

CROQUET TOURNAMENTS AT BUDLEIGH 2019

GOLF CROQUET		
June 15 th / 16 th	New for 2019 - GC Class Weekend. Ideal as your first National Croquet Association tournament - level play against visitors and club members arranged in classes of a similar standard	All handicaps and levels of experience welcome
Aug 11 th	FREE bonus GC day. At the end of the club's August AC tournament, reclaim your lawns and take on the visitors at GC!	All handicaps and levels of experience welcome. Free entry to club members.
Aug 24 th	B Level local championship and qualifier for the National Final. Level play, results go into the international rankings. Make your mark on the world stage!	Handicaps 3+, typically 3 - 8.
Aug 25 th	C Level local championship and qualifier for the National Final. Level play.	Handicaps 7+
<i>also see the One-Ball events - you can play that game as well as an AC specialist can!</i>		
ASSOCIATION CROQUET		
April 7 th	High Bisquers' Tournament - for those with a year's experience or more, a chance to compete against players from Budleigh and other local clubs. Perfect first tournament.	Handicap 18+
April 13 th / 14 th	B Level Championship	Handicaps 1 - 8
April 29 th / May 4 th	May Week. One of our biggest club tournaments with AC available for experienced players at all standards.	Handicap 20 maximum
June 1 st / 2 nd	AC Class Weekend. Advanced/ Level play within classes of similar players.	Handicap 20 maximum
June 24 th / 29 th	Croquet Association Veterans' Championship. The national championship for players over 65 years of age (with a special and delightfully friendly division for the over 75s). Travels around the country, this year it's in Budleigh.	Handicap 20 maximum
July 8 th / 13 th	Croquet Association Seniors' Championship. The national championship for players over 50 years of age. Travels around the country like the Veterans', this year it's also in Budleigh - a wonderful chance for local players to compete in Championship events on the cheap!	Handicap 20 maximum
July 28 th	New for 2019 - 14 point Advanced. Now the AC variant of choice for many experts, fast moving and offering fascinating strategic choices - use your advanced rules wiles in a 6 hoop turn. We look forward to introducing this format to many of you!	Handicap 12 maximum
Aug 7 th / 10 th	August Tournament. This year streamlined to 4 days of class singles and handicap doubles - with the gala GC Sunday to follow	Handicap 20 maximum

Sep 21 st /2 2 nd	AC Class Weekend. Advanced/ Level play within classes of similar players.	Handicap 20 maximum
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SHORT CROQUET

Oct 8 th / 9 th	Individual Tournament. We run the country's largest individual tournament for this code. Quicker games, perfect for the cooler Autumn days.	All handicaps, some AC experience needed
Oct 11 th / 13 th	The South West Croquet Federation's Autumn Tournament for Teams. Later in the season you can express your interest in selection for one of the Budleigh teams to Judith Moore.	All handicaps eligible but there is competitive selection for our two teams of four
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ONE-BALL

April 6 th	Charity Doubles for the Alzheimer's Society. This is our spectacular start-of-season event and we would like to see every club member playing. Just turn up and donate (£5 minimum suggested - we can't charge an entry fee because of Gift Aid regulations). 100% goes to the charity. We'll sort you a partner to even up the standards and you can play as many or as few games as you wish. Wear blue, have fun, help a cause that affects many of us!	Absolutely anyone welcome. These events are held at many croquet clubs and last year we had the highest number of participants nationwide. We'd like to beat our own record!
May 12 th	Details to be confirmed, but we hope to launch a new and exciting one-ball competition	

How to enter: for now, just block off these dates in your diary. Nearly all the events listed above are official Croquet Association (CA) fixtures. The CA website will go live to let you book them online in February, at the same time that the Fixtures Book is posted out. Tournaments do fill up so it's worthwhile entering reasonably promptly. If you have any problem with booking online please speak to a member of the Croquet Committee.

Online booking is not available for the Alzheimer's Charity One-Ball on August 6th, Hibiscus on August 7th, GC bonus day on August 11th or the Short Croquet Individual Tournament on October 8th/ 9th. Entry details for those will be publicised nearer the time.

There are other internal club tournaments for GC, AC and One-Ball: we'll tell you about them as the 2019 programme develops.