



Croquet Australia

Program for

10th Australian Golf Croquet Tournament

Handicap Singles and Doubles

Deniliquin NSW

19 - 23 October 2009



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Welcome

Welcome to the 2009 ACA Handicap Golf Croquet Tournament. This event grows in popularity each year and hopefully will continue to do so. Since its inception in 2000 the number of competitors has increased markedly and more importantly the quality of the Golf Croquet has shown a dramatic increase. I believe the latter increase is directly attributable to the players and to the fact they have access to handicap competition of which there is not a lot played at club level.

Planning for and organising of these events is to say the least a time consuming task and many people contribute to that task. I would like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to those who have devoted such a lot of their free time to arrange this year's event. In particular I would like to thank the members of the Deniliquin Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club, Maureen Fitzmaurice and Dorothy Murphy, Tournament Referee Owen Edwards, Steve Jones, Peter Freer & Maree Skinner from the ACA.

I regret not being able to be with you this year and to meeting and talking to you during the event. Your co-operation with the organisational requirements is appreciated and we will keep these to a minimum so that the competition can flow. Any comments you may wish to provide would be most welcome.

I wish all the competitors well and trust that win or lose, you will enjoy your Golf Croquet at Deniliquin.

Max Murray
President, Australian Croquet Association.

TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS

Tournament Manager – John Tainsh
Events Manager – Peter Freer
Tournament Referee – Owen Edwards
Tournament Handicapper – John Tainsh

TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

The Tournament Committee will comprise:

- Tournament Manager
- Tournament Referee

The Tournament Committee will be the final Appeals Committee for any issue arising during the Tournament.

TOURNAMENT FORMAT

Event 1 – Handicap Doubles - Handicap Play Monday, 19 October, 2009. Round Robin. Single life games. Finals Tuesday 20 October 2009.

Event 2 – Handicap Singles – Round Robin, Single life Games. Commencing Wednesday 21 and continuing Thursday 22 October. Finals Friday 23 October 2009.

Please note:

All winners of trophies are directed to obtain a quote for the price of engraving their details on the trophy and submit that quote to the ACA Executive Director for approval before proceeding with engraving.



**NATIONAL GOLF CROQUET
HANDICAP SINGLES**

2000 – Max Eyers (NSW)
2001 – John Baldwin (VIC)
2002 – Tony Hall (VIC)
2003 – Harley Dohnt (VIC)
2004 – Jack Denson (VIC)
2005 – Ian Rees (VIC)
2006 - Harley Dohnt (VIC)
2007 – Jim Saunders (VIC)
2008 – Creina Dawson (SA)

**NATIONAL GOLF CROQUET
HANDICAP DOUBLES**

2000 – N Bond/George Latham (VIC)
2001 – Betty Moore/Vonda Hamilton (VIC)
2002 – Ian Bassett/Lyn Creasey (VIC)
2003 – Dorothy Dean/Judy Beresford (VIC)
2004 – Harley Dohnt/B Bailey (VIC)
2005 - Bernie McAlary/Bill Coull (NSW)
2006 - Harley Dohnt/Joan McCalman (VIC)
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**Handicap Doubles Deniliquin
Monday 19 – Tuesday 20 October, 2009**

Blocks for Doubles

	Block A	Block B	Block C	Block D
1	C Dawson V Murphy	D Wise P Wise	I Grant M Grant	J Compton R Compton
2	J Saunders V Saunders	T Hall B McDonald	J McQuade J Stuart	V Lefel J Baldwin
3	J Tainsh I Howe	B McAlary W Freeman	G Vandersluys J Vandersluys	H Fraser D McLaughlin
4	P Hobson B Carter	B Simon R Vincent	D Christopher J Christopher	S Close E Kelly
5	L Roberts M Edwards	E Beard D Dean	M Shanahan C Shanahan	P Debney A Debney
6	J Tracey B Snibson	B Howe M Telford	R Mole J Sykes	C Daly J McCalman
7	J Pumpa B Somerville	D Powell J Russell-Clarke	J Goodluck R Cook	P Kane R Kay

