



## Australian Golf Croquet Men's and Women's Single Championships

Ever played in a National Golf Croquet Tournament?  
September is your opportunity!  
**Go to the Hunter – Go Play!**

Each year the Men's and Women's Australian Championships are hosted by a different State, and Croquet New South Wales has the honour in 2018.

These two competitions are held concurrently on Saturday 8 – Tuesday 11 September. Venues include four 4 court venues at Newcastle NP, Maitland, EDSACC & Toronto CC. However no decision will be made on which will be used for the Men and which for the Women until entries are confirmed.

These events follow the Gold & Silver Medals (being held at Tempe in Sydney on 5-7 Sept) and lead into the InterState Shield (Hunter 12-16 Sept).

If you have a GC handicap of 8 or better you should consider entering either of these events! Over the four-day period, entrants will compete in seeded blocks (single 13-point games) and then – depending on numbers – either the top 16 or 32 move into a knockout playing best of three, while the rest of the field play in the Plate.

Will Gail Hopkins and Murray Tinker defend their respective 2017 titles?



If you would like to 'have a go' but are 'not quite sure' then just enter the Plate. Soak up the atmosphere, and watch Australia's leading players as they get to the pointy end of the competition. Entering is easy - just go to Croquet Australia's website, click on Tournaments and click on either GC Men's Singles or GC Women's Singles. **Please enter by Friday 10 August** (midnight WA time)!

For more information and please contact Peter Freer, Chair of the ACA Events Committee, by email at: [events@croquet-australia.com.au](mailto:events@croquet-australia.com.au).

**Please note that Atkins Quadway hoops will not be used during these 2 tournaments, and that hoops will be set to 3+<sup>11</sup>/<sub>16</sub>".**



## Australian Golf Croquet – Men's and Women's Singles

- Tournament Manager:** John Eddes
- Tournament Referee:** Bev Smith
- Tournament Handicapper:** Peter Smith
- ACA Events:** Peter Freer
- Headquarters:** Newcastle National Park Croquet Club, 25 National Park Street, Hamilton
- Other Venues:** EDSACC, Maitland CC & Toronto CC.
- How to Enter Click Here:** via ACA website: [Women's entry](#) [Men's entry](#)
- Closing Date for Entries:** Friday 10 August (by midnight WA time)
- Entry Fees:** \$95 per player  
If entering the Plate ONLY: \$47.50 per player  
Full time students (under 25) and players aged under 21 at December 2018 are entitled to 50% reduction of the above fees.
- Prizes:** The Winner of the Men's Singles receives a gold medal and the 'Sauce Bottle'. The Winner of the Women's Singles receives a gold medal and the Cup. Runners-Up receive a silver medal each; and certificates are awarded for Third & Fourth Place and Winners of W, Z, Y and Plate.
- Draw:** To be conducted by the ACA Tournament Committee with help from Events and GC Selection Committees using the ACA Seeding and Draw procedures. Seeding will use the latest available World GC Ranking list.
- Registration:** At Newcastle National Park CC from 5pm on Friday 7 Sept.
- Format:** Entries limited to 48 Men & 48 Women. Depending on actual entries, play may commence with seeded blocks (single 13-point games) then 16 or 32 players to qualify for re-seeded XYZ draw (knockout, best of 3 games).  
The Plate event will be designed to maximise the amount of play and will also depend on actual numbers, either in blocks or as a Swiss event.  
Players may enter the Plate events as follows:  
a. players who are reserves or not allocated a place in the main event,  
b. players entering the Plate Event directly (not through the main event).
- Shirts:** Tournament shirts are available at \$35 each via the CNSW website.
- Catering:** Coffee & tea; lunch & other food available for purchase.
- Functions:** **Friday 7 Sept** – Welcome Men's & Women's Singles from 5pm with BBQ from 5.30pm. \$10/head and drinks will incur a cost.  
**Tuesday 11 Sept** – City of Newcastle Civic Reception 6pm at Newcastle City Hall, 290 King Street, Newcastle. Presentations of the Gold, Silver & Bronze Medals, followed by the introduction of the ISS Teams. By invitation and hosted by the City of Newcastle.  
**Sunday 16 Sept** – ISS Dinner 6:30pm for 7:30pm, at The Beach Hotel, Merewether, with sweeping ocean views. Cost is \$65 per head

**Payment for shirts & functions is to be made to Croquet NSW not ACA. Details will be available on the [Croquet NSW website](#) shortly.**