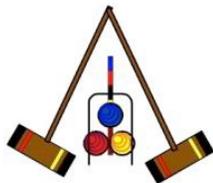

TCCC



Issue 118
January 2020

Website: www.tegacaycroquet.com

January 2020 Events

January was a slow, cold month and the lawn was covered for a couple of days because of frost. There were no events in January.

TCCC Substitute List

A link to a list of members willing to substitute for regular group members is on the website. Contact **Sally Bennett** at sallyirishbennett@gmail.com if you wish to be added or subtracted from the list or if you need the password. A new list will be published monthly only if there are changes. This list is for TCCC members only and is password protected. The list has not been updated since June 2019, so you may want to go check the list to confirm you are on the list and your information is correct.

Once you are added to this list, if there is a particular group that you want to play with, you may want to contact them and tell them you are interested in subbing.

Future TCCC Events

Details for each TCCC event will be sent to all members as the date approaches.

February 15 – Membership Meeting at 10AM

March 15, 2020 – Play Day, Wearing of the Green

March 17, 2020 – St. Paddy's Six Wicket Tournament

April 7 & 8, 2020 – TCCC Invitational Golf Croquet Tournament with the Coastal Croquet Clubs (practice day April 6)

April 27- May 1, 2020 – Croquet Week, Training, Tournament, and Social Events.

Additional social events will be posted on the website and in this newsletter when their dates are determined.

New Members

Three new members joined in January. Don and Noreen Rothman joined after playing in a few Open Sessions. Catherine Simpson joined as a Junior member.

Open Session

The TCCC has designated Thursdays from 12 to 2 p.m. as Open Sessions on the Tega Cay Croquet Court. Any adult can attend. You do not need to be a resident of Tega Cay or a member of our club to participate. All croquet equipment will be provided by the TCCC. **George Fiegel** will give croquet instructions and arrange games for those who attend. If you plan to attend one of these sessions, contact George in advance at gfiegel@comporium.net or call him at 803-372-1721. In addition,

Jerry Misik, Alan Bensch, and others will work with George to teach special shots, such as jump shots.

Court Rental Contact

Dana Boots is the court rental contact. To schedule a time, call Dana at 704-453-9636 or email her at dboots4242@gmail.com.

TCCC Website

The TCCC Website contains a wealth of information about our club, including a list of officers, membership information, rules, and contact information. The Photo Gallery section contains photos and articles for recent events. Also included is information concerning the club's Junior Croquet Program. The address for our website is <http://www.tegacaycroquet.com>

President's Corner

For many of you, it might feel like the slow season for our club. Tournaments and social events are "on pause" when the weather is cold and unpredictable. Let me assure you that your board is hard at work planning a full slate of activities that will kick into gear starting in March. The St. Patrick's Day "Wearing of the Green" event and six-wicket tournament will be here before you know it. We are also hosting the Carolina Coastal Clubs on April 6-8 for a golf croquet tournament. Terry Hunt is planning a very special Croquet Week later in the spring.

Please come to Souper Saturday on February 15 and get our full schedule of events for the year. As a special treat,

Fergal O'Shea the new Pinnacle Director of the facility, will join us to introduce himself and share any club news.

On another note, you will soon be playing your croquet matches on our new Quadway wickets. These were the wickets you may have seen when we hosted the Quad Shield Tournament last year. They offer several distinct advantages for our club. First, they are much easier to both install and remove. This should eliminate the over-wide wickets. Second, they are much less damaging to the lawn. Third, they should never need a paint job. Fourth, the width of the wicket is adjustable (four different widths, hence the Quadway name). The manufacturer indicates that these wickets ought to last 20 years with proper care and installation.

We will use the widest width for normal club play but have the option to tighten things up a bit for tournaments. We need to train the grounds crew on proper installation before the wickets make their appearance (hopefully very soon).

I am looking forward to warmer weather and lots of great events. Can't wait to play on our new wickets! Let the board know what you think after a few games.

Respectfully,

Frank Powell

TCCC President