



Allan Anderson

Allan started playing croquet at Barry Memorial Croquet Club in 1966 whilst at High School in Gisborne.

He attended his first croquet tournament in Wellington in 1967 at the age of 17, winning six events that year.

Shortly after, he introduced his father Cliff to croquet. Cliff subsequently became captain of the 1974 MacRobertson Shield team and a winner of both the NZ Open Singles and Doubles titles.

Allan moved to University in Palmerston North and became President of the Takaro Club where he re-established it from a membership of 5 to over 60 in addition to developing two of the finest croquet lawns in NZ. One of his proudest moments was hosting one of the MacRobertson Shield test match at Takaro in 1979.

He was selected as a member of the MacRobertson Shield team to tour the UK in 1974 under his father's captaincy.

Allan was runner-up to Nigel Aspinall in the CA Open Championship held at Hurlingham at the end of the 1974 tour.

Five years later, he was selected as a member of the MacRobertson Shield winning team 1979 in New Zealand, in which he had an undefeated doubles combination with John Prince.

He was also a member of the NZCC from 1975-78 and the editor of the NZ Croquet Gazette while in this role.

Achievements:

- *NZ Open Doubles*
(1978, 1977, 1974)
- *MacRobertson Shield Team*
(**1979**, 1974)
- *Men's AC Champion*
(1975)

Representative Matches:

- *vs Scotland* (1974)