

Port Macquarie Croquet Club

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October 2026 Newsletter

Please note the following official email addresses for PMCC

President Tony – president@portmacquarietroquet.com.au

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Treasurer Graeme – treasurer@portmacquarietroquet.com.au

Snippets from the October Committee meeting, minutes are on the notice board for your perusal

- Tony is still working hard with PMHC to finalise the last of the hiccups in getting the license agreement signed off.
- The phase 3 test and tag work has been completed.
- Allstar Mowing has submitted their resignation and negotiations are taking place for a replacement.
- Mid North Coast Hub offered GC coaching at Port Macquarie
- A general meeting of all members will be held on Tuesday 17 November at 9:00am in the clubhouse.

Approved

- An award for Club Person of the Year and surprise awards determined by the So Fun group
- Visitors are allowed 6 visits before becoming members of the club.
- Christmas celebration and presentation of club awards will be held on Thursday 3 December.
- Oxley Travel hire of facilities on Saturday 19 December from 4:00pm.
- The term deposit has matured with interest of \$381 earned. A new term deposit for \$20,000 has been approved.
- Purchase of a dishwasher as current one was beyond economical repair.

NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETING FOR ALL MEMBERS

Tuesday 17 November at 9:00am in the clubhouse

Please send agenda items to secretary@portmacquarietroquet.com.au

All members are invited to the
Presentation of Club Awards and Christmas Celebrations
Thursday 3 December 2026
At 9:00am
In the club house

Club Person of the Year Award

The Club Person of The Year Award recognises a club member who has dedicated behind-the-scenes service, reliability and spirit, in a voluntary capacity during the year for the overall benefit of the club and its members. The Club Person of The Year is someone who has made a REAL difference to the Club in that time.

The committee has approved a new award – “Club Person of the Year “

1. For the [2026 Award](#) we invite members to nominate ONE member who they feel is worthy of this award and include a brief overview (50 words or less) of their service to the club during 2026.
2. Nominations, including the overview, should be emailed to secretary@portmacquaricroquet.com.au by 5.00pm on Tuesday 17th November
3. These nominations, including the overview, will be emailed to all members by Thursday 19th November 2026.
4. Members can then **vote on one nominee** by email to secretary@portmacquaricroquet.com.au
5. Voting closes on Monday 30th November 2026

Votes will be confidential and counted by the Secretary and one other club member and the winning Nominee announced at the Awards on 3rd December 2026

Please contact Pam on 0403 412 284 or secretary@portmacquaricroquet.com.au if you have any queries.

Don't forget the Golf Croquet Carnival

Tuesday 20 to Thursday 22 October

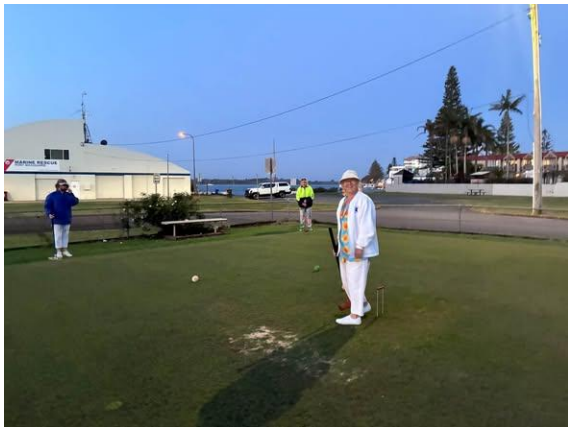
There will be 120 games played over 3 days starting at 8:00 am each day. Wednesday is "mufti" day and players and volunteers are encouraged to add to the colour and atmosphere of the carnival.

It is a great opportunity for members to get involved, meet players from other clubs and watch some games, we have 24 players coming from 12 different clubs within NSW.

Some members enjoyed the hospitality of the Wild Fig Carnival at Taree and the Sawtell Fun Day



SoFun News



- ❖ 14 people enjoyed the Spring Fling on Saturday 26 September partaking of ham and cheese croissants before hitting off for a pleasant afternoon of croquet. Lucky door prize donated by Judy Avenell won by Donna Sinclair
- ❖ Sunday mingles on October 25 with a sausage sizzle (again see the flyer at the end of the newsletter for details)
- ❖ We are seeking suggestions for an event during Seniors Week in March 2027
- ❖ A big birthday bash is coming up in 2028 to

celebrate the clubs 75th birthday – how shall we celebrate??

- ❖ And the **BIG** news is that the SoFun group will be handing out some surprise special awards at the Presentation of Awards and Christmas Celebration on 3 December 2026



The painting of the clubhouse and the gutter replacement has been completed. Thanks to Holster Painting Contractors and BJ Crowley Plumbing for their professional and excellent workmanship in carrying out these jobs. There was minimum disruption to play other than moving the barrier in front of the clubhouse and moving the starting point on lawn 1 on Tuesday morning. How soon we forget which way to go around the hoops!!.

Unfortunately we were not able to get the window on the verandah fixed prior to painting but it is on the list to get done.

Port Macquarie club hosted the Jim Hicks GC challenge against Uralla with Port Macquarie coming out the winners after some very close games. The late Jim Hicks was a member of both Uralla and Port Macquarie clubs where he contributed in many ways in officiating at both clubs along with hours in coaching players. I notice his name on the honours board for being AC and GC club champion.



MNCCC News



The district championships between Gloucester, Forster Taree and Port Macquarie have been held with Port Macquarie members achieving good results.

Some great games of AC played by all. Steve Scrimgeour won Division 2. Peter Long (Forster) won Division 3 against Carol Cate and Jill Drury won division 4.

In ricochet Steve Scrimgeour (Port Macquarie) won the division 2 and Penny Jude (Forster) division 3.

The GC contest is a team's event with Singles and Doubles round robins being played in each division. With Port Macquarie winning overall the three divisions.

There were only 2 teams in Division 1. Steve Scrimgeour won his 3 games against Wal Wallington in the singles. In the doubles Andrew Bissex and Peter Long won their 3 games against Tony Croft and Sue Moss. At 3 games each Port Macquarie won by 1 net hoop.

4 teams played in Division 2. The Port Macquarie team of Stewart Sinclair, Jill Drury and Bridget Earle won their 6 games (2 of them 7 - 6). The Forster team of Grahame Banck and Ricky Fittock were runners-up with 3 wins.

There were also 4 teams in Division 3. The Port Macquarie team of Robyn Clarke, Donna Sinclair and Jill Sargeant won 4 games. The runners-up were Forster with Doug Feillon, Barbra Wilson and Robyn Roberts winning 3 games.

The MNCCC Christmas luncheon is being hosted at Port Macquarie on Sunday 13 December and is restricted to 10 members from each club.



Happy birthday wishes to members celebrating a birthday in October and November

Get well wishes also to those members who are not feeling well, we miss you at croquet so hope you are back soon.

If you know of a member who is not well and needs cheering up please contact our welfare office Judith on 0417 135 115



Happy hooping

Pam



The Mingle is back!



SoFun invites members to our monthly mingle on the 4th Sunday of the month.

Kick off our first mingle Sunday October 25

Croquet from 3pm followed by a mingle and a munch 🍕

\$5 a sizzle paid on the day

Book online

BYO alcohol and nibbles if desired

Tea and coffee supplied

Cans of soft drink \$2 each



Daylight saving months only