

# PARAPARAUMU CROQUET CLUB Newsletter

## Welcome to New Members

We have welcomed several new members to the Club over the last few months and it is pleasing to see them on the lawns enjoying their croquet. Subscriptions have been paid and Membership numbers can now be been confirmed for the season. I am also attaching updated members' list for your information. If any details are incorrect could you please advise me. New members will be contacted in due course for inclusion on club rosters for cleaning, lawn marking and lawn mowing.

The lawns are pretty full on Saturdays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. If you want to come on a quieter day Fridays and Sundays are also available for play and usually a lot quieter – please see the programme for details. If you don't have a programme there are a few spares in the clubrooms and details can also be found on the website.

We are looking to have twilight play on Fridays, however the weather has not yet warmed up enough for this. Hopefully closer to Christmas or early in the New Year we will be able to programme twilight croquet. Will keep you informed.

#### **Competition Updates**

Games are well under way for Allan and Mazengarb Cups. A reminder to those who still have games to play that these should be completed by early December. Details are on the noticeboard.

Sunday Interclub rounds are now complete and finals to be played over next couple of weeks. At this stage I don't have any results. Wednesday Interclub rounds still being played with finals later this month.

Denise has recently sent out a reminder to members to get their entries in for the following tournaments:

WCA hcp singles to be played on Thursday/Friday 17/18 November – contact <u>kmee.club.captain@gmail.com</u>

Manawatu Exchange – entries close 23 November. Date to be played 4 December. Contact <u>amckenzie53@gmail.com</u>

Metlifecare GC Doubles. Entries close 1 December. Date to be played 10 December and if postponed 11 December. Contact <u>lcarmichael109@gmail.com</u>

Other tournaments open to members in both GC and Association can be found on the noticeboard and website. <u>https://paraparaumucroquetclub.weebly.com</u>

#### **Congratulations!!**

Anne McKenzie has recently gained the NZCA Senior Referee Qualification. I am sure you will all join with me to congratulate Anne on her achievement.

Congratulations also to Jessica Bullen and Nathan Bullen for their selection to compete in U21 GC Worlds taking place in Bay of Plenty in February 2023.

# Committee Update

Some of you will have noticed our new computer and printer. Thanks to Bob McKenzie and Bill for arranging purchase and installation. We hope this purchase will assist tournament organisation and recordkeeping at our Club.

The Clubrooms are looking very smart now with our new blinds. A decision is pending on whether we purchase more for the windows on the southern side. Thanks to Pat and Elaine for arranging purchase.

The Committee also agreed that Venna Seymour approach the appropriate staff at KCDC for information on how to progress a request to have a 5<sup>th</sup> lawn at PCC incorporated in long term Council plans for upgrading sporting facilities in our area. With the increasing population current facilities will be inadequate in future years. The Committee felt it was a good idea to bring Council's attention to this future need.

Darrin from Wellington Free Ambulance is offering free CPR (Heartbeat) training session on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November 10.30am-12.00pm at the croquet clubrooms. Please contact Liz Pfahlert if you are able to attend <u>lizpfgahlert@gmail.com</u>. There is also a list in the clubrooms if you are interested. Thanks to Liz for organising.

Our Christmas function will be held at the Clubrooms on Saturday, 17 December. Further details will be available closer to the date.

### Club Keys

Members are able to apply for a gate key and a shed key to practise and play outside club days and when the Council is not undertaking maintenance. Please email or call Bill McCarthy <u>matai83.bm@gmail.com</u> if you would like to apply for keys. There is a charge to cover costs. Any member who has a set of keys and no longer needs them are asked to hand them in so as they can be reallocated.

#### Reminder to support Sponsors

You will note advertising hoardings displayed by our sponsors around the greens. If you need any of the services these companies offer we would encourage you to contact them as their contribution to the Club is much appreciated. Please note your membership of PCC.

Sue Dixon, Secretary 12 November 2022