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# Sawtell Croquet News



July 2025

## From the President's Desk

Hello everyone,

I would like to thank all those that took part in GC Singles Championship. Congratulations to division winners, Greg Kenny, John Veness and Graeme King.

The NSW Ricochet Championship had a poor turnout, but the competition between players was fierce.

Our first State of Origin day went well. Thanks to the members of the social committee.

Keep an eye out for dates of the upcoming coaching days.

Sunday Sausage Sizzle will start last Sunday of the month (weather permitting), open to all codes.

As always, Jamie.

**Coming up....**

**social event**

## **Soup in July**



Winter lunch special

**Pumpkin soup, vegetable minestrone**  
**and pea and ham soup**  
with crusty bread.

**Monday 14th July**

**\$10** (includes green fees)

Suitable for vegetarians and gluten free diet.

**Coming up....**

**social event**

## **Step into Spring**

Monday 1st September



Come and play croquet  
and enjoy a BBQ lunch.

**\$10** (includes green fees)

Suitable for gluten free diet.

# May Monthly Mallet winners

Golf Croquet - Michael Nealand  
Ricochet Croquet- Gaylene Humphries  
Association Croquet - Kay Munro

## State of Origin Battle NSW

Cronulla rug winner  
Peter Waters

Footy Doubles - \$100



Jenny Charnock

*Welcome* to our new members

**Bob Roycroft and Kay Elliott.**

Enjoy your croquet and the friendships the club has to offer.

Coutts Crossing CNSW Regional Hub is continuing

**Association Croquet Workshops**

**July 9th 12.30pm - 2.30pm**

at Sawtell Croquet Club

email: [garry5751@gmail.com](mailto:garry5751@gmail.com)

Registration essential

# Helpful Reminders

Due to chemicals used on the courts, members should be vigilant in washing their hands between games.



If paying by cash, please remember to bring the correct daily green fee money.



## Talking To....

Ronda Gartrell

Where were you born and where have you lived?

I was born at Darlinghurst NSW and have lived in Camden, Dapto and Toormina.

Tell us about your working life.

I started with a business course at college, then after having two children I worked in aged care until we moved to Toormina.

What other sports have you played?

Vigaro at school, tennis, lawn bowls and indoor bowls.

Do you have a hobby?

Knitting.

Where is your favourite holiday destination?

Mackay Qld

What book or movie have you enjoyed?

Too many books to list.

## Talking To....

Bob Beattie

Where were you born and where have you lived?

Narrandera, Gosford, Windsor, Glen Innes, Rabaul, Sydney, Lapstone, Mulgoa, Walcha and Coffs Harbour.

Tell us about your working life.

Working on the land, timber industry, copra & cocoa plantations, rural real estate.

What other sports have you played?

Cricket, tennis, fishing and hunting.

Do you have a hobby?

Gardening, fishing, croquet, painting (art), furniture making and cooking.

Where is your favourite holiday destination?

Anywhere away from the cities.

What book or movie have you enjoyed?

Adventure stories and films.

Visit our club website

[sawtellcroquetclub.com.au](http://sawtellcroquetclub.com.au)

for valuable information on all aspects of our club.

Not sure about anything? The website is a valuable source of information including rule changes, coaching, events, many how-to-play videos plus much more.

Managed by Lyn Hastings.

**FOR SALE**

**Sawtell Croquet Club name badges.**

**\$8**

Contact Jenny Arnold to order.

