



CROQUET NSW Inc

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Board update for Members –February 2018

The Board has met twice since the last update to you in December and in that we highlighted a number of priorities for 2018. Here's an update on those:

- A first priority was to recruit some additional people to fill the casual vacancies on the Board and it was with great pleasure that Tony McArthur has been welcomed back to the Board. Tony is currently on the Board of ACA so will provide us with some positive connections at that level.
- Steve Thornton and I are hoping to finalise the establishment of an Organising Committee for the GC ISS which CNSW is hosting in the Hunter region in September 2018. If you are keen to be involved in this organisation please let Steve or I know
- A report has been received from the Tempe Working Group - Nerida Taylor, Rob Elliot and Gary O'Dell. The Board is considering a response to that report, which proposes the establishment of a Club at Tempe along with a more active partnership with the Concordia Club, with the support of CNSW. We aim to finalise a position regarding the facilities at Tempe before the end of the year.
- The Visual Identity Working Group - Alison Sharpe, Roberta Flint and Jim Nicolls, have continued to work on the development of a new logo for CNSW and, with Board approval, have provided a brief to a graphic design group for some design concepts. It was reported at the last Board meeting that this work is starting to look like we may have a new logo before too long.
- Some consultation on the Player Pathways Program, which aims to support the development of players at all levels, has taken place and the Board eagerly awaits an update from those involved in the development of this program.
- More work needs to happen around the aim to further embed and support the role of the Regional Co-ordinators. We hope to have a meeting of the co-coordinators before the end of April to discuss with them the support they may require and to receive feedback about their work within their regions.
- Work is progressing on sections of the constitution to tidy up some clauses, refine the objectives and ensure close alignment with the model rules of the NSW Office for Fair Trading. We expect to have a draft ready for the members to consider by April.
- While we have not yet been successful in recruiting a new Complaints Officer (yet) we are pleased to report there are 3 more people who have completed the Member Information Protection Officers (MPIOs) training and are now available to support members in understanding the Member Protection Policy and how to deal with any concerns members may have.

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Other work continues around updating the general policies of CNSW, most of which were simply lifted from the old Handbook.

Also, just a suggestion, have a look on the CNSW website events page to check out the carnivals organised by CNSW & Clubs around the state that you might like to participate in which, in turn, supports those Clubs.

To enter CNSW events you must have your email address entered in your Clubs members' page. Please check with your Clubs secretary. Once your email address is registered you are then able to check and update your personal details and handicap & index changes for all codes.

On behalf of the Board I'd like to thank every member of the Croquet NSW family who volunteer their time and energy to progress our great sport. However, as with all sports, there is always room for more volunteers to help with the administration of their local club or CNSW.

Happy Hooping,

Brenda Wild

On behalf of the Board

