



Ideas and Tips for World Croquet Day at your Club



Decide the type of event you want to have,

- Is it an internal celebration with members only?
- Is it a local area fun day or recruitment day?
- Is it a Family and Friends day?
- If your club lawns sit within another sporting or community complex why not invite the other organisations in your group to a fun day.
- If you would like to celebrate but you think your club might struggle to get numbers why not join in with another clubs celebration or have a “Friendship Day”
- Maybe your day will be fancy dress!

Whatever you decide remember its no fun if everyone is working while your guests are trying to play alone.

Organise your event so that it suits your resources, if you can't cater successfully don't, ask your guests to bring a picnic and maybe club members can provide chairs, rugs and umbrellas etc.

Ask for help from other club members and partners, its always good to ask people what they most like to do, maybe set up the lawns and take them down rather than making the teas or the speeches.

Communication and compromise is key, the idea is for everyone to have a stress free fun day, not caught up with too many rules.

Depending on numbers and how many lawns you have the easiest way to make sure everyone gets a mallet in their hands is to play Gala Day or Fun Games with a little prize at the end like a Fredo Frog or similar.

If your numbers are smaller but still substantial why not play Gate ball, which is very quick to learn, very easy to play, fast and fun.

Remember to advertise your event on your website, club notice board and local notice boards at the supermarket, library etc. even at the bus stop.

Send a press release to your local paper or local TV station and particularly your local council, they are a great resource and can promote your event through their own website and contacts.

Don't forget to hand out flyers on the day, and gather any names and phone numbers of potential new players.