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Chief Executive Farewell



It is with a heavy heart that I write this address, my final as Chief Executive of Croquet New Zealand.

While this edition

is packed with important and exciting information, which you can read about on the following pages, I wanted to focus on the past 5-years.

It is hard to believe that it has been more than 5-years since I joined Croquet New Zealand in

July 2017. So much has happened in that time.

Membership has grown, New Zealanders have won World Championships, we launched a new Strategic Plan, we recruited our third staff member, we launched the Inclusion Project, revamped the performance pathway, and all of this while navigating the Covid-19 pandemic.

All of this would not have been possible without the amazing people in the croquet community. Thank you to everyone that has volunteered to help support, and grow croquet.

Croquet New Zealand is in great hands with the appointment of Stefan Horrer as the new Chief Executive, and his amazing team; Greg Bryant and Oliver Field.

I will be monitoring Croquet New Zealand's progress with great interest as the journey towards making croquet a sport for everyone continues.

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New Chief Executive

Ciao and Grias Enk,

While some of you will already know me, I thought I tell you a bit about my background. I was born and raised in South Tyrol, a German speaking province in Northern Italy. I left Italy to study at university in Vienna, where I also commenced my corporate career. I eventually moved to Wairarapa in 2016 after an

extended period in Sydney working in Chartered Accounting and Finance.

Soon after moving to Wairarapa, I got involved with croquet and it has been an important part of my life ever since.

I am excited to now join CNZ and work with our associations to continue and build on the great work Jake and the team have been doing.

I have worked closely with Jake for the last three and half years as part of my role on the CNZ FAR Committee. I would like to thank Jake for all his work over the last five years and wish him all the best in his new role.

I am looking forward to meeting association delegates at the upcoming AGM and I will also be reaching out to all associations over the next few weeks. As I continue playing croquet and travel around New Zealand I am hoping to meet many of you in person.

Stefan Horrer

Don Reyland Passes Away



CNZ was saddened to hear of the passing of Don Reyland on 10^{th} August.

Don was a major figure in New Zealand croquet for the last 30 years, and was a massive contributor in growing the sport. He became a CNZ Life member in 2021.

Don will be sorely missed.

CNZ Tournaments

Tournament Entry Portal

The entry portal for the 2022/23 season, powered by SportsTG Gameday, is now available.

Players can enter multiple tournaments after doing an initial registration.

You can access the portal <u>here</u>. As this is a new portal, individuals will need to register the first time they use it.

Invitations Portal

Players wishing to make an expression of interest for invitations can also do so through the new platform.

You can access it here.

CUS Supporters' Apparel Orders



Orders for supporters' merchandise are now available through our partners Classic Uniforms & Sportswear (CUS).

Orders can be placed until 31st of August and will be dispatched Mid-September.

You can place your orders for our new merchandise <u>here</u>.

CNZ Policies

The following CNZ Policies have been updated, approved and posted on our website:

- Code of Conduct
- Privacy Policy
- Complaint Procedure
- Safeguarding Code of Conduct
- Safeguarding Policy

All the documents are available here.

Croquet in the News

CNZ is always pleased to see media coverage of our sport as it promotes awareness of the game and recognises achievements of our players around the country.

Our website has a dedicated page for news items and we encourage clubs and associations to send through any links for us to post on this page.

You can access the page here.

World Croquet Federation

2023 AC Women's Ranking Places

The WCF has announced the 16 ranking places for next year's World Championships.

New Zealand's Jenny Clarke, Alison Robinson and Cindy Clarke were named among them and will be competing in Canterbury in January. You can see the rest of the ranking places here.

More information on the Women's AC World Championships can be found here.

GC World Championships Review



The 14th WCF GC World Championship took place at the Sussex County Croquet Club at the start of August.

The championship was won by USA's Matthew Essick, who beat Robert Fulford of England in the final.

New Zealand's Jenny Clarke made it through a tough draw to make the Championship Knockout, but lost to Egypt's Amr Alebiary at the last 32 and to Karim Ghamry in the Bowl knockout stages.

Our other representative, Nelson Morrow, came third in his Plate Block to make the Plate Knockout, but ultimately lost to England's Nick Archer in the last 16.

CNZ would like to thank Jenny and Nelson for flying the New Zealand flag so proudly for us in Sussex.

AC Rule of the Month

22.3.1 Ball Remaining in Play

"A ball remains in play throughout the **stroke** in which it is pegged out, but becomes **dead** upon hitting the peg, and may not thereafter be **roqueted**."

This newly specified ruling in the 7th Edition of the AC Laws states that a rover ball becomes dead immediately as it hits the peg, meaning that it cannot be roqueted. However, it may influence other balls being roqueted or scoring points, or influence the striker's ball making a roquet on another ball.