

Croquetwest Selection Guidelines – Golf Croquet Draft November 2023 v1.0

The Selection Sub-Committee – Golf Croquet (hereafter SSCGC)

1. Objectives

1.1.1. To identify and select active and eligible players and reserves for various golf croquet state squads, teams, events and trophies as per the timeframes outlined in Section 3.0.

1.1.2. To provide an opportunity for competitive play and improve the standard of mallet sports within Western Australia.

2. Composition

1.2 The SSCGC shall ideally consist of not less than three and not more than four Management Committee endorsed members, one of whom acts as a coordinator, responsible to the Western Australian Croquet Association (Croquetwest) Management Committee.

1.2.1. Additionally the State Coach (GC) will be a voting member.

3. Tenure

1.3.1. Selectors shall have tenure for 24 months which expires at the end of the Croquetwest playing season, September 30.

1.3.2. Selectors can reapply for their position at this time.

1.3.3. When positions become vacant, the Coordinator shall request that the Croquetwest Secretary advertise for expressions of interest on the Croquetwest website.

4. Declaration of Interest

1.4.1. Any potential conflicts of interest between a coach/selector and players shall be

- 1.4.1.1. Made known at the earliest opportunity
- 1.4.1.2. Confidentially recorded for use by selectors only
- 1.4.1.3. Reviewed as appropriate on an ongoing basis

1.4.2. Selectors should not be present for any discussion involving family members.

1.4.3. A selector eligible for an event/squad/team/trophy shall leave the meeting while that selection is discussed and will not be involved in the decisions regarding their possible selection.

5. Duties

1.5.1. Selectors

1.5.1.1. The selectors will select the GC Coaching Squad, State Squad (SS) State Team (ST), ST Captain, ACA Bronze Medal, Brian Hadley Star event and the Most Improved Player trophies.

1.5.2. Coordinator

- 1.5.2.1. The Coordinator will chair SSCGC meetings and -
- 1.5.2.1.1. call meetings and prepare an agenda to select players for squads and teams and

- special awards
- 1.5.2.1.2. notify and invite the State Coach to meetings where State Squads and Teams are to be selected
- 1.5.2.1.3. take minutes of any meetings held and forward them to all members of the SSCGC
- 1.5.2.1.4. send invitations and notices of selection to squads/teams/events to all players
- 1.5.2.1.5. seek Management endorsement of ST selected
- 1.5.2.1.6. notify the appropriate body of players selected
- 1.5.2.1.7. as per item 1.3.3
- 1.5.2.1.8. present an annual report of the SSCGC activities for the Croquetwest AGM
- 1.5.2.1.9. maintain SSCGC Guidelines.

6. Selection Process

1.6.1. Voting will be determined by a simple majority with the Coordinator having a further vote in the event of a tie

1.6.2. Selectors are to be autonomous with regard to the performance of their duties but their selection decisions are subject to the endorsement of the Management Committee and the major reasons for selection and non-selection of players will be documented and confidentially retained for use in appeal and major query situations.

1.6.3. Proceedings are confidential.

1.6.4. The composition and format of any squad and team may be altered at any time at the discretion of the Selectors.

1.6.5. No Selector should enter into any formal or informal discussion on selections with any player.

7. Appeals, Withdrawal and Removal of players from squads or teams

1.7.1. A player who withdraws from a selected squad or team for any reason should give their decision in writing to the Coordinator of the SSCGC and the Coordinator should ensure that the player is accorded the opportunity to give their reasons to the SSCGC and/or Management Committee.

1.7.2. Should a player withdraw from a squad, they will be eligible for selection the following year unless the SSCGC deems that the player's attitude or behaviour was inappropriate.

1.7.3. The SSCGC may remove a player by notification in writing at any time and will document the reasons for its decision.

1.7.4. A registered player not selected in a squad or team may appeal through the Croquetwest Management Committee and a written statement will be issued to that player outlining the reasons for non-selection.

1.7.5. A registered player who is unhappy with any such ruling may appeal the decision by submitting full details of their complaint and remedy sought to the Croquetwest Secretary. The Croquetwest Management Committee will determine the complaint in accordance with Croquetwest's current Member Protection Policy.

2.0 Selection Guidelines

1. *Performance Criteria*

2.1.1. There are no minimum performance criteria for the selection of players into various squads and teams. On the whole, selectors are looking for active and enthusiastic players with a good attitude towards other players and officials.

2. *State Team Eligibility*

2.2.1. The selectors can invite players to be a member of the State Team based on a player's performance in major tournaments over the past 12 months, or a demonstrated commitment to competition and improvement.

2.2.2. Players may be selected even though they are not members of the State Squad provided 2.2.1 applies.

2.2.3. Eligibility will be as per condition 3, Eligibility to Compete in the ACA Australian Regulations for Tournaments.

3.0 *GC Coaching Squad*

2.3.1. To seek out Expressions of Interest from players who show a commitment to competition and improvement by the end of October.

2.3.2. To ensure selected players receive the training and motivational environment to enable them to strive to improve.

2.3.3. After discussions with the State Coach, the number of players selected will be chosen by the end of November based on coaching feasibility.

4. *State Squad*

2.4.1. A State Squad may be formed at the discretion of the State Coach and or Selection Committee.

2.4.2. There will be no minimum or maximum number of players in the SS. After consultation between the State Coach a list of suitable players will be invited.

5. *State Teams*

2.5.1. Players selected to represent the State will, unless exceptional circumstances arise, have demonstrated strong performances in major tournaments over the preceding 12 months, or shown improvement through the SS.

2.5.2. Results and rankings will be considered but also player's compatibility and attitude towards teammates, players and officials.

6. *Invitational Events*

2.6.1. ACA Bronze Medal (GC)

Regulations are determined by the Australian Tournament Regulations, Section 30 – Australian GC Medal Competitions.

2.6.2. Brian Hadley Star (GC event).

2.6.2.1. A GC player is eligible for selection provided they

- 2.6.2.1.1. are a developing player having the potential to play high level competitive croquet
- 2.6.2.1.2. have not previously won the event
- 2.6.2.1.3. have not played in the event more than six times
- 2.6.2.1.4. have not won the ACA Bronze Medal event and
- 2.6.2.1.5. do not have a minus handicap

2.6.3. Most Improved Player Trophies (GC)

2.6.3.1. The most improved male and female players in will be selected from the top 4 index improvers over the season. The season will be defined as 16th August till 15th August the following year.

2.6.3.2. Other considerations will be experience, grade, participation and performance.

3.0 Selection Timeline

1. GC Coaching –EOI Early October and selected by November 30th

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2. ST – Whilst the GC State Open Singles maintains it's schedule on the long weekend in June – select by 15th June and announce by 30th June.

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3. ACA Bronze Medal (GC) – up to 6 weeks prior to the event potential players will be notified and informed that their final selection will be based on their World Ranking after the State Open.

4. Brian Hadley Star – up to 6 weeks prior to the event.

5. Most Improved Player trophies – 1st September.