



## March 2022 Monthly Report from the Committee

### • Easing Covid Restrictions

After two years of frequently changing covid restrictions we now have:

- No QR check-in at the clubhouse (the signs will be left in place for a while)
- No density limits
- Masks need not be worn.

Members are reminded to stay away from the club if they have cold or flu-like symptoms or have had close contact with a confirmed covid-19 case.

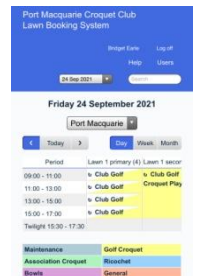
Thank you all for your co-operation in following the ever-changing restrictions placed over the last two years.

Hopefully, we can now move on to a relatively normal life.

### • On-line booking

The croquetbooking.com on-line booking system is brilliant. Members have adapted very well to registering or deleting play.

Thank you Tim for setting up and maintaining this site for us.

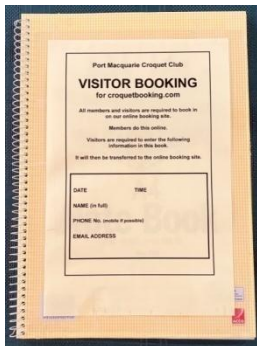


### • Registering Visitors to the Club

Tim also needs to register visitors to the club – ie **all** non-members. The book for entering information on visitors, when they first visit the club, will be kept with the blue sign-on book.

Information required:

- Date and time
- Name in full
- Phone number (mobile preferred)
- Email address



### • End of Daylight Saving

Daylight saving ends on Sunday 3 April.

Twilight golf croquet on Tuesday afternoons will then start at 3:30 p.m.



### • Golf Croquet Competitions in March and April

- The Over 80s competition on Thursdays 10 and 17 March
- The MNCCC match against Forster at Forster on Friday 1 April
- \*The MNCCC match against Gloucester at Taree on Sunday 10 April (PM host)
- Division 3 Singles Championship on Thursdays 14 and 21 April

- **Association Croquet Competitions in March and April**

- **Handicap Singles** - in progress.
- **Division 4 Championship** – will start in March
- **Division 3 Championship** – will start in April
- **Handicap Doubles Competition** – will be started during March
- **\*MNCCC match against Taree/Gloucester at Taree on Friday 8 April (PM host)**
- **\*MNCCC match against Forster at Port Macquarie on Wednesday 27 April**

\*when we are the host club our players provide morning and afternoon tea (sweet or savoury cakes and slices). The captain takes tea, coffee, sugar and milk when we are the host club at Taree. Players provide their own lunch.



- **Ricochet squad**

Most of the ricochet players are new to the game. They are preparing for the MNCCC Inter-Club matches against both Forster (on Saturday 14 May) and the combined Gloucester/Taree team (on Sunday 3 April).

It is a steep learning curve – they are making very good progress.



- **Defibrillator**

The defibrillator will be kept inside the clubhouse. Before each session it is to be moved out onto the table on the verandah for the duration of that session. It will then be returned to the clubhouse.

This process has worked well – thank you for your co-operation.



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- **Hydration**

During the warmer weather it is very important to keep well hydrated. It is good to see most members with their own water bottle. A hat and sunscreen are also advisable. A wet towel or neck-tie worn around the neck can help to keep you cool.

- **Membership of the Westport Club**

For many years the Westport Club has supported our club. As well as financial donations most of our indoor and outdoor furniture was donated when they upgraded their club. This year they will again give us money for equipment and maintenance. We encourage our members to become social members of the Westport Club, at minimal cost, and enjoy their facilities.

- **Vale**

This is a sad month for our club. Jimmy Watson discovered croquet after moving to Port Macquarie 18 months ago and loved the game. Olive Bowly also loved the game and was admired by all who knew her.



Stay safe.

Bridget Earle (President)