



Cammeray Croquet Club

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July Newsletter

Working bee



Margaret O'Brian digging



Liz Nash giving instructions



Members hard at work

There was a good turnout for the working bee on the club gardens, with around a dozen members weeding, trimming and digging.



Fixing the garden beside the tennis courts

Bronze Pennants

There was an exciting end to the bronze pennants. The final game was between Killara and Cammeray Red. If Cammeray Red won all three games, all three teams would be equal on matches, equal on games, but Cammeray Red would be ahead on hoops. Cammeray Red won both the singles games, but the doubles games went to golden hoop before Killara won 13-12 and took out the prize.



Mary Goldsack with Malcolm Sheldon



Gail Parrott

Silver singles



Di Scott (Wollongong) playing Rob Barrie



Michael Strickland refereeing, with Lucy Rees and Roberta Flint

This was played at Cammeray in fine weather. Rob Barrie and Di Scott won all their block games and their semifinals. In the best-of-three finals the first game went to golden hoop, with Di winning, then she won the second game to take the tournament. Margaret O'Brien was off-form in the block games, but came good to win the Y-event.

The players were very pleased with the catering by Cammeray – hot soup on the cold days!

Upcoming competitions

Playing in tournaments organised by other clubs is a pleasant experience – especially country tournaments. A couple you can try are:

Sawtell 23-26 October more details on www.sawtellcroquetclub.com.au

Manly Seabreeze 5-9 Sept

Vale Tony Hall



One of the great figures of Australian and world croquet died on 22nd July at the age of 93.

He was President of the World Croquet Federation (WCF), Treasurer of Croquet Australia (ACA), President of Croquet New South Wales (CNSW), President of the Canberra Croquet Club.

In 1998 to 2006, he acted as chairman of the first WCF Golf Croquet Rules Committee and then continued to serve as Australia's representative until 2013. He was also on the WCF AC Rules Committee for many years.

From 2001 to 2006 he represented NSW in the Australian Interstate Association Croquet Championship and also represented NSW in 2007 and 2008 in the first two Australian Interstate Golf Croquet Championship.

He won the 2002 and 2005 National Golf Croquet Handicap Championship, the 2004 Australian Golf Croquet Open Singles Championship and, in 2005, won the NSW and Queensland Open Singles Association Croquet championships. While doing all this, he also played hockey with his veterans' team for twenty years, touring England, New Zealand, Canada, South Africa, Australia and South America!

Tony played a central role in promoting and developing Golf Croquet as a competitive discipline, both in Australia and globally. His leadership, vision, and tireless work helped shape the direction of the sport for generations.

Tony spent 38 years in the Australian Army, joining in 1949 and serving overseas in the Antarctic, Malaya, England, Thailand, Vietnam and Papua New Guinea. He retired as a full Colonel in 1987 and was awarded the OBE. He gained considerable administrative experience both as an officer and from playing and being actively involved in the administration of hockey, squash and swimming.

Many of the older members of Cammeray remember Tony with affection, and have had fine games against him. He was always friendly and helpful, and a fine example to us all.