

GC High Handicap Trophy 2022

This has been awarded to [Steve Beer](#) for winning the GC High Handicap tournament in September.

Winter Monthly Blocks 2022/23

The initial winter blocks have now been released.

There are 21 players randomly placed in 4 Golf Croquet blocks.

Each player is to play one handicap game against each of the others in their block, by the end of December. The games are to be played on Short Lawns with winter rules and do not count on the handicap cards. Extra Strokes are allocated as on a full lawn.

There are 14 players in 3 Short Croquet blocks.

The players in blocks A and B have been randomly allocated. Those in Block C are the least experienced.

Each player is to play one game against each of the others in their block, by the end of December.

The games are to be played on Short Lawns. All games played in blocks A and B will count on the handicap cards but those in block C will not.

The Club Competitions 2022 are now complete

Josiah Lewis AC Handicap Singles

Martin Wicks beat Stephen Custance-Baker 26-22
and reduced his handicap to 3½

GC Level Play Salver

Stephen Custance-Baker beat
David Jones 7-4, 7-6

GC Handicap Singles Shield

Beverley Tapper beat Christine Smith 5-6, 7-3, 6-4

GC Doubles Shield

Dave Wall & Christine Smith beat
Dave Lusk & Sue Custance-Baker 7-2, 6-5

The President's Shield for AC Advanced Singles

Martin Wicks

Runner-up: Stephen Custance-Baker

Brian Toomey Cup for AC Handicap Doubles

Stephen and Sue Custance-Baker

Runners-up: Dave Pennack & Judith Hutton

Short Croquet on October 2nd

We are all very grateful to Anthony Myers for organising, and leading, an excellent day's introduction to Short Croquet for GC players. Anthony gave an introduction to the main elements of the game and eight established SC players then guided nine newcomers through the first steps in SC, using alternate strokes doubles.

We were very lucky with the weather, which was warm, sunny and calm, and everyone greatly enjoyed the day.

It is hoped that we can not only have further coaching sessions for the same players but extend this to those who were not able to attend on the day (and others who feel a need for coaching).



A relaxed approach to coaching.



Demonstrating a croquet stroke.

Matches 2022

The Short Croquet (Restricted) team (Lorne Loxterkamp, Judith Hutton, Sue Custance-Baker, Christine Jones) have lost 5 – 11 in the semi-final at home against Bath.

The Short Croquet (Open) team (Stephen Custance-Baker, Mike Balch, Dave Lusk, Sue Custance-Baker) have lost 7 - 9 in the final against Exeter at Nailsea.



Taunton Deane and Exeter teams

Regrettably, this means that none of our league teams have won their leagues this year.