



# THE CROQUET AUSTRALIA FEBRUARY BULLETIN



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## 2023 World Croquet Day

World Croquet Day / Weekend is scheduled for 6th May, 2023. To help promote this major event a promotional video has been developed for all clubs to use on social media

## Communication Channels at the ACA

With the appointment of the new CEO, there has been a slight change in the structure of the ACA Staff and communication channels at the ACA.

**Rob Murray** is now the Administrative Officer for the ACA and is the first point of contact for the ACA for any general enquiries related to administration, finance, events and operations from State Associations, Clubs, Appointed Officers and Sub-Committees as required.

**Mel Woosnam** is the CEO and provides direct support to the Board and is the conduit between the ACA Board, Staff, State Associations and key stakeholders in relation to strategic and operational matters. The CEO oversees all ACA Staff and management responsibilities on behalf of the ACA as well as the implementation of the organisations strategic and operational plans in line with the approved budget.

**Greg Bury** is the General Manager of the Academy and is the primary contact for coach and player development, assists States with Club development and support, participation programs, accreditation and training, member service and support, social media and general marketing and communications support.

**Jim Clement** is the ACA Secretary of the Board and is also the ACA Integrity Officer. Jim is the chief governance officer of the ACA and in partnership with the Chairperson, is responsible for ensuring the ACA is run in accordance with its constitution, rules, by-laws, policies and procedures.

The Secretary may also liaise directly with the Heads of State and ACA Appointed Officers and International Federations on governance, ACA meetings and sport related matters as required.

To contact the ACA please refer to the [ACA website Contact Us](#) section and the relevant ACA personnel are listed. To contact the ACA President or Board please do so via the ACA Secretary at [secretary@croquet-australia.com.au](mailto:secretary@croquet-australia.com.au)

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# News and Information

## ACA Insurance

Regional Insurance Brokers (RIB) continue to oversee the insurance program for the ACA for all insurance coverage. Currently the term of insurance is from 1 January to 31 December each year. Any State, Region or Club who has an insurance query, please refer to the [insurance program summary](#) on the ACA website. If this does not answer your question, then please contact your State Association. Certificates of Currency are provided to each State Association who then send these onto their respective Clubs or Regions.

If you require a copy of your Certificate of Currency please contact your State Association. ACA have met with RIB to discuss additional information to be included in the [insurance program summary](#) on the ACA website. This information will be updated shortly. In order to issue the Certificates of Currency prior to the end of the year for 2024 to avoid delays in issuing these certificates over the Christmas/New Year period, RIB and ACA agreed to the following timelines and requests for information:

**27 October** RIB requests sent to ACA & State Associations

**1 November** ACA requests registration numbers & interested party details

**10 November** ACA provide registration numbers & interested details to RIB

**1 December** RIB sends invoice to ACA & States to pay insurance premiums

**8 December** ACA sends reminder for States to pay insurance premiums

**15 December** Final date for ACA & States to pay insurance premiums

**22 December** RIB sends Certificates of Currency to ACA & States

A full overview of the National Insurance Program is provided in the [insurance program summary](#) on the ACA website. If you require another copy of your Certificate of Currency or have a general insurance enquiry, please contact your State Association in the first instance or the ACA.

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## ACA AGM & Strategic Forum

The 2023 ACA AGM is scheduled for **Monday 20th March** at the **Victorian Croquet Centre in Cairnlea commencing at 9.30am**. The ACA Board, Staff, State Delegates and Appointed Officers are invited to attend this meeting. The AGM will be followed by a **Strategic Forum** to discuss nationwide issues, inform the Board of significant member issues and assist the Board to review and design the organisation's strategic direction. The purpose of this forum will be to consider and discuss a national strategic framework for croquet and mallet sports in Australia through consultation, collaboration and engagement with State Associations, Clubs and Members. Further information regarding the strategic forum and the process for seeking feedback will be provided in the coming weeks.

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## ACA Marketing and IT Project update

The ACA have completed additional due diligence for the marketing project by requesting two additional quotes to ensure ACA are achieving value for money as well as engaging the expertise required to deliver this very exciting and important project for the sport.

ACA have now short listed two preferred companies that will provide the value, experience, approach and capability required to deliver the project scope and outcomes. An ACA Board member has been invited to assist in conducting final interviews with both companies to select the company that the ACA feel will successfully deliver this project.

The National member database project has been a priority project for the ACA for the past 12-18 months. Again, additional due diligence has been completed by liaising with other providers and sports to ensure that ACA is aligning with a provider and platform that will provide a fit for purpose database solution that is scalable and can deliver the requirements for the ACA, State Associations, Clubs and Members. The ACA have now appointed an IT Advisor to assist in identifying the best provider that can satisfy the ACA requirements of this project. Further information will be provided to State Associations.

## Sport Integrity Australia

Sport Integrity Australia (SIA) was established by the Federal Government in 2020 as the single agency for dealing with existing and emerging integrity related issues in sport, to protect Australian Sport, mitigate integrity threats and provide a safe, fair, and trustworthy environment for all Participants at all levels of sport across Australia. ACA adopted the National Integrity Framework (NIF) in June 2022 which is a set of rules and policies that all members of a sport need to follow when it comes to their behaviour and conduct in sport. In January 2023, the ACA met with the Heads of State and there was a view that the on-boarding and education process surrounding ACA's adoption of the NIF may not have been as comprehensive as it needed to be, and that further training was required. ACA have been in contact with SIA, and they are currently performing a review of the NIF in order to strengthen the system. ACA have made a request to SIA that once the review has been completed, the ACA would like to engage SIA to deliver a broader education program in conjunction with our State Associations. Further information will be provided in due course.



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# Upcoming Events

## Association World Championships

Congratulations to Robert Fletcher, Malcolm Fletcher, Ed Wilson, Dwayne McCormick, Stephen Forster, Callum Hyland and Greg Fletcher who will be representing Australia in England

## Golf Croquet World Championships

Congratulations to Jamie Gumbrell, Janine McHardy and Kate McLoughlin who will be representing Australia in the Golf Croquet World Championships at the Sussex County Croquet Club in August.

### ACA Events

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AC Gold+Silver Medals (8-10 March)

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AC Men's Singles (11-14 March)

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AC Womens Singles (11-14 March)

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AC Interstate Cup (15-19 March)

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Ricochet Open Doubles (14-16 April)

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Ricochet Open Singles (17-20 April)

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Gc Open Doubles (6-9 May)

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GC Open Singles (10-14 May)

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