Mob: 0411 197 452

# Croquet State of Origin Battle



on lookers



Running a try winners  
Lyn NSW  
Bill QLD



State of Origin  
running try battle



Bill converted the  
running try - double  
points for Qld



NSW supporters



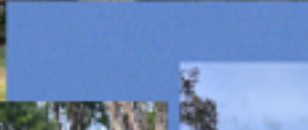
goal kicking



Winners are grinners



sunning in the shed waiting for hit off

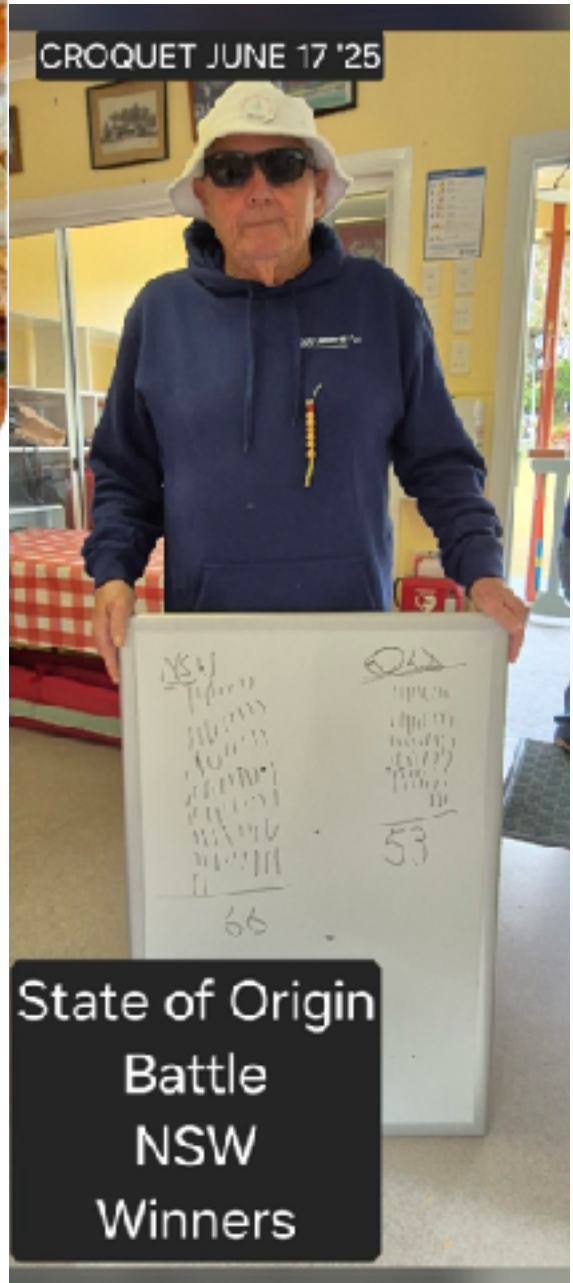




State of Origin delicious food



Thanks to the Social Committee for a fun filled day on the croquet court. Special thanks to Maree for her cakes, Janelle for the fruit platter and Debbie for the delicious home made mini sausage rolls.



On the day the **NSW team** sadly out numbered **Qld and the Rest of the World team**, but with a little fudging of the points, Qld and the Rest of the World made a galant effort to stay in touch with the leaders.

***Congratulations***  
to NSW who were  
declared the winners!

# Working Bee



Warning: This garden is known to cause spontaneous giggles and mild twerking.

Thank you volunteers.



general maintenance  
gardening  
painting  
cleaning  
gutter maintenance  
windows

## **NSW Division 2 Singles Ricochet Croquet Championship** was contested on the weekend of 21st June.

Play began early on Friday morning, with three days of sunshine and calm weather setting the stage for a series of tightly fought games.

Defending champion, Phyllis Waters from Lismore, showed her strength early, confidently ricocheting through the preliminary rounds to secure top spot in the draw.

The final was the best-of-three clash between Ms Waters and Sawtell hopeful, Kay Munro.

Ms Waters' consistent rocquets proved decisive as she claimed victory in the final match, 11-5, to retain her title.

"To come back and compete was hard, but keeping cool was the key to the consistent play needed to take out the win," she said.

Representing NSW Croquet, tournament director Jenny Arnold was delighted with the weekend's event.

"Hosting a State Championship is a welcome addition to the Sawtell Croquet calendar, as it provides high-level play for our club members to watch and learn from," she said. "Hopefully members can include some of these strategies in their repertoire."

