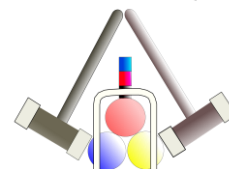


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Cairnlea in Victoria has just hosted the WCF AC World Championship, in which **Alison Sharpe** was among the best players in the world who were all vying to become 2020 AC World Champion. They came from England, Canada, USA, Scotland, Japan, Wales, Latvia, New Zealand, Spain, and each of the Australian states.

Alison didn't make the Main Knockout, but was winner of her group playing for the Plate. Sadly, she was not so successful in the Plate Knockout.

In the final match Reg Bamford (South Africa) defeated Mathew Essick (USA) to become the 2020 AC World Champion, the 5th time he's won the title



Reg Bamford – date (and cup) unknown, but it's made him very happy



Mathew Essick - during the 2020 World Championship

Alison's forthcoming challenges include the CNSW Under 5 Mixed Doubles on 7th-8th March, in which her partner will be Alan Walsh.

Ron Buist is currently playing in the Qualifying Rounds for the Dixon Advisory Classic.

Killara's first round of the **Northside Friendlies Plaque** for 2020 is scheduled for 6th March, and will be played at home against Warrawee.

KCC TOURNAMENTS 2020

Tuesday 25th February was the closing day for entering any of the KCC Tournaments for 2020. The score grids will be displayed on the noticeboards within a few days.

To avoid the rush which always occurs as we approach the closing date for all tournament matches to be finalised, it's wise to follow the advice to

PLAY EARLY AND PLAY OFTEN

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

FRIDAY 6th MARCH
**THE FIRST SOCIAL EVENING
OF 2020.**

(See details on P2)

27th – 30th APRIL

**Our club will host the CNSW
Bronze Singles Tournament
on those dates. Both lawns
will be used for 3-4 days.
(More details about exact
days and times will be
advised as they come to
hand, together with a
request for volunteers)**

WORLD CROQUET DAY



We're planning something special for World Croquet Day which we'll celebrate on either Saturday 2nd or Sunday 3rd May
No details yet, except a promise that it will be something everyone can enjoy.
Try to keep the dates free.

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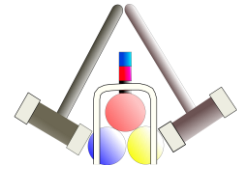
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WEED-A-THON CHALLENGE

President Ron's summation of the recent weed-a-thon was 'went well and we got quite a lot done.

Thanks to Neville Phegan for this photographic record, which he sent with the comment – "There were seven of us there by the time I took the photo we had spread out. Earlier we were a lot friendlier."

Your challenge (should you choose to accept it) is to name each of "The Magnificent Seven"



NEXT SOCIAL NIGHT – FRIDAY 6th MARCH

JOIN THE PARTY

Play evening croquet from 4.30-6.00pm then enjoy a light chicken and salad meal with your friends and finish with a Trivia Treat and a lot of fun!

(Playing croquet is optional)

\$15 per head \$20 per couple

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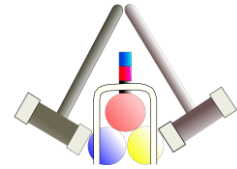
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CROQUET AND THE BUSH

The celebrated Australian children's author, May Gibbs (1877-1969) recognised that the Australian flora and Australian fauna could provide the settings and the characters for stories which engaged children for generations.

It's probable that each one of us heard or read some of her tales when we were very young. Who wasn't afraid of the Big Bad Banksia Men, the sworn enemies of the Gumnut Babies? Who didn't love Mrs. Kookaburra for always arriving just in time to save the favourite Bush Babies, Snugglepot and Cuddlepie?



Through her work, May Gibbs created a huge interest in 'the bush' and in this drawing she's woven croquet into her vivid images of the bush and its creatures.

Maybe now, while our bush, our country towns and the people who live in them, are reeling from the impact of the terrible fires and the years of drought, is a time when croquet could give them a little help.

Many country croquet clubs organise tournaments which provide several days of croquet and the opportunity to meet other players and have a wonderful time. Just ask any of our members who've played in any such tournaments and they'll confirm what a great experience it is.

Right now, country towns need visitors to help their local economies recover. Entering a local tournament would give you a perfect reason to visit a town, to support the local businesses, and contribute to the life of the town while, at the same time, you're enjoying yourself.

All the tournaments are listed on the whiteboard, and the flyers giving details of each of the events are in the 'Tournaments' folder on the benchtop next to it so why not enter one of them?

YOU'LL NEVER EVER KNOW IF YOU NEVER EVER GO

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