

## Croquet Communique - 12<sup>th</sup> January 2023

On Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January, the Croquet Section enjoyed a celebratory reception, generously provided by the Club in recognition of its outstanding 2022 competitive season, but in particular, the success in national competitions. Some 90 people attended and enjoyed the excellent hospitality.

We were pleased to welcome all the team players, who had represented the Club, the Chief Executive, the Chair, many Members and to welcome back Tristan McIlroy, who played an important role in the section while working at the Club.

Captain Mike Pattison gave a presentation of the results and involved all the players with requests for comments or questions.

Tim Russell was thanked for all his work and in particular his efforts in encouraging and supporting improving players.

The Croquet Association's publication, the *Croquet Gazette* featured the Club's achievement of winning four out of five tournaments on their front cover, and also in an article within ([click here to read](#)). To put into context the achievement of winning four of the five top tournaments in a season:

- No club has ever won more than two tournaments in a season.
- Only Roehampton Club and Nottingham have won all competitions (not at the same time).

We were also pleased to congratulate Roehampton Club Member, Harry Fisher, who played in the victorious England team, who won the MacRobertson Shield in November, beating New Zealand, Australia, and United States of America in this major international croquet team event, played in Australia this time.

Marc Newey, in closing, thanked the section for its efforts over the last few years and wished us well in the future.





**Fair Weather Training**

Determined to maintain his winter training, but unable to cope with the British weather, Dan Haxby is pictured here practicing in Antigua:

Happy New Year  
Enjoy your Croquet in 2023

**Mike Pattison**  
Croquet Captain

