

**KILLARA CROQUET  
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Have you ever wondered how it can be that our Clubhouse always looks clean and fresh?  
**Wonder no more.**  
There are members who sign up to sweep and keep the kitchen clean, for a month. Sadly, the list of volunteers for 2019 still has many gaps in it. Please add your name for the month which suits you best. You don't need to make special visits to the Club – just do it at the end of your usual playing time. There's no reason why you can't sign up to do it with a friend.

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 6.30 pm**

The First Friday of the Month Social Evenings are back by popular demand and the first one for 2019 will be held in March.

Three things to do if you want to attend:-

- Ask your partner to set aside the evening and accompany you.
- Put your name/s on the Attendance List on the whiteboard
- Think about the savoury nibbles you'll bring to have with a pre-dinner drink. It will be a Pizza Night so you may want your nibbles to add to the Italian flavour of the evening.
- Brush up on your trivia - What is a baby echidna called?

Don't forget you could play twilight "croquet as a pre-dinner warm-up. You could arrange a game with a few friends. During Daylight Saving months the usual time to begin is 4pm

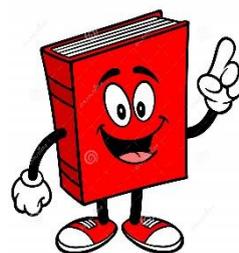
**12<sup>th</sup> March** is a date you can't afford to ignore. It's the last day on which you can enter any of the **Club Tournaments** for 2019.



You don't need to wait until that day to play any of your matches. The best way to avoid the usual end-of-year rush to

finalise matches is to Play-Early-and-Play Often.

**Tournaments, other than our own Club Tournaments,** are advertised through flyers. Each flyer, together with an entry form is emailed to all members and is also filed, in date order, in the 'Tournaments' folder which is kept on the benchtop under the whiteboard.



For easy reference there's a frequently updated list of tournaments, and the closing date for entries, in the front of the folder. The list is also displayed on the whiteboard.

**General Meeting** – the next General Meeting will be on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April, 2019 at 12.00. Play will start at 9.00am.

### **ERROL BROWN**

Those who knew Errol Brown will be saddened to know that he died recently. Errol joined the Club in 2010, was a member for a number of years and was known for his wonderful sense of humour

### **WHO'S BEEN WHERE**

There's not a lot to report – the heat of summer not being very conducive to competition play.

The real action was at our own Australia Day Celebration, where Greg Deakin, ever so patiently, guided us through a game of Gateball. What should be a fast-moving game (players having only 10 seconds begin their turn) became a difficult challenge for most of us as we discovered how difficult it is to play with one foot firmly planted on the ball we had to strike.

By the time the Aussie Morning Tea began it was clear that many of us would profit from remembering this prayer:-

*Dear Lord,  
So far today, God, I've done all right,  
I haven't gossiped,  
I haven't lost my temper,  
Haven't been greedy, grumpy, hasty,  
selfish or self-indulgent.  
I'm very thankful for that.  
But in a few minutes, God, I'm going  
out to play croquet, and from then on  
I'm probably going to need a lot more  
help.  
Amen*

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## **KCC EMERGENCY PROCEDURES**

We all fervently hope that no emergency arises, but in the event that there is one, it is necessary for everyone present to know the best course of action. For that reason we now have a list of the steps which should be followed.

Here are the immediate steps to follow:-

*Organise any other attending members to do the following:-*

- *Assess patient & if required*
- *Call Emergency services - 000*
- *DRSABC. If not breathing begin CPR compressions quickly*
- *Check for bleeding or fractures*
- *Collect First Aid Kit and AED from Clubhouse.*
- *Open gate and stay nearby to direct ambulance when it arrives. GATE KEY is by the AED*

*Those who can, help with CPR.*

There is a detailed plan, including relevant phone numbers and follow-up actions on the wall where the First Aid Kit and the Defibrillator are mounted.

It is vital that an 'Incident Report' is filled in as soon as possible after the event. These are kept in a plastic sleeve at the back of the Members' Emergency Contacts folder (near the Club phone). The completed report is to be given to the Secretary.



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**AUSTRALIA DAY AT KCC**

