



Happy Hooping

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Gold Medal: 8-10 April

Men's and Women's Singles: 11-14 April

EIRE Cup: 15-19 April

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING NOTICE

**THE 117th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
OF THE MOORABINDA CROQUET CLUB (INC)**

**WILL BE HELD AT 12 NOON ON
SATURDAY 9TH MAY 2026**

AT THE MARY ANN SPENCER PAVILION

AND ALL MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND

**THE MEETING WILL BE FOLLOWED BY
TROPHY PRESENTATIONS AND PHOTOS**

AFTER WHICH A LIGHT LUNCHEON WILL BE SERVED

**NORMAL SATURDAY AFTERNOON CROQUET WILL
COMMENCE AT 2 PM**

BUNBURY DOUBLES

MARCH 28-29



2026 WA Bunbury Central GC Doubles

We had four teams in the Doubles competition held at Bunbury Central, Rick Murray & Gil Sowden, Deb Bowling & Deb Carver, Bill Waugh & Michel Bruyer and Frank Quicke & Rob Bowling. It was a close fought competition, but Frank & Rob emerged from the pack and took the honours with six wins from seven games. It would be pleasing to see any of our teams come out on top, but it was especially good to see Frank and Rob enjoying success.

2026 Andy's Trophy

Andy's trophy was contested over three Wednesday nights in March. With 32 entrants it was decided to make night one a qualifying night. Each team played 4 games. The eight best performed teams were put into the Trophy competition, and the second eight played in the plate competition. Over the next two nights each comp played a round robin, each playing all the other teams.

The plate competition was close, three teams were tied on 10 points, and they were joint winners of the Plate.

Andy's Plate		Win	Draw	Loss	Points
1	Deb B & Deb S	4	2	1	10
4	Rick & Maureen & Pauline	5	0	2	10
7	Dawn & Del	5	0	2	10
8	Lesley & Jason	4	0	3	8
2	Phil & Sandra	2	3	2	7
6	Vib & Gil	2	2	3	6
3	Rod & Michel & Colin	1	0	6	2
5	Leslie & Gary	0	0	7	0

The Trophy competition was also close. With one game to go Les & Di were tied with Marcus and Glenys. Les & Di won their game, but Marcus & Glenys could only manage a draw against Bill & Frank, So the clear winners were Les & Di. Di is a new member, and this was her first competition. Kerrie Lawler who was paired with Jude Nicholls finished 2nd equal is also a new member, as is Deb Salathiel who was a co-winner of the plate with Deb Bowling. It is so good to see new members getting involved and enjoying success so soon. It is also good to meet and play with and against members we don't know well. This is a great tournament. We could consider running another similar event in the spring.

Andy's Trophy		Win	Draw	Loss	Points
4	Les & Di	6	0	1	12
1	Marcus & Glenys	5	1	1	11
7	Judy & Kerrie & Chris	5	1	1	11
5	Bill & Frank	3	1	3	7
8	Suzie & Jenny	2	3	2	7
2	Rob & Ros	2	0	5	4
6	Marie, Wayne	1	1	5	3
3	Helen & Terry	0	1	6	1

2026 MCC GC Open Singles

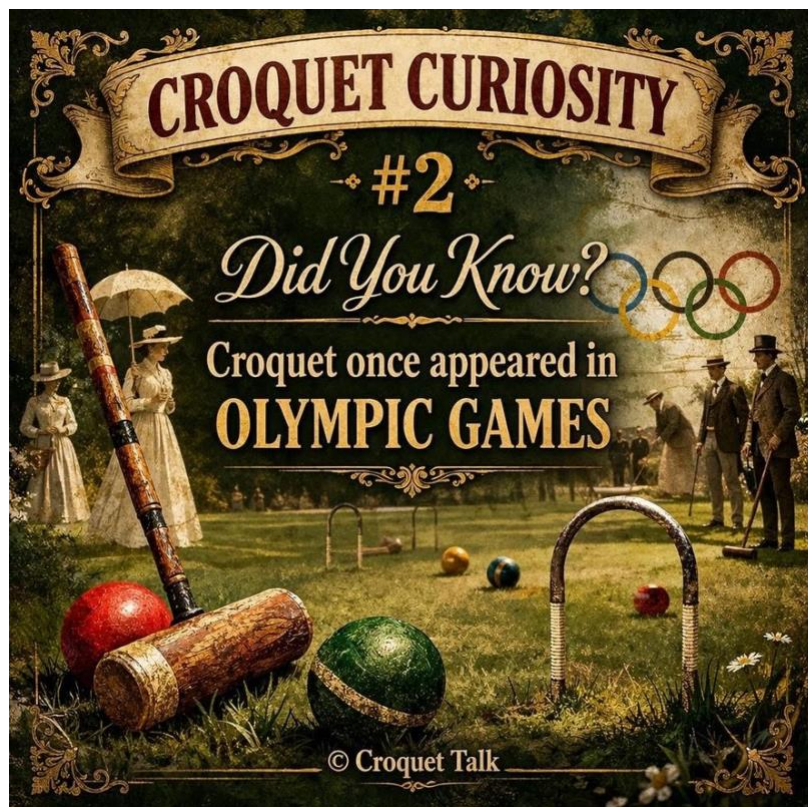
On March 15 the club open singles was contested. We had a strong field including John Jury, Les Holmes, Bob James, Henry Smith, David Squire, Marcus McGavock, Dawn Robinson, Bill Waugh, Colin Boxsell, Rod Davies, Geoff Lawler and Peter Byass.

Because of the number of entries, the first two rounds were grading games after which the top eight were put in the Championship block, and the second eight were put in the Plate block. The plate turned out to be a two-way struggle between A grader Dawn Robinson and the relatively new player Geoff Lawler. Geoff was outstanding and was unbeaten in the plate, and Dawn was a clear second.

The Club Championship was all quality, all eight contestants being A grade players. The standard of play was high the scores in most cases very close, and some amazing shots were played. It was truly surprising that in such a tough and even competition **Bob James** managed to go through unbeaten and is a very worthy name to add to the list of club champions.

2026 St Pats Day, Tuesday 17 March.

St Patrick's Day fell on Tuesday, and the Committee had decided to make a day of it for the Tuesday morning regulars. In the spirit of the event most players arrived in appropriate green tinged attire. Everyone who played was given a shamrock and the first person to run each of the hoops in round one won another shamrock, and all enjoyed some easter eggs that were found along the way. Each shamrock was a raffle ticket, the raffle drawn after round One included many croquet accessories in bright green, such as gloves, headbands, wristbands, a bandana, socks and so on, so for the following rounds Moorabinda was a sea of green. After round two Suzie served up an excellent morning tea, giving all the Tuesday player more time than usual to relax and chat. It was a very successful initiative, and credit goes to the committee for instigating it.



WINNERS OF THE ANDY'S TROPHY

Congratulations to Les Holmes and one of our newest members Dianne Taylor on winning the Andy's Trophy, you both played very well over the 3 weeks well done



NEW WINTER STARTING TIMES NOW IN OPERATION

 A photograph of a large sign for the Moorabinda Croquet Club. The sign is white with a blue border and features the club's logo on the left. The logo is a shield with 'MOORABINDA' at the top, 'BUNBURY' at the bottom, and 'C X C' in the center. The sign lists the following information:

- MOORABINDA CROQUET CLUB**
- www.moorabindacroquet.com.au
- WINTER TIMES - 1st April - 30th November**
- Golf Croquet**
- Monday 4.00pm - 6.00pm**
- Tuesday 10.00am - 12.00 noon**
- Tuesday 4.00pm - 6.30pm Single Games Only**
- Wednesday 6.30pm - 8.30pm**
- Thursday 9.00am - 11.00am**
- Saturday 2.00pm - 4.30pm**
- Association Croquet**
- Wednesday 9.00am - 12.00 noon**
- Saturday 2.00pm - 4.30pm**
- Please be at the courts 20 mins before schedule playing times**

 The sign is placed outdoors on a paved area, with a green lawn and trees visible in the background.

Club GC Handicap Singles

6 members fought out the club's handicap GC singles under grey skies on Sunday.



Les Holmes continued his excellent form going undefeated even while giving 5 hoops head start to a couple of the players. Marcus McGavock came second and once again the amazing Helen Quicke gave up her Sunday to referee and keep the play moving. Congratulations to all involved.

