

# CROQUET AUSTRALIA

## ***EXECUTIVE CIRCULAR – NO 2 2005***

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### ***State President's Meeting***

It is now confirmed that there will be a meeting for all State Presidents with the ACA Executive Committee in Caloundra immediately following the completion of the Australian Open Singles at the Sunshine Coast, on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2005. This is a follow up on the successful meeting held at Essendon in July 2004. These meetings are meant to help towards a unified approach to the progress of croquet generally across all areas of Australia. The progress towards establishing the "Honeyeater Trail" of croquet tournaments involving several states is an example of the efforts of this meeting.

### ***ACA Gold Medal event re invented***

This year's annual meeting of the ACA agreed that the Australian Medal competition would revert back to a position where there is to be a play off amongst all the State winners for the ACA Gold Medal. This change is to be introduced this season with the winner of the State event receiving an ACA Bronze Medal. The national winner to receive an ACA Gold Medal and the runner up an ACA Silver Medal. To improve the interstate play off, the State winners will all play each other twice in a double round robin competition. Consequently this will be a 3 day event, held in Adelaide immediately prior to the start of the Men's and Women's Singles events in March 2006.

### ***Trans Tasman event, dates settled***

Negotiations with New Zealand have resulted in settling upon 24-29 April 2006 as suitable dates for this 6 day Test Series. There was some difficulty in finding a suitable date as NZ have the additional commitment with the WCF World Golf Croquet Championships. The venue will be Melbourne and it looks very likely that the new courts at Cairnlea will be ready.

### ***Women's World Golf Croquet***

No doubt our two representatives Chris Pont and Valerie Lefel are now in serious training for this event in Cairo next November. With the recent advice that 29 entries have been received the organisers are revising their plans and will now be able to cater for up to 48 entries. Both men and women Golf Croquet players can set their sights on New Zealand for the World Championships in Hawkes Bay in March 2006.

### ***Australia A v NZ A***

We wish all players the best for this new event which will help prepare all players for greater things in future international competition. We thank Croquet Victoria for hosting the event and making available their headquarters at North Brighton, as well as their local management expertise. Very soon after this we have 10 of our top players competing in the WCF World Championships in Cheltenham, England on 6-14 August.

### ***President's Eights in Adelaide***

The dates for this year's President's Eights are Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec to Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2005. We thank the South Australian Croquet Association and the clubs involved, North Adelaide, Norwood and South Terrace/ SA Headquarters for again agreeing to host this event. Because of the desire to have all games in all the Eights on single courts so that there is no double banking it is not easy locate these sort of facilities that do not already have other commitments. I am sure that all players as well as the ACA appreciate the cooperation of South Australia.

### ***Update on entries - Worlds in August***

The following is an update on the players available to play in the 10th WCF World Association Croquet Championships to be held at Cheltenham, England, from 6<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> August 2005 with matches also being played at Bristol, Edgbaston (Birmingham) and Nailsea.

Ken Bald, Trevor Bassett, Kevin Beard, Max Donati, Ian Dumergue, Simon Hockey, Alan Sands, Les Watson, Mark Prater.

Reserves are Stephen Forster, Stephen Richards, John Hardy, Liz Fleming.  
Players unavailable are Martin Clarke, Bruce Fleming, Ian Bassett, Helene Thurston.  
One further player is to be added to make up our 10 allocated places.

***ACA Events Manager - position vacant***

The ACA is keen to hear from any experienced player/administrator who would be interested in taking on the position of ACA Events Manager. Unfortunately Geof and Jacky McDonald have resigned from the position. The following arrangements have been made concerning the next ACA tournaments:

Australian Championships -- Open Doubles and Open Singles -- to be at the Sunshine Coast, (Headquarters at Caloundra) Queensland, 24 Sept to 2nd October 2005. Entries and preparation of the draw for these events will be handled by Gary Fox.

National Handicap Tournament at Rich River on 15-21 October 2005. Entries and organisation of the draw and program will be handled by Creina Dawson

National Golf Croquet Tournament at Deniliquin on 24 to 28 Oct 2005. Entries and organisation of the draw and program of events will be handled by Valerie Lefel.

***Format for Open Doubles and Singles***

***Format for Men's and Women's Singles***

Please refer to attached.

***Ranking List***

The attached Ranking List is the latest listing derived from the world rankings.

## Future Program

### National and International Calendar 2005--2006

EVENT	VENUE	DATE
Australia A versus New Zealand A	Melbourne	6-7-8 May 2005
WCF 10 <sup>th</sup> World Association Croquet Championships	Cheltenham England	6-14 August 2005
Australian Championships (Doubles & Open Singles)	Queensland Sunshine Coast	24 Sept - 2 Oct 2005
Meeting of State Presidents	Caloundra Sunshine Coast	Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> Oct 2005
ACA Executive Meeting	Caloundra	4-5 Oct 2005
Australian Masters Games	Adelaide	7-16 Oct 2005
13 <sup>th</sup> Australian Handicap Tournament	Rich River	15-21 Oct 2005
7 <sup>th</sup> Australian Golf Croquet Tournament	Deniliquin NSW	24-28 Oct 2005
Australian Gateball Championships	Mosman CC Sydney	4-6 Nov 2005
WCF 1 <sup>st</sup> Women's Golf Croquet World Championship	Cairo, Egypt	13-20 Nov 2005
President's Eights	Adelaide	2-5 Dec 2005
WCF 7 <sup>th</sup> World Golf Croquet Championships	Hawkes Bay New Zealand	4-12 March 2006
Trans Tasman Test Series	Melbourne	24-29 April 2006
Commonwealth Games (the XV111) (no croquet, for info only)	Melbourne	15-26 March 2006
Australian Championships (Mens/Womens Singles & Interstate Cup)	Adelaide	25 March-2 April 2006 Easter Sunday 16 April
Australian Championships (Doubles & Open Singles)	NSW	August/Sept 2006 Dates tbc
World Gateball Championships	Seoul, Korea	October 2006
MacRobertson Shield	Melbourne	18 Nov - 3 Dec 2006

Terry Speers,  
ACA Secretary,  
29<sup>th</sup> April 2005

## Australian rankings at 13 March 2005

Qualification, 10 games in previous 12 months

\*\* (xx) indicates number of games played all time in system when xx is fewer than 30.

	Grade	Games	Wins	Index	%age	Peels	
1	Martin Clarke	2548	71	61	2506	85.9	20 WA
2	Trevor Bassett	2544	168	137	2571	81.5	107 VIC
3	Jocelyn Sutton	2488	23	20	2431	87.0	14 QLD
4	Harley Watts	2454	42	35	2502	83.3	22 SA
5	Ian Dumergue	2448	64	47	2502	73.4	27 WA
6	Bruce Fleming	2446	92	60	2457	65.2	23 QLD
7	Helene Thurston	2413	47	42	2424	89.4	0 WA
8	Jeff Newcombe	2408	26	16	2346	61.5	5 WA
9	Alan Sands	2382	96	67	2330	69.8	16 WA
10	Ian Bassett	2378	189	145	2436	76.7	46 VIC
11	Greg Bury	2376	10	6	2356	60.0	0 QLD
12	Simon Hockey	2360	23	11	2312	47.8	8 SA
13	Ken Bald	2349	138	95	2408	68.8	35 VIC
14	Mark Prater	2346	79	52	2424	65.8	12 SA
15	Peter Ross	2333	26	18	2324	69.2	6 WA
16	Peter Landrebe	2331	123	84	2325	68.3	25 NSW
17	Kevin Beard	2323	156	112	2338	71.8	28 VIC
18	Max Donati	2315	95	63	2199	66.3	13 QLD
19	Brett Rogers	2305	28	17	2328	60.7	1 NSW
20	Leslie Watson	2301	95	53	2265	55.8	18 QLD
21	Carl Robertson	2301	19	12	2312	63.2	2 WA
22	Greg Burnes	2271	13	9	2292	69.2	0 NSW
23	Stephen Richards	2266	81	58	2305	71.6	2 NSW
24	Allan Cleland	2250	21	15	2219	71.4	7 VIC
25	John Hardy	2247	105	67	2257	63.8	8 QLD
26	Leigh Herington	2234	48	38	2308	79.2	4 TAS
27	Albert Rutten	2227	44	25	2271	56.8	0 SA
28	Liz Fleming	2226	119	68	2175	57.1	20 QLD
29	Simon Watkins	2207	82	49	2232	59.8	1 VIC
30	Ashley Faulkner	2193	41	20	2087	48.8	2 VIC
31	Chloe Aberley	2164	107	73	2212	68.2	7 NSW
32	Steve Jones	2161	12	8	2148	66.7	1 QLD
33	Bryan Dawson	2145	85	51	2185	60.0	4 SA
34	Stephen Forster	2136	63	30	2095	47.6	13 VIC
35	Mark Senior	2136	66	34	2177	51.5	5 SA
36	Ernie Melville	2131	85	52	2113	61.2	2 QLD
37	George Latham	2126	62	33	2154	53.2	7 VIC
38	Ross Marshall	2122	48	27	2139	56.2	0 WA
39	Blaise Northey	2121	23	9	2013	39.1	1 VIC
40	Tony Hall	2118	136	81	2069	59.6	17 ACT
41	Greg Rowberry	2114	99	54	2134	54.5	3 SA
42	Greg Whymark	2102	42	25	2079	59.5	1 QLD
43	Steve Ketelaars	2101	47	25	2074	53.2	9 VIC
44	Jan Murdoch	2096	102	62	2064	60.8	0 QLD
45	Dennis Faggotter	2079	71	44	2077	62.0	0 NSW
46	Leigh Harvey	2075	31	16	1976	51.6	1 QLD
47	Dean Paterson	2072	48	21	1994	43.8	3 SA

48	Steve Harden	2071	58	27	2094	46.6	2	NSW
49	Steve Meatheringham	2065	57	35	2029	61.4	3	ACT
50	Chris Prater	2056	77	40	1972	51.9	2	SA
51	Rosemary Graham	2054	120	70	2055	58.3	3	NSW
52	Chris Borlase	2053	40	20	1996	50.0	6	SA
53	John Philpott	2051	106	53	2006	50.0	1	QLD
54	Shirley Carr	2046	73	42	2006	57.5	2	SA
55	Creina Dawson	2045	140	78	2050	55.7	1	SA
56	Miranda Morgan	2040	68	42	2118	61.8	0	VIC
57	Margaret Melville	2040	132	82	2081	62.1	2	QLD
58	Gill Schupelius	2036	57	31	2079	54.4	2	SA
59	Claire Gorton	2028	92	52	2051	56.5	2	NSW
60	Colin Chynoweth	2027	15	10	2067	66.7	0	WA
61	Evelyn Rowsell	2023	14	9	1987	64.3	0	SA
62	John Eddes	2020	59	38	1989	64.4	0	NSW
63	Jonathan Bowen	2019	91	53	1992	58.2	1	NSW
64	Ted Singleton	2013	61	30	1986	49.2	1	QLD
65	Lois Kirk	2003	45	29	2033	64.4	3	VIC
66	Neil Bonnar	1989	38	20	2012	52.6	0	SA
67	Roger Buddle	1988	89	45	1951	50.6	6	SA
68	Ray Howell	1976	38	17	2030	44.7	4	SA
69	David Shipston	1973	23	11	1969	47.8	0	VIC
70	Nick Chapman	1969	48	27	1971	56.2	3	NSW
71	Nick Macoun	1969	41	22	1891	53.7	1	NSW
72	Judy Wembridge	1966	40	26	2008	65.0	0	VIC
73	Larissa Ketelaars	1951	70	32	1942	45.7	1	VIC
74	Bruce Mitchell	1948	12	3	1861	25.0	0	QLD
75	Eric Miller	1945	84	44	1982	52.4	1	VIC
76	Robert Bartholomaeus	1944	20	12	1944	60.0	0	NSW
77	Willi Silk	1912	75	42	1911	56.0	1	QLD
78	Jim Curtis	1911	75	33	1849	44.0	0	SA
79	Andrew Osborne	1910	34	21	1938	61.8	0	SA
80	Betty Belz	1906	91	54	1894	59.3	0	QLD
81	Graham Scott	1904	68	38	1850	55.9	0	NSW
82	Irene Wardell-Johnson	1901	16	9	1909	56.2	0	WA
83	Graeme Gallus	1899	81	37	1829	45.7	1	VIC
84	James Carlisle	1893	15	4	1796	26.7	0	NSW
85	Roy Bryant	1888	20	11	1869	55.0	0	NSW
86	Kenn Boal	1873	80	42	1861	52.5	1	VIC
87	Charlotte Morgan	1873	82	38	1951	46.3	0	SA
88	Don Close	1872	33	10	1853	30.3	0	QLD
89	Bob Hutchinson	1858	42	16	1845	38.1	0	TAS
90	Vinko Mestrovic	1857	71	28	1902	39.4	0	QLD
91	Lorraine Le Blang	1855	53	32	1851	60.4	0	NSW
92	John Levick	1853	24	9	1735	37.5	0	NSW
93	Doug Amey	1847	35	13	1823	37.1	0	SA
94	Peter Tavender	1842	32	16	1858	50.0	0	ACT
95	John Ballantyne	1838	44	24	1814	54.5	0	NSW
96	Gloria Howell	1817	33	15	1873	45.5	0	SA
97	Adrian Masterman-Smith	1814	30	17	1841	56.7	2	VIC
98	Gary Fox	1809	23	5	1737	21.7	0	TAS
99	Gordon Porter	1808	24	11	1815	45.8	0	VIC
100	Christine Pont	1802	69	34	1819	49.3	0	NSW
101	John Byers	1801	57	24	1786	42.1	0	NSW

102	Jim Finemore	1797	23	10	1896	43.5	0	QLD
103	Geof McDonald	1794	82	35	1762	42.7	0	NSW
104	Ann Crow	1789	39	17	1759	43.6	1	VIC
105	Tricia Devlin	1788	117	61	1807	52.1	0	VIC
106	Garry O'Dell	1785	37	17	1772	45.9	0	NSW
107	Judy Evans	1783	67	34	1833	50.7	0	VIC
108	David Ward	1778	40	18	1786	45.0	0	WA
109	Joan Ferguson	1777	16	3	1736	18.8	0	SA
110	Owen Edwards	1769	12	3	1758	25.0	0	VIC
111	Michael Bidencepe	1765	30	16	1794	53.3	0	NSW
112	Anna Miller	1736	131	59	1734	45.0	1	VIC
113	Hazel Lloyd	1736	22	14	1705	63.6	0	TAS
114	Barbara Wheelhouse	1735	39	18	1735	46.2	0	VIC
115	Robyn Stock	1732	91	42	1799	46.2	0	QLD
116	Sue Beattie	1730	60	23	1693	38.3	0	TAS
117	Judith Faulkner	1728	12	4	1707	33.3	0	WA
118	Greg Diprose	1722	12	5	1739	41.7	0	ACT
119	Mike Walker	1721	24	2	1574	8.33	0	NSW
120	Mac Macdonald	1714	11	2	1645	18.2	0	ACT
121	Neil Hartley	1710	47	26	1699	55.3	0	NSW
122	Chris McWhirter	1708	57	34	1672	59.6	3	WA
123	Claire Bamford	1705	85	35	1732	41.2	0	TAS
124	Bernie Gleeson	1705	34	9	1667	26.5	0	QLD
125	Peter Block	1704	12	4	1715	33.3	0	VIC
126	Jim Neale	1703	41	23	1660	56.1	0	QLD
127	Kevin Geyer	1702	17	5	1706	29.4	0	NSW
128	Rob McAdam	1700	54	17	1684	31.5	0	TAS
129	Ray Lakeman	1697	16	8	1716	50.0	0	SA
130	Vince Carbery	1696	38	11	1649	28.9	0	QLD
131	Bill Turner	1694	21	8	1726	38.1	0	WA
132	Penny Krstev	1693	58	26	1660	44.8	0	VIC
133	Eric Ayling	1689	27	21	1713	77.8	0	WA ** (27)
134	Roger Bird	1683	39	11	1603	28.2	0	VIC
135	Rob Mundy	1678	16	8	1649	50.0	0	VIC
136	John Gilhooly	1669	55	21	1625	38.2	0	NSW
137	Doron Gunzburg	1666	50	22	1611	44.0	0	VIC
138	Christopher Wilson	1665	22	9	1645	40.9	0	ACT
139	Terry Ericson	1663	12	2	1629	16.7	0	QLD
140	Nerida Taylor	1655	23	9	1703	39.1	0	ACT
141	Kate Fox	1648	84	30	1647	35.7	0	TAS
142	Graham Doig	1640	12	3	1597	25.0	0	QLD
143	Peter Rich	1639	53	14	1658	26.4	0	TAS
144	Pam Gentle	1636	43	20	1665	46.5	0	NSW
145	Carl Perrin	1632	40	23	1660	57.5	0	WA
146	Doug Richmond	1628	11	5	1670	45.5	0	NSW
147	Elizabeth Allen	1624	43	17	1630	39.5	0	VIC
148	Graeme Morrison	1614	22	5	1628	22.7	0	VIC
149	Helen Philpott	1611	41	13	1590	31.7	0	QLD
150	Peter Presneill	1608	13	5	1600	38.5	0	QLD
151	Brian Reither	1603	30	12	1639	40.0	0	VIC
152	Terry Speers	1598	40	9	1564	22.5	0	WA
153	Mike Finch	1596	15	8	1592	53.3	0	QLD
154	Marie Calthorpe	1592	27	7	1617	25.9	0	VIC
155	Stewart Johnston	1590	16	5	1556	31.2	0	NSW ** (29)

156	Russ Shellie	1584	17	9	1703	52.9	0	VIC **	(20)
157	Harley Grattan	1584	11	2	1579	18.2	0	ACT	
158	Peter Stevenson	1584	26	9	1609	34.6	0	QLD	
159	Lo Hearne	1578	25	5	1551	20.0	0	NSW	
160	Graham Nichols	1577	19	5	1524	26.3	0	TAS	
161	Richard Smith	1577	18	9	1650	50.0	0	QLD **	(18)
162	Bill Blaikie	1569	13	4	1604	30.8	0	NSW	
163	Keith McLeod	1567	21	5	1573	23.8	0	VIC	
164	Maxwell Wiltshire	1567	33	10	1579	30.3	0	NSW	
165	Nigel Harland	1557	13	8	1631	61.5	0	VIC **	(13)
166	Pamela Hamilton	1552	63	19	1531	30.2	0	TAS	
167	Lesley Smith	1552	19	5	1538	26.3	0	QLD	
168	Merle Barber	1540	52	19	1512	36.5	0	WA	
169	Margaret Gunn	1524	39	11	1504	28.2	0	VIC	
170	Gladys Thompson	1522	14	4	1535	28.6	0	VIC	
171	Gwen Anderson	1521	68	24	1469	35.3	0	WA	
172	Wilma Bonnar	1518	21	6	1537	28.6	0	SA **	(21)
173	Joy Makepeace	1508	76	23	1496	30.3	0	VIC	
174	Ray Irlam	1501	23	8	1502	34.8	0	VIC **	(23)
175	Linda Thomas	1500	25	9	1466	36.0	0	TAS	
176	Di Cook	1497	23	6	1463	26.1	0	WA **	(23)
177	Ken Edwards	1490	65	13	1457	20.0	0	NSW	
178	Jenny Burns	1489	10	4	1451	40.0	0	WA **	(10)
179	Brian Hadley	1488	26	13	1518	50.0	0	WA	
180	Bob Beattie	1479	55	11	1452	20.0	0	TAS	
181	Olga Lindon	1472	20	2	1435	10.0	0	WA	
182	Betty Lewis	1467	12	1	1440	8.33	0	QLD **	(12)
183	Eileen Irlam	1467	25	7	1480	28.0	0	VIC **	(25)
184	Andrew Strath	1467	11	4	1407	36.4	0	WA **	(11)
185	Jean Golding	1463	16	3	1443	18.8	0	VIC **	(16)
186	Greg Freeman	1462	28	7	1473	25.0	0	VIC	
187	Bill Roy	1457	18	4	1447	22.2	0	WA	
188	Kath Harrison	1454	17	4	1403	23.5	0	QLD	
189	Jacquie Ashby	1448	15	6	1449	40.0	0	WA	
190	Tim Murphy	1441	26	5	1390	19.2	0	NSW **	(26)
191	Wendy Davidson	1435	14	3	1423	21.4	0	NSW	
192	Guna Verdi	1427	12	4	1378	33.3	0	WA **	(18)
193	Helen Eagle	1426	55	19	1411	34.5	0	WA	
194	Roger Bowles	1404	32	3	1327	9.38	0	TAS	
195	Wendy Prendiville	1402	28	10	1472	35.7	0	WA **	(28)
196	Clare Burke	1399	11	4	1430	36.4	0	QLD **	(15)
197	Patrick Hooker	1399	11	4	1414	36.4	0	WA	
198	Snow Evans	1398	17	4	1438	23.5	0	VIC	
199	Lorraine Singleton	1396	23	2	1386	8.70	0	QLD	
200	Liz Hoare	1396	50	12	1445	24.0	0	VIC	
201	Margaret Burke	1393	11	0	1341	0.00	0	NSW	
202	Sandra Stevenson	1384	22	6	1379	27.3	0	WA **	(22)
203	Carol O'Dell	1372	11	3	1423	27.3	0	NSW	
204	Kay Higginson	1358	11	4	1399	36.4	0	WA	
205	Vic Gleeson	1345	14	2	1362	14.3	0	NSW	
206	Lowen Clarke	1292	13	0	1248	0.00	0	VIC	
207	Jan Gunzburg	1276	32	1	1237	3.12	0	VIC	

