



ANNUAL REPORT

2012-13

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Introduction

This report is presented to members in accordance with section 73 of the *Associations Incorporation Act 1991*.

The names of the Committee members for the year 2012/2013 were:

Nick Chapman	President
Rodney Teakle	Vice-President
Hilary White	Secretary
Tim Goodland	Treasurer
Peter Freer	Captain
Jill Jones	Committee Member
Stephen Pearce	Committee Member
Alan Honey	Committee Member

The principal activities of the Club, which have not changed during the year, are the playing of croquet by its members, and supporting and fostering the game in the community.

During the year, expenditure exceeded receipts by \$300.75 and members accumulated funds increased by \$3,133.38.



Nick Chapman
President



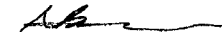
Hilary White
Secretary

Auditor's Report to the Members of the Canberra Croquet Club Incorporated

I have examined the accounts and records of the Canberra Croquet Club Incorporated and have audited the financial transactions recorded therein.

In my opinion, the Balance Sheet and Statement of Receipts and Expenditure present fairly the financial position of the Club as at 31 May 2013 and the result of its operations for the year ended on that date.

28 June 2013



Angela Baum CA

2012-13 Financial Summary

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for Year Ending 31 May 2013

RECEIPTS	
Bank Interest	2.92
Canberra Carnival	1,002.00
Coaching	450.00
Donations	495.00
Canberra Cup	1,200.00
Hiring's	6,316.78
Green Fees	336.00
Membership	15,820.00
Sales	127.50
TOTAL	25,750.20
EXPENDITURE	
Affiliation Fees	3,420.00
Bank Fees	120.76
Canberra Carnival	278.00
Cleaning and Rubbish Removal	809.57
Clubhouse Maintenance	36.09
Coaching material	0.00
Court Maintenance and Improvements	7,313.16
Canberra Cup	1,084.37
Electricity	903.51
Equipment	1,555.22
Garden Maintenance	98.93
Gratuities	855.00
Housekeeping	569.81
Insurance	2,303.66
Library, Magazines & Journals	60.00
Purchase of inventory	293.40
Postage & Stationery	92.40
Rent and Rates	3,648.39
Telephone	913.45
Trophies, Engraving and Gold Lettering	1,695.23
TOTAL	26,050.95
Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	-300.75

Balance Sheet at 31/5/13

Members' Accumulated Funds			
Represented by:			
Current Assets			
Commonwealth Bank Trading Account	10,792.29		
Commonwealth Bank Term Deposits	65,023.79		
Shop Stocks	2,776.00		
Total Current Assets			78,592.08
Fixed Assets			
Croquet and Lawn Equipment at cost	13,300.95		
Less Depreciation	8,848.58	4,452.37	
Trophies and Honour Boards	1,795.23		
Other Equipment at cost	10,373.82		
Less Depreciation	7,875.38	4,293.67	
Total Fixed Assets			8,746.04
TOTAL ASSETS			87,338.12
Current Liabilities			
Unpresented Cheques			1,509.20
NET ASSETS			85,828.92

Bank Account Details

COMMONWEALTH BANK TRADING ACCOUNT/TREASURERS ACCOUNT

Opening balance	10,097.94
2012/13 cheque o/s	94.10
Operating Surplus/(deficit)	-300.75
Transfer from Term Deposit	0.00
Transfer to Term Deposit	0.00
Unpresented cheques	1,509.20
Deposits not yet banked	420.00
Balance at 31/5/13	10,792.29

TERM DEPOSITS

Opening balance	62,584.76
Interest	2,439.03
Bank charges	0.00
Transfer from Current Account	0.00
Transfer to Current Account	0.00
Balance at 31/5/12	65,023.79

2013-14 Budget
PROPOSED BUDGET
2013-2014

Income	BUDGET
Bank Interest	\$5
Canberra Carnival	\$1,000
Coaching	\$400
Donations	\$400
Canberra Cup	\$1,000
Hiring's	\$6,000
Green Fees	\$400
Membership	\$16,000
Sales	\$300
TOTAL	\$25,505
Expenditure	BUDGET
Affiliation Fees	\$3,400
Bank Fees	\$100
Canberra Carnival	\$205
Cleaning and Rubbish Removal	\$800
Club-house maintenance	\$1,000
Coaching material	\$100
Court Improvements and maintenance	\$7,000
Canberra Cup	\$1,000
Rates and Rent	\$3,600
Telephone	\$900
Trophies, Gold Lettering & Engraving	\$1,200
TOTAL	\$25,505
Forecast Surplus/(deficit)	\$0

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President's Report

This report has been structured against the Club's Strategic Plan and incorporates contributions from the Captain, the Treasurer and other office bearers.

Recruitment and Retention

Membership

The club membership currently stands at 96 (39 females and 57 males). Of the players for whom the information was available, the majority of players remain as Association Croquet Players (just over 50), with Golf Croquet players numbering in the mid 30s and about 15 Gateball players. Of course, there are a number of people playing in two if not three of these games.

John Harris has continued his marvellous efforts co-ordinating the Come and Try afternoons on the first Sunday of the month. 79 people passed through a total of nine sessions, mostly run by John but also with the assistance of Rodney Teakle, Ben Freasier, Peter Freer, John Grattan and Hilary White.

It is pleasing to note that many new players are taking up a mixture of all mallet sports offered at the club. A significant number of people continue to play in the AC draws and the GC draws on Saturday afternoon have grown in popularity over the past 18 months.

Gateball numbers have fallen slightly, however several proposals are being considered to increase the number of Gateball players, particularly over summer in the evenings.

Coaches and Referees

The Captain reports that we have eight Association Referees, two Association Examining Referees, four Golf croquet referees and one Golf Croquet Examining Referee. Within Gateball we have six referees. Many of the AC and GC Referees were due for renewal at 30 June 2013, and a number of members intend to let their status lapse due to the difficulty of complying with the tighter regulations required by Croquet NSW. This will have serious impact on our Club, and will need to be addressed by the incoming Committee.

Five people are qualified as Association Beginner Coaches and two hold qualifications as Level 2 Coaches, although one is not renewing. There are two qualified Golf

Croquet coaches. The ACA has now advised that this is not necessary for insurance purposes to be a Beginner Coach in order to conduct beginner training, hirings, etc.

Introductory Coaching

The club conducted a number of classes for beginners during the year. Many of the beginners have gone on to become members of the club playing golf croquet, association croquet or both. Thanks to Hilary White, Peter Freer, Ben Freasier and Rodney Teakle for taking the classes.

Come and Try Association and Golf Croquet

As foreshadowed in last year's Annual Report, the committee gave consideration to the traditional Come and Try approach. It has continued to be offered but after some discussion and training with the National Coaching Coordinator, the format was altered to provide the basic of Golf Croquet and a demonstration of Association Croquet for those who show interest.

There were 25 hirings for outside groups during the year. The payments from the hirings make a significant contribution to the club's income. Thanks to the following members for assisting with the hirings: Adrienne Fazekas, Judy Tier, Jo Ireland, Rosh Ireland, Bob Gingold, Pam Cohen, Elizabeth Mountain, Jonathan Bowen, Peter Freer, Kate McLoughlin, Ben Freasier, Hilary White, Joan Pitt, Greg Diprose and Rodney Teakle.

Player Development

No formal player development was offered this year because a primary focus was on the provision of beginner training. Introducing 28 new people to the sport has been demanding on the number of available coaches.

Event Management

The Club held its two major Association Croquet tournaments, but switched their timing so that the Canberra Carnival was held over the January 2013 long weekend and the Canberra Open took place at Easter. Both ran well and attracted full fields. We thank Peter Freer and Nick Chapman for managing these respectively.

Club competitions included the Tony Hall Cup, a high/low doubles Golf Croquet competition; the Margaret Reid Trophy, a high/low doubles Association Croquet competition; and the Tavender Trophy for Doubles Gateball.

The Blackall Cup, a competition between Canberra and Queanbeyan Clubs, was held this year with Canberra winning comfortably. Queanbeyan Club has had difficulties with membership in recent years and has trouble fielding a team, but looks likely to play again in 2013/14. The Blackall Cup has a significant history having been introduced in 1979 by Dr Blackall's daughter in memory of her father.

Gateballers Gilon, Glen, Kim and Alex remain heavily involved in helping run State and Australian Championships, especially the NSW Gateball Championship at Mosman Croquet Club in December 2012.

All mallet sports catered for

The Club Calendar reflects our commitment to ensuring that each of the three sports are well entrenched, and the new Committee might want to explore the possibility of introducing Gateball as a weekday social competition. The Tony Hall Trophy gives prominence to Golf Croquet.

In 2013-14 the Committee has agreed to introduce a GC tournament to the calendar. At the time of writing plans for the tournament are being developed.

Acknowledge member contributions

Part way through this year Peter Freer compiled a list of jobs that are undertaken by Club members. The length of the list was remarkable and highlighted just how much effort is expended by volunteers to ensure the Club runs smoothly. Stocking the kitchen, marking the lines, fixing equipment, gardening, cleaning, maintenance of the website, event management, trophies, organising competitions, paying the bills, organising hirings, hosting hirings, coaching, looking after the Club calendar, maintaining the lawn, managing the affairs of the Club.... the list goes on. All these jobs are undertaken by Club members. And that doesn't include the wonderful contribution that our members make to the management of the sport at a state, national and international level through administration of the game, participating in our Club at

tournaments and other events, representing the State, or contributing services such as croquetscores.com.

On behalf of the Committee, and all Club members, sincerest thanks to all Club members who contribute to in some way to the running of the Club. Our Club simply wouldn't be the same without it.

Membership of other Croquet and Gateball organisations

Greg Diprose remains Senior Vice President of the Australian Croquet Association (ACA) and Peter Freer is Manager of Events.

Gilon Smith remains the National Director of Gateball.

Establish links with other clubs in the region

Bundanoon Croquet Club approached us for a social event during the year and a day of Golf Croquet was organised and conducted by Peter Freer. A return event has been scheduled for 4 July.

Queanbeyan has had membership and subsequent cash flow worries this year. We have had formal discussions with them on how we might be able to help, and several Canberra members have joined Queanbeyan to provide assistance.

Our Club again entered a team in NSW Div 3 GC Pennants, and after winning the Northern region up in Maitland, Canberra won for the first time. Three teams went to the South Coast Shield at Narooma (we won the GC and were second in the AC on count-back). Various members attended regional tournaments at Young, Walla Walla, Wagga & Bundanoon.

The gateballers have continued to be active in developing the sport in various clubs in NSW, in particular training a school team in Wagga Wagga.

Social Activities

Special thanks to Hilary White who this year has been the driving force behind the organised social activities undertaken by the Club.

Facility and Asset management

There is a renewed push within the Club for the installation of lights, and the incoming Committee should consider how these could be installed.

During the year I held discussions with the National Capital Authority about the Club using the Old Parliament House lawn on a permanent basis. These discussions were to progress in the coming months, however the incoming Committee should give consideration to the viability of using the lawn with the introduction of paid parking in the parliamentary triangle from mid-2014. The incoming Committee will also need to work on a solution with the ACT Government to ensure that members continue to have easy access to the Club when paid parking is introduced. We do hope the parking that is currently used by Club members is not affected.

Lawns Management

The Lawns Manager, Peter Freer, reports that the lawns had a much less rigorous renovation compared to November 2011, and were back in action soon after Christmas. The lawns are playing well but could do with more rolling. They are now dormant over winter, but are running fast albeit with issues along some boundaries.

The positive effects of the root barriers installed last year are now appearing, especially on Court 3, but there have been puzzling damp patches despite the irrigation being turned off.

Advocate and promote excellence

As usual, the Canberra Club has punched beyond its weight in competitive croquet.

It is interesting to note the strength of our Club at the pointy end of competition. At the time of writing, 5 Club members are ranked in the top 50 Australian AC players, a feat perhaps only one or two other Clubs around Australia could match.

Peter Freer played in the 2013 GC World Championship in Cairo; coming 40th. Tony Hall was unable to go, which would have made it his sixth World GC Championship.

Tim Murphy's program croquetscores.com has now been adopted widely outside Australia, and croquet fans can now follow tournaments to their heart's content.

Governance and Management

No particular governance or management issues arose during the year. The Committee has functioned well off the back of significant commitment of time and energy by its members. I would like to take this opportunity to pass on my sincerest thanks to those

involved in the Committee in 2012-13 for their hard work and commitment. The Club is a better club due to their efforts.

In conclusion, as my predecessor Elizabeth Mountain reported 12 months ago, I am happy to say the Club is in a comfortable position with a slowly growing membership base and solid financial foundations. I look forward to a successful 2013-14.

Nick Chapman

July 2013

Competition Winners 2012-13

Association Croquet

Club Champion Winner	Stephen Richards
Club Champion Runner-up	Tim Murphy
Div 4 Advanced Singles Winner	Denise McCann
Div 4 Advanced Singles Runner-up	Helen Owen
Womens Open Singles Winner	Charlotte Morgan
Womens Open Singles Runner-up	Hilary White
Handicap Singles Championship Winner	Peter Freer
Handicap Singles Championship Runner-up	Stephen Pearce
Handicap Doubles Winners	Ben Freasier & Yvonne Brereton
Handicap Doubles Runners-up	Tony Hall & Peter Freer
Veterans Handicap Singles Winner	John Harris
Veterans Handicap Singles Runner-up	Chris Wilson
President's Cup	Hilary White
Margaret Reid Trophy	Tony Hall & Sorina Atkin

Golf Croquet

Club Champion Winner 2012-2013	Glen Whitehead
Club Champion Runner-up 2012-2013	Peter Freer
Club Champion Winner 2013	Peter Freer
Club Champion Runner-up 2013	Glen Whitehead
Division 2 Singles Winner	Yvonne Grattan
Division 2 Singles Runner-up	Eddie Kowalski
Division 3 Singles Winner	Adrienne Fazekas
Division 3 Singles Runner-up	Gerda Lambeck
Handicap Singles Winner	Ben Freasier
Handicap Singles Runner-up	Greg Diprose
Handicap Doubles Winners	Yvonne Grattan & Judy Tier
Handicap Doubles Runners-up	Bob Gingold & Mary Stuart
Tony Hall Cup Winners	Tony Hall & Joan Pitt

Gateball

Tavendar Trophy Winners	Gilon Smith & Peter Freer
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Appendix A: 2012-13 Annual General Meeting Draft Minutes

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
CANBERRA CROQUET CLUB INCORPORATED
1.30 PM SATURDAY 7 July 2012
AT THE CCC CLUBHOUSE

Draft Minutes

1. Opening

The President, Elizabeth Mountain, took the chair and opened proceedings at 1:30pm by welcoming members to the 2012 Annual General Meeting of the Canberra Croquet Club (CCC) Incorporated; and inviting their attention to the agenda and associated CCC annual report.

There were 27 financial members present who signed the Attendance Book held at the clubhouse.

2. Apologies

Apologies were received from:
Margaret Bradshaw, Yvonne Brereton, Cathy Byers, John Byers, Victoria Clare, Peter Freer, Vic Gleeson, Tony Hall, Jill Jones, Lachlan Kennedy, Mac Macdonald, Denese McCann, Kate McLoughlin, Richard Meacock, Stephen Meatheringham, Tim Murphy, Stephen Richards and Nerida Taylor

3. Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held 2 July 2011

Motion: That the minutes be accepted as a correct record.
Moved: E Mountian seconded: P Hardiman- carried.

4. President's Report

The CCC 2012 Annual Report document contained the President's Report for 2011-2012, which was based on the outcomes achieved under the club's ongoing strategic plan. The President spoke to the highlights of the report and thanked all those members who had contributed to the successful operation of the club over the past twelve months. The Annual Report also contained material that was previously provided in a separate Captain's report.

Motion: That the President's Report be accepted.
Moved: E Mountain seconded: C Payne - carried

5. Presentation of Audited Statement of Accounts and Auditor's Report

The Treasurer, T Goodland spoke to the statement of accounts and auditor's report for 2011-12 as contained in the CCC 2012 Annual Report. He explained an error in the previously circulated report that omitted to include trophies etc in our assets. A revised annual report would be filed (which also made some minor corrections to the President's report). He also explained that a minor deficit was the result of grant money for the security improvements being received in the previous year while expenditure was in the current one as well as membership fees being received early. The President thanked the Treasurer for his excellent work.

Motion: That the report be accepted.
Moved: T Goodland seconded: L Freasier- carried

6. Determination of the Membership Fee for the year 2012-2013

Motion: That the annual membership fee for 2012-13 be unchanged from last year at \$240 for a standard playing members and \$10 for social members.
Moved: E Mountain seconded: P Tavendar - carried

7. Appointment of Auditor

The Treasurer again engaged Angela Baum to audit the 2011-2012 accounts. He was asked to make the usual thank-you gift to the auditor of a \$150 donation to a charity of her choice.

8. Nomination of Patron

Motion: That the incoming committee consider inviting the Hon Margaret Reid to continue as club patron.
Moved: E Mountain seconded: P Hardiman - carried

9. Consideration of proposals under Rule 16 of CCC Inc. Rules

There was no resolutions under Rule 16 put forward for consideration by members at this meeting.

10. Election of Office Bearers

No position was contested. At close of nominations, nominations had been received for positions as follows:

President	Nick Chapman
Vice President	Rodney Teakle
Treasurer	Tim Goodland
Secretary	Hilary White
Captain	Peter Freer
Committee Members	Alan Honey, Stephen Pearce, Jill Jones
Immediate Past President	Elizabeth Mountain (Ex Officio)

These persons were duly declared appointed.

The outgoing President congratulated the incoming Committee members on their appointment. She also thanked C Wilson for continuing as Public Officer.

11. Election of Members to the Playing Committee

The Playing Committee membership comprises:

Captain (Chair and Playing Committee representative on the main Committee)
Vice Captain (alternate representative on the main Committee as required)
President (Ex-Officio)
Coaching Coordinator
Members x 2

Nominations were received before and if during the meeting nominator and seconder is listed below. No positions being contested, the resulting Playing Committee is:

Captain	Peter Freer
Vice Captain	Vacant
President (ex officio)	Nick Chapman
Coaching Coordinator	RodneyTeakle
Members	(nominated B Gingold, seconded P Cohen) Greg Diprose (N Chapman, B Gingold) Sorina Atkin (E Mountain, B Gingold)

12. Closure of Meeting

The President thanked those present for their attendance. Pat Hardiman moved a motion to thank Elizabeth for all her work over the past two years. It was passed by acclamation. The President closed the meeting at 1:49pm.
