



What do you get for your croquet affiliation fees?

<p>Your club gets</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Membership of a Sporting Association</i> that is recognised as an important part of sport in Victoria and Australia. The Victorian Croquet Centre at Cairnlea is a world class headquarters where state, national and international events are played. • <i>Help with incorporation</i> – this protects your club officers • <i>Access to grants</i> from Sport and Recreation, VicHealth and your local authority • <i>A schedule of tournaments</i> and social days. The Croquet Vic Tournaments and Fixtures committee produces a schedule of around 100 tournaments for those who want to compete. • <i>Support for clubs</i> The website includes extensive resources to help clubs make plans and run club activities.
<p>You get</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Coaching.</i> When you join a club you are taught to play and have ongoing coaching to enable you to enjoy whatever version of croquet you play and at whatever level you choose, be it social or competitive. Your registration fee helps Croquet Victoria to train and accredit coaches with the Australia Sports Commission. This includes club level coaches and visiting coaches. • <i>Healthy, sociable recreation</i> – it's easy to keep active and reach your target number of daily steps! • <i>An organised sport.</i> The games you play and enjoy have rules so that games can be played in a fair and orderly way. The rules are standard worldwide and are delivered by accredited referees who are trained by the Directors of Refereeing and a team of examiners who tour the state. • <i>A fair sport.</i> Victoria is party to the national Member Protection Policy which lays down principles for member relationships and for dealing with any issues that occur.. • <i>A playing handicap and ID number.</i> The National Handicap System for Association and Golf Croquet (ACA), allows you to play on an equal footing with other members throughout Australia, both socