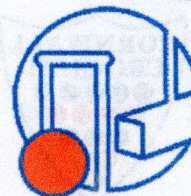


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Good news at last!

Porthpean

Mr Howard Rosevear, the owner of Porthpean Golf Course, has constructed two full size lawns next to the driving range.

The lawns have been levelled optically and seeded which means that we should have some turf to play on in the middle of next year, growing conditions permitting.

Progress has been rapid due to the generosity of Mr Rosevear in that he has funded and managed the construction. The idea being that if we make the club a success he will consider proceeding with grant applications in the future to fund improvement and expansion of the croquet facilities.

**We are now calling an
Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM)
of the Cornwall Croquet Club.**

**This will be held at Porthpean Golf Club
on Tuesday 18 November 2003 at 6pm.**

See notice included with this newsletter.

The EGM will discuss anything related to croquet at Porthpean and Mr Rosevear will attend. We will not publish a formal agenda so please bring your ideas and comments to the meeting or notify the secretary in advance (especially if you cannot attend the EGM yourself).

We may fix a date for the AGM in March 2004, so please bring your diaries with you to the EGM.

Matters you may like considered at the meeting are discussed below - some of these may be subject to formal agreement at the AGM in March 2004.

Mr Rosevear has agreed to become President of Cornwall Croquet. As the owner of the facilities, he has ultimate control over the lawns and it is fitting that he should occupy this role. The Golf Club operates in a similar way.

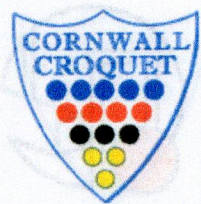
Like the Golf Club, Cornwall Croquet members will run the croquet activities

We will have a small locked shed for equipment storage next to the courts. All members will have access to this (key or code) so that they can play at any time.

Car parking will be on an area inside the entrance to the driving range (see pictures). This is a grassy area, adjacent to the croquet courts, which may be used under dry weather conditions. When it is too wet to park here, we may use the tarmac car park just across the road next to the golf pavilion.

All equipment associated with play will be provide by Cornwall Croquet, that is to say, club mallets, balls, hoops, line marking, chairs and so on.

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1. Club Subscriptions

We have suggested, with Mr Rosevear's consent, an initial Standard subscription of £75 per member per year.

Cornwall Croquet will receive £5 per member per annum of any subscription to help with croquet running costs, the residue paid to Mr Rosevear for lawn maintenance. We may need to review fees as appropriate.

It is conventional to have concessions for: -

1. **Country** members - those living over 25 miles from the club by road or who are full members of another croquet club which they regard as their primary club. £60?
2. **Student** members - up to 25 years and in full time Education. £35?
3. **Social** members - non-playing. £10?

2. Equipment

Estimates of the equipment required: -

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| 1. Balls (4 sets) | £ 600 |
| 2. Hoops (3 sets) | £1100 |
| 3. Mallets (5) | £ 350 |
| 4. Pegs, flags etc | £ 350 |
| 5. Court Equipment | £ 600 |
| 6. Padlock and chairs | £ 150 |
| Total | £3150 |

We also will need funds for publicity, stationery, signs etc., say £500

We need to realise close to £4000.

3. Grants

We intend asking the Croquet Association and Restormel Borough Council (possibly others) for grants. We may have more detail at the EGM.

4. Members' donations.

Some members have offered to help financially – **now is the time to commit and make your offers formal please!**

5. Recruitment

We are going to need volunteers to organise a recruitment campaign. This will need to be active as soon as we are ready to play croquet at Porthpean.

Volunteers please.

6. Change of name

It has been suggested that we omit the "Club" at the end of our name and simply call ourselves "Cornwall Croquet" (as on the logo), to reflect an association of the croquet-playing groups in Cornwall.

This would require an amendment to section 1.1 of the constitution at the AGM.

7. Association Croquet

The club has a CA qualified Referee, an Association Croquet Club Coach and a CA handicapper. It would be useful to have a volunteer to help with club coaching as it is likely that we will be dealing always with a mix of improvers and beginners.