

QUEENSCLIFF CROQUET CLUB

January 2020 Newsletter



From The President's Desk:

Welcome to 2020!

This is the first edition of the Queenscliff Croquet Chronicle - our first newsletter. It seems appropriate to launch it under the banner of our Centenary Year. The Chronicle aims to improve communication with croquet members and our communities. Then we will attempt to constantly inform and publish important croquet issues and then finally we need to cover a range of upcoming agenda matters. The format of the newsletter may well change in future editions but for now let us proceed with the launch of this first edition.

For weeks now I have been reading about various good intentions resulting in New Year's Eve resolutions -and quite often weeks later these same sources admit they are unable to keep all of them. Therefore with this in mind I will write about our 'hopes' for our Croquet Club in this year of 2020.

Our first hope is for a new 'interim' croquet court to be installed this year. We are collecting information and data to support this hope and we have submitted our case to the Board of Management. This will be an ongoing hope so watch this space in the coming months. Please discuss this and other matters in your communities when possible. We need such support and publicity as an ongoing push.

Our second enormous hope is that can move ahead with our draft plans for a clubhouse annex. Croquet is the only club in the complex, or in the

town for that matter, to still be connected to a septic tank. We have had discussions with Barwon Water about connecting sewerage to the clubhouse. They were able to recommend a plumber and arranged for him to meet with a member to survey the possibility. Very, very expensive to connect from the corner of Hesse and King Streets but there is an alternative suggestion of going under King street to connect with the sewerage for the new housing. This would require us to have a pump installed and whilst this is still quite expensive it is cheaper than option 1.

These are two very real and realistic emerging hopes for the future of our Croquet Club. They demonstrate how difficult it has been for Croquet Members to improve our playing area.

However, the last hope is that 2020 can be the year of positive change for our wonderful croquet community. I know we all want these hopes to be realised.

Remember: Through hope comes strength!!!!

Happy New Croquet Year for 2020 to one and all.

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