



CLUB HUBS ROUND 2 EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Introduction:

CNSW are looking to expanding the club hub concept from 5 clubs to 8 clubs in 2023

Reference: Please refer to the Power Point presentation: **The CLUB HUB Strategy on the CNSW website for further information.**

Additionally, please email: ray.chapman@croquet-nsw.org with any questions you may have.

EOI Process:

- Clubs will be asked to complete the Application Form and submit answers to the questions provided at the end of this document. *Please note the word limit for each response.*
- Clubs may apply as a single entity or as a group of more than one Club working together.
- In the first instance, CNSW is looking for 3 clubs not currently in the regions of the existing hubs.
- The CLUB HUB EOI Panel will interview either in person or via Zoom, club representatives.
- Additional interviews may be requested.
- The candidates recommended by the panel, will be forwarded to the Board or CNSW with individual rationale, for approval.
- Once the Panel have made their decision no correspondence or discussion with candidate clubs will be entered into, and the decision of the Board is final.
- The announcement of the successful Clubs will be made as soon as possible, by email to the club and by social media and CNSW Website.

All Applications to be forwarded to: secretary@croquet-nsw.org

The Process:

We would like to invite clubs who want to be involved and who meet, or expect to meet, the core criteria within the next year ending 30 June 2024 to be a part of this exciting project.

There will be two main areas of compliance from clubs to be considered for a CLUB HUB:

- 1. Commitment and Culture**
- 2. Capacity and Delivery**

Commitment and Culture

are the most important criteria for any club (or clubs) wishing to be a CLUB HUB.

- The Club commitment to being a Club Hub and demonstrated engagement of the membership in the project,
- Ability to work effectively with other CLUB HUBS and Clubs in your local area.
- An effective functioning Club with good governance capacity
- An awareness and adherence to the relevant CNSW and ACA policies, including Member Protection Policy, Child Protection Policy, Tournaments Policy and any other relevant Policy.
- Demonstrable willingness to work with CNSW Board, including the Director of Referees, CNSW Coaches, ACA Coaches, and the ACA Academy.
- Club leadership capacity and support to:
 - nominate a CLUB HUB Coordinator,
 - liaise with the wider CLUB HUB community,
 - be a Croquet leader and promoter in your local area, which may include delivering marketing strategies and helping develop a new club if required
- Candidate Clubs will need to commit to hosting at least two CNSW State Events per year. [There is flexibility in relation to whether these events are AC or GC and at what level.]

Capacity and Delivery:

These criteria focus on the capacity a club (or clubs) has to take on the role of a CLUB HUB and are a negotiable part of the EOI process.

- Lawns to host a workshop or CNSW event which can be brought to correct competition speed and condition [minimum 2 full size lawns]
- Current croquet equipment including Quadway or similar hoop, recently acquired balls?
- Facilities to host visitors for competitions, coaching and similar events, which may include: sufficient shade, car parking, chairs, onsite bathroom and a clubroom with internet and/or video facilities, tea and coffee making facilities.
- Capacity to
 - control the calendar and bookings.
 - hold coaching and referee workshops.
- Willingness to accept all codes of Croquet and mallet sports being played

In terms of Capacity and Delivery, CNSW will support candidate Clubs who otherwise fit the **Commitment and Culture** criteria even if they do not have all the Capacity and Delivery components in place at the time CLUB HUBS are decided.

CLUB HUBS 2023/24 APPLICATION

Expression of Interest Information and Questions

Full Name of the Croquet Club:	
Postal Address:	
President	
Contact Person (Position):	
Contact Phone Number:	
Contact Email:	

[Please respond to the following numbered questions; each response to be no more than 250 words]

1. Describe in brief your understanding of the CNSW CLUB HUB concept. Why do you want your club to be a CLUB HUB?
2. How would you describe the culture in your club?
3. Do you currently host any local or CNSW Events, and how does this affect your club?
4. What do you think will be the most positive effect of being a CLUB HUB in your local community?
5. How many members do you have? What types of mallet sports are played at your club?
6. How does CNSW need to help you become a CLUB HUB, what equipment will you need?
7. Please provide a mud map of your club, including clubhouse, lawns and any other details to help get an idea of your facility.
8. What is your relationship with your Local Council/ Local or Federal Member like? Have you ever successfully applied for a grant in the past?
9. Do you run coaching regularly [once a week] How many accredited coaches and in what disciplines levels are at your Club?
10. Do you have and use referee? at Club or other competitions? How many accredited referees and in what disciplines/levels are at your Club?

Please return this form and any attachments before COB 3 April 2023 by email to:
secretary@croquet-nsw.org