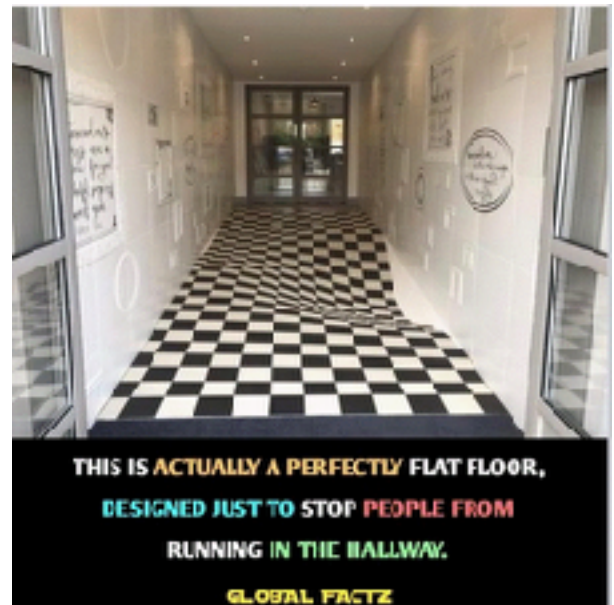
In the playoff for third and fourth place, Maurice Aplin from Orange played a calm and calculated game to secure third position, while Peter Deeth from Coutts Crossing finished in a commendable fourth place.

The weekend was a showcase of competitive spirit and sportsmanship, with players and spectators alike enjoying the lively atmosphere on the courts.

Report by Lyn Hastings - Coffs Coast News Of The Area, Friday 27th June.



## Interesting!!



# Thank You to Sponsors

This month we feature 'Beauty on the Promenade', located at 3 Murdoch St, Coffs Harbour. "What a beautiful setting where you can relax and pamper yourself." The club extends its appreciation to Tilly and Kate.



**Win \$150** 'Beauty on the Promenade' voucher

**\$2 per ticket**

or

**3 tickets for \$5**

Drawn 1st September

# Sawtell Golf Croquet Singles Championship 2025

Division 1

Winner - **Greg Kenny**

Runner-up - **Gaylene Humphries**



Division 2

Winner - **John Veness**

Runner-up - **Michael Nealand**



Division 3

Winner - **Graeme King**

Runner-up - **Nerida King**

# What is Sunday Social Sizzle Session?

Come and enjoy casual croquet, commencing at 10am on the last Sunday of the month.

All three codes of croquet will be played, followed by a sizzling BBQ. \$7 includes BBQ.

Come and see what it is all about from **10am Sunday 27th July**.  
(weather permitting)

## *Invitation Woolgoolga Croquet Club*

**GC Friendly Day  
Thursday 24th July**

**PACE (Player And Coach Education) Session**

**for Golf Croquet  
10.30 Tuesday July 29th**

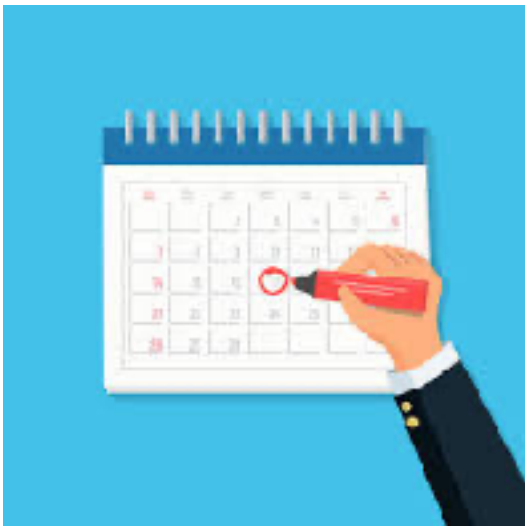
Don't miss this valuable opportunity to improve your golf croquet skills.

**Coach: Simon Cook**

# FOR SALE

1 x 36" mallet with carry bag  
1 x long sleeve white shirt (L)  
1 x wind cheater (XL)

*Mark your  
Calendar*



Association Croquet  
Workshop  
Wednesday 9th July

Soup in July  
Monday 14th July

GC Friendly Day  
at Woolgoolga  
Thursday 24th July

Sunday Social Sizzle Session  
Sunday 27th July

PACE Coaching Session  
Tuesday 29th July

AGM  
Monday 4th August  
11.30am

Step into Spring  
Monday 1st September

'Beauty on the Promenade'  
raffle winner announced  
Monday 1st September