. Coaches needed – see Bernie or Phil.

Sunday 6th October in the morning. DART (Dialysis and Renal Transplant group) are coming to have a go at croquet. If you can spare some time to help, see Bernie or Phil.

Wednesday 9th and Friday 11th October. Watch out for **DRAWN DOUBLES** flyer to add your names to this popular competition where we mix experienced players with less experienced.

TIP OF THE MONTH. *Make sure you know what colour plays after you. This colour is your main opposition target. So, If your are red, then black is your immediate danger. Bash it away – hard. Hopefully your partner can deal with blue. This tactic wins matches.*