



BAYSWATER CROQUET CLUB (INC)
58 Murray Street, Bayswater, Western Australia 6053

Where camaraderie meets sport,

When strategy meets skill,

A gentle walk on a manicured lawn.

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Club Facilities

Number of Courts : 2 Full Courts with Lights,
Clubhouse: Large meeting room, with attached kitchen, storeroom,
and toilet facilities



Club Playing Days

Golf Croquet

Wednesday	5:30pm	- Summer
	4.30pm	- Winter
Friday	8.00am	- Summer
	8.30am	-Winter

Association Croquet

Wednesday	1.00pm – 3.00pm
Saturday	9.00am – 12.00pm

Contacts

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New Members Welcome

The club is very keen to attract new members, and is committed to providing a warm, welcoming environment to newcomers, and to support the growth of this wonderful sport. Assistance for beginners and coaching is available.

About Croquet

Early forms of croquet were first played in France in the 11th Century, about 1000 years ago.

There are two main versions of croquet currently played: Golf Croquet and Association Croquet. Both versions use the same equipment: balls, mallets, hoops etc. and can be played as singles (one player each side) or doubles (two players each side).

Each game is played with a set of four balls of different colours.

- The 'primary colours' are Blue & Black (1st side) v Red & Yellow. (2nd side).
- If two games are played concurrently on a court, then the second game will use 'secondary colours': Green & Brown (3rd side) v Pink & White (4th side)



Golf Croquet This is the shorter duration (and less complicated) game which can usually be completed in about 30 to 40 minutes. Each turn consists of one stroke only and is played in a strict colour sequence. (Blue, Red, Black, Yellow). At the start, each player in turn tries to send his ball through the first hoop thereby scoring a point for his side. As each hoop may only be scored by one side, play for both sides then proceeds to the next hoop and so on. In a 13 point game the winner is the side to first score 7 hoops. (Or the side with the most hoops if time is called)

Association Croquet The aim of this game is to make each ball pass through each of the six hoops twice, once in each direction, and then hit the peg in the centre. (a total of 26 points) It has been likened to snooker on grass. When a player strikes his ball and causes it to hit another, (a roquet) he is then required to pick up his ball (the one that he struck) and place it against the other. He then plays a stroke (called a 'croquet stroke') sending his ball to another position on the court to his advantage. He then has a 'continuation' stroke which can be used to either go through a hoop or 'roquet' another ball. Each of the other three balls can be used in this way only once before his ball goes through a hoop. (Hoops must be scored in a particular order). The player's turn continues until he makes a mistake. With good play a turn can last a considerable time and many hoops can be scored. If a game is not completed in the time allowed, the winner is the side having scored the most hoops.



About Bayswater Croquet Club

Short History

The club was founded in 1932 by Mrs Kerr assisted by Mrs Edwards. They first played on the private courts of Mrs Skipworth and Mrs McLeish.

Sometime during the mid-1930's the Men's bowling club was built, and the croquet ladies were able to rent rooms in their clubhouse with courts next to the bowls. Croquet continued to be played during the war, even though the bowling club had been taken over by the Army. Lights were provided so that the ladies could play "out of the hot sun".

During the early 50's it was felt that there was not enough room at the bowling club, especially after the ladies bowling club commenced, so, in 1955, the Roads Board was approached for a separate clubroom. It was eventually agreed that a building would be provided if the cost could be kept to below 3000 pounds. This was achieved with the use of second-hand windows and doors from an old tennis pavilion and the new clubhouse was opened in April 1961. It is still in use today. Unfortunately, during the building process the lights were removed, and it was not until 1994 that the Council again provided us with lighting so that night play could continue.

Men were permitted to join in 1963!!

Over the years eight members have represented Western Australia at National level, with a standout player being Mr Bob Harewood who won the 'British Silver Medal' in 1983 before going on to represent Australia on the international scene. Bob passed away in 2007 aged 92.



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