**Play-off Handicap Doubles Tuesday 20 October 2009
Best of 3 Final**

Quarter final	Semi Final	Final	
Winner Block A V Runner Up B	Winner		
Winner Block B V Runner Up C	Winner	Winner	
Winner Block C V Runner Up D	Winner	V Winner Best of 3	Handicap Doubles Winner
Winner Block D V Runner Up A	Winner		

Order of Play for Doubles and Singles

Round 1	1 v 8	4 v 5	3 v 6	2 v 7
Round 2	4 v 6	1 v 7	2 v 8	3 v 5
Round 3	2 v 5	4 v 8	3 v 7	1 v 6
Round 4	3 v 8	2 v 6	1 v 5	4 v 7
Round 5	1 v 4	5 v 8	6 v 7	2 v 3
Round 6	5 v 7	1 v 3	2 v 4	6 v 8
Round 7	1 v 2	5 v 6	7 v 8	3 v 4

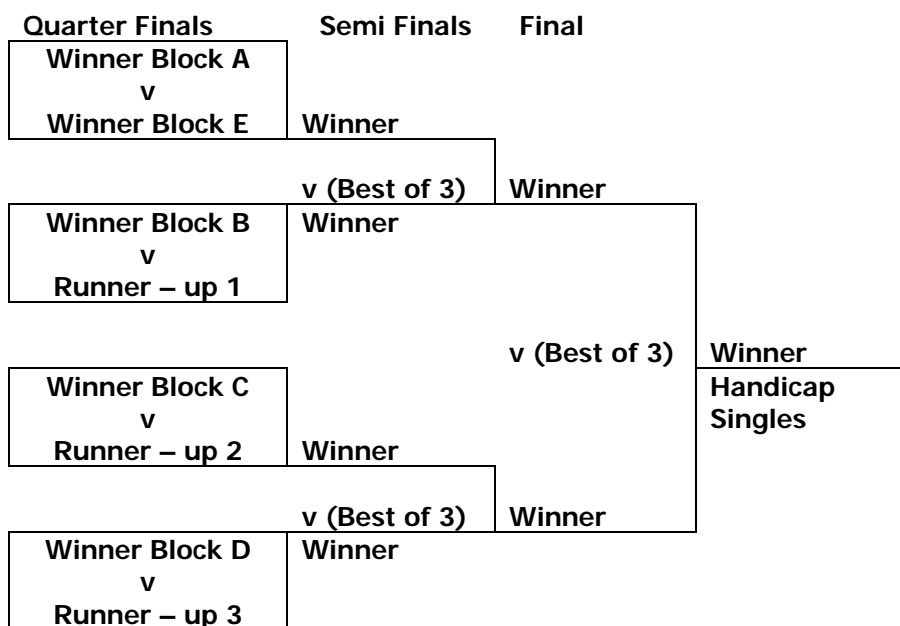
* Please note that both draws, number 8 will represent a bye.

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**Handicap Singles Deniliquin
Wednesday 21 – Friday 23 October, 2009
Blocks for Singles**

	Block A	Block B	Block C	Block D	Block E
1	Tony Hall NSW	John Compton NSW	Creina Dawson SA	Genny Vandersluys Vic	Jim Saunders Vic
2	Isabelle Howe NSW	Anna Miller Vic	Ian Grant Vic	Viv Murphy SA	David Wise SA
3	Eric Miller Vic	Peter Freer ACT	Max Huddle NSW	Bernie McAlary NSW	Edna Kelly NSW
4	Philip Wise SA	Michael Shanahan SA	Heather Fraser Vic	Wilma Freeman Vic	Marjorie Grant Vic
5	Derek Christopher NSW	Patrick Hobson NSW	Robyn Compton NSW	Bernice Carter NSW	Jill Tainsh NSW
6	Andrew Debney SA	Lynne Roberts Vic	Shirley Close NSW	Val Saunders Vic	John Vandersluys Vic
7	Jaynee Russell-Clarke Vic	Darren McLaughlin NSW	Carolyn Shanahan SA	Judy Goodluck NSW	David Powell Vic

