

CANBERRA CROQUET CLUB

CROQUET RESOURCES

Library Items

The club has a good library of croquet books and tapes. The library cupboard is located on the left corner of the main clubhouse room. Members are welcome to borrow from the library. Please sign out items in the lending book provided.

The World Gateball Union Rule Book is also available in the club library.

There are also a number of croquet books available through the public library system in Canberra. Most of these are quite old but provide good reference material for the newer player.

Care needs to be taken with any books or information published before 2000 as they will not reflect the current laws of Association or Golf Croquet.

Web Sites

The club also has its own web site (<http://www.canberracroquet.org.au/>). It provides all the information you would like to know about the Club (rules/regulations, newsletters, events, results, etc). In addition, there are links to other online coaching and training resources.

The Croquet Australia web site (<http://www.croquet-australia.com.au/>) has information about forthcoming events, handicapping, and importantly links to other State Associations, and the World Croquet Federation.

One very useful site is the Oxford Croquet web site (<http://www.oxfordcroquet.com/>). This contains a wealth of information on all aspects of the game including the laws, coaching, technical papers, etc. Of special interest are the online copies of the excellent booklets produced by John Riches (South Australia) with subjects covering such topics as error correction, basic and improving tactics. [NB. the comments above regarding publications from prior to 2000 and the Laws apply here as well].

Information about gateball is available at <http://www.gateball.com.au/> – a website established by members of the club.

Equipment available in Australia

The cost of mallets range from \$100 to near \$500.

A full set of equipment similar to that used by a croquet club (set of 6 hoops, peg, set of 4 balls and clips, and 4 mallets) would cost over \$1,000.

Garden croquet sets are also available and cost from about \$300.

The major suppliers of croquet equipment in Australia are:

Australian Croquet Company

PO Box 19, Littlehampton, SA, 5250

(08 8398 3177)

All croquet equipment, balls (Dawson), hoops, mallets, clips, etc; agents in all States

Ex-Act Craft (Yvonne Brereton)

91 Macarthur Ave, O'Connor, ACT, 2601

(02 6247 4694)

<http://www.users.bigpond.net.au/exactcrafts/>

Coaching books, videos/DVDs

Fenwick-Elliott Mallets

90 Northgate Street, Unley Park, SA, 5061

(08 8110 8000)

<http://www.insearchofthepperfectmallet.com/>

Croquet Orangewood Australia

44 Warringa Road, Frankston South, Vic, 3199

(03 9783 3000)

Sets of equipment suitable for garden play

<http://www.croquetorangewood.com.au/>

Other mallet makers:

RPM Mallets
PO Box 288
Kumeu
Auckland NZ
Jim Hicks
4 Rosedale Drive
Urunga NSW 2455
Ian Bassett
McEwan Road
Kyabram VIC 3620

Gateball equipment can be purchased online from the Hong Kong Gateball Association

(<http://www.hkgateball.org.hk/>) or Sunshine Ace (<http://www.sunshineace.co.jp/>).