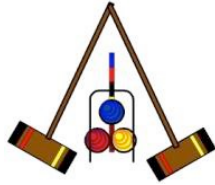


# TCCC



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## April 2022 Event

### Skills Challenge, April 23

Twenty-one Club members tested their shot-making abilities at five different skills. The following winners took home cash prizes.

- First Place, Alan Bensch
- Second Place, Richard Watson
- Third Place, Bob Knotz
- Fourth Place, Betty Anderson

Alan Bensch sincerely wants to thank everyone who participated in the challenge. Participation in this event was not the same as in other events we have organized. Virtually everyone was involved on the court in helping other players compete or recording player's results, as well as competing themselves. I hope that taking part in both sides of the experience was as satisfying for everyone as it was for me.

All the shot-making skills that made up the tests were fundamental to both Golf Croquet and American Rules 6-Wicket Croquet. They were:

- Set-up shots
- Stop Shots
- Clearing shots (or Roquet)
- Wicket shots
- Total number of shots to make a three-wicket sequence

Each player had two chances to try each test. All the tests were the same, but in the second pass through the course, most of the shooting distances were slightly longer. The average scores for the second pass were 10% lower reflecting the increased difficulty.

The course handicapper was pleased because no one came close to the target best score. The range of scores from the highest to the lowest was not large. We're concluding that all the players have some room for improvement, and the club as a whole is very competitive.

Alan Bensch, Tournament Manager

## Future TCCC Events

**Junior Singles Tournament**, Sunday, May 7, 1-5 pm

**TCCC Open Singles Tournament, Golf Croquet**, Saturday, May 14, first games at 9:00 am. Registration is now open for the TCCC Open Singles Golf Croquet Tournament. Click on this link <https://tegacaycroquet.com/upcoming-events> to go to the Upcoming Events page on the TCCC website. Scroll down to the Upcoming Tournaments for 2022 section and click on the Sign-Up button to send me an email to sign up to play.

Or send me an email directly at [alanbensch@gmail.com](mailto:alanbensch@gmail.com) .

This event is open to all TCCC members, both men and women. It is a singles, single elimination event that will take place on May 14<sup>th</sup>. That's just 3 weeks away. We will be playing on just the single full-size court, so to get all the games played in one day, we are limiting our field to 32 players. Don't wait, enter now.

The entry fee is only \$5. Make checks payable to TCCC and send them to Terry Hunt at 944 994 Knob Creek Lane, Tega Cay, SC 29708. This will cover some refreshments and trophies.

The tournament will coincide with a visit by Peter Coles and Vickie Johnston, representing Coles-Roice PFC Hoop Maker Mallets. His mallets are the metal ones that several of us are using. Peter is from Australia and is visiting a few clubs in the US on his way to the US Golf Croquet National Championship tournament, where his company is an equipment sponsor.

**Spring Alternate Shot Social Tournament**, Friday, May 20, 7 pm

**Wine and Wickets Social Evening**, Saturday, June 25

**Summer Social Evening**, Friday, July 22

**Fall Alternate Shot Social Tournament**, Friday, August 26

**TCCC/CCC Invitational Tournament**, Golf Croquet, Sun City Dataw Island, September 21-23, 2-day event

**Anderson Cup Club Championship**, Golf Croquet, October 19-21, 3 days

## **TCCC Substitute List**

For a list of members willing to substitute for a regular member, contact Sally Bennett at [sallyirishbennett@gmail.com](mailto:sallyirishbennett@gmail.com). Also contact Sally if you wish to be added or deleted from the list. A new list will be published and sent to all members if there are changes. This list is for TCCC members only and is available on the Website.

## **Construction of New Storage Building Delayed**

On April 8, an email was sent to all members stating that because of construction problems at another city project with the low bidder for the croquet storage building, the city decided to postpone construction of the croquet storage building. The city said there is a possibility of funding this project in 2022-2023, but that would need to be part of the budget conversation.

## Open Sessions

The TCCC has designated **Thursdays from 12 to 2 p.m. as open sessions** on the Tega Cay Croquet Court. Any adult can attend. You need not be a resident of Tega Cay or a member of TCCC to participate. Core croquet techniques are taught to beginners and all croquet equipment is provided by the TCCC. **Richard Watson** will coordinate these sessions in accordance with the TCCC Social Distancing Guidelines and arrange games for those who attend. **If you plan to attend one of these sessions, please contact Richard in advance at [richwatson6@gmail.com](mailto:richwatson6@gmail.com) or call him at (803) 295-3071. TCCC members, please tell your friends about these sessions.**

## President's Corner

### 7 RULES OF LIFE

**1. SMILE**

*IT ALWAYS WORKS IN THE END*

**2. BE KIND**

*YOU HAVE THE POWER TO MAKE PEOPLE FEEL GOOD*

**3. DON'T GIVE UP**

*IF IT DOESN'T WORK THE FIRST TIME, FIND ANOTHER WAY*

**4. DON'T COMPARE**

*EVERYONE IS ON A DIFFERENT JOURNEY*

**5. AVOID NEGATIVITY**

*AVOID NEGATIVE THOUGHTS, SITUATIONS, AND PEOPLE*

**6. MAKE PEACE WITH YOUR PAST**

*FOCUS ON BEING PRESENT AND CREATING A BETTER FUTURE*

## Court Rental Contact

Marilyn Rhew is the court rental contact. To schedule a time, call Marilyn at 803-548-4840 or email her at <mailto:mrhew@comporium.net>.

## New Members

In April, Peter Maroosis joined the TCCC. Go to the website to see a picture of Peter and information about him. The website has a new section on new members to the club.

If you have joined the club recently, please send your biographical information to [alanbensch@gmail.com](mailto:alanbensch@gmail.com). Alan has a new section on the website for new members.

**7. TAKE CARE OF YOUR BODY AND MIND ONE STRUGGLES TO SURVIVE  
WITHOUT THE OTHER**

*Mike Kost, President*