**Play-off Handicap Singles Thursday 22nd Friday 23rd October 2009
Single Life Block Play - Best of 3 Semi-Final and Final**



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Conditions of Play

1. Events will be played under the WCF Golf Croquet Rules adopted by Croquet Australia.
2. Competitors who have not provided an address and telephone number at which messages can reach them during the event should provide this information to the Tournament Manager during registration.
3. Nine (9) courts will be available. Courts will be allocated by the Venue Manager and games will be double banked as required.
4. Hoops are to be set as near as possible to 3 11/16 inches. To allow for inaccuracies in gauges, balls, hoops and setting techniques, a tolerance of $\pm 1/32$ inch is allowed.
5. Dawson International balls will be used.
6. All games will be un-timed. However, the Tournament or Venue Managers may impose a time limit of an additional 15 minutes of play after a game has been in progress for at least 1 hour. WCF Golf Croquet Regulation 2(d) will apply.
7. Courts may be available for practice up to 7.45am each day and after the completion of play for the day, subject to club requirements for dressing courts and maintenance. The Tournament Manager's approval should be sought for such practice and players assistance in preparing and clearing lawns will ensure that this practice can continue.
8. A 5 minute warm up period will be permitted before a player's first game of the day.
9. Matches shall commence at **8.00 am** sharp unless otherwise indicated. Players are requested to be at their designated court before the scheduled starting time.
10. Players may be allowed a break of up to 10 minutes between matches and a lunch break of up to 30 minutes. The Tournament Manager will ensure games go on expeditiously to enable completion of the scheduled program. In best of three matches, games should be 'seamless' - players are expected to commence play in the second and third games immediately after the completion of the previous game. **It is mandatory for players to inform the Tournament Manager should they wish to leave the venue for any reason.**
11. Players and officials must wear suitable, predominately white sportswear or their approved club or state uniform. Flat-soled footwear must be worn.
12. The Tournament Manager will decide whether play in any match should continue in bad weather.
13. Referees will generally be on call in terms of Rule 15 (b) (2).
14. The Tournament Manager in consultation with the Executive of Croquet Australia may make any alterations to the program, draw and other arrangements as are necessary in order to complete the tournament in the time available.
15. Owen Edwards will host a Referee/Laws session at 3pm on Sun 18 October, to be followed by registration.
16. The Australian Handicapping System is in force for this Tournament. Players are to ensure that they have their ACA Handicap Cards with them to present to the Tournament Manager or his representative before each event commences. Handicap cards should be completed after each game. If players reach a trigger point their handicap changes immediately. Handicaps may be adjusted by the Tournament Handicapper during the events.
17. This event is open to all but limited to 64 players based on order of receipt of entries.

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- 18.** The draw was conducted by the Executive Director of Croquet Australia in conjunction with the ACA Tournament and Selection Committee using the ACA Seeding and Draw procedures, as follows:
 - a. Blocks were seeded by handicap and members of the same family were placed in different blocks and players from the same State were evenly spread between blocks. Each player will play other players in the block in a single life 13 point game.
 - b. In Singles, the winner of each block, plus 3 other players, based on games and then net points, will proceed to the knockout stage of the event. If players are still tied then the players concerned will play a 13 point game to determine the winner, or other method at the Tournament Manager's discretion. The knockout quarterfinals will be single life, and (if time allows) semifinals and final will be played as best of three 13 point games. The final will be played on Friday 23 October.
 - c. In Doubles, the winners & runner-ups of each block, based on games and then net points, will proceed to the knockout stage of the event. If players are still tied then the players concerned will play a 13 point game to determine the winner, or other method at the Tournament Manager's discretion. The knockout will be 13 point single life games up to the final which (if time allows) will be played as a best of three 13 point games.
- 19.** Players may be asked to play up to 7 games per day.
- 20.** The Tournament Manager in consultation with the Executive of Croquet Australia may make any alterations to the program, draw and other arrangements as are necessary in order to complete the tournament in the time available.