

RSCC Newsletter March 2026



Greetings everyone, the season approaches. It's perhaps a little early to say; "cast off your winter woollies and bring out your croquet kit," but we are hoping to declare the season open on 2nd April. Ambitious, you think, maybe so but we'll give it a go.

Michael tells me that, because of the very wet weather causing very soft ground, groundsman Reg has been unable to roll our lawn, which he would like to do before cutting. Too early a start and we risk damaging the lawns. The start date remains the same (2nd April) but it may have to be postponed

However, before any croquet can be played there is quite a lot of preparation to do and so a work party will be needed. We hope the work party will take place this coming Saturday. The start time is 10.30 so, please, if you can spare an hour or two, do pop along and lend a hand, it will be much appreciated.

Michael tells me that he now has the website pretty much up to date so if you log on to that you will learn a little more about the coming season.

Andrea has asked that green card holders bring their cards along with them so that she can assess/ adjust your handicaps if necessary. She has not given a specific date, so please bring them along when you come to club sessions.

Andrea has also asked that anyone interested in playing for our team in the Yorkshire League this season should send their contact details (phone numbers and email address) to her at dandawiddison@hotmail.co.uk

Chairman Ted has a plan to hold some coaching sessions, see below:

Welcome back to croquet 2026

A short course based on stroke making.

Tuesdays and Thursdays 1.00 pm – 1.20 pm

April 7/9th – Line and length, sweet spot-on mallet face, sweet spot-on ball. Natural stance, forward and backward from natural stance

April 14th/16th - Ball on ball, clearance and promotion

April 21/23rd -Stop shot

April 28th/30th – Split shot/ jump shot

As you see each session is repeated to give a chance for everyone to come once a week. If you attend both sessions that is a good habit, a chance to practice and practice is practicable.

In each session there will be examples of practice sequences and a short self-test.

If you are interested in attending, please book in on the Court Booking System on the website.

Ted

Before I go, I should mention that there is a Friendly Match v Bishop Monkton (A) on Tuesday 28th April.

If you fancy playing in that you can put your name down on the Court Booking System.

That's all for now, heres's to the new season!

Best wishes to you all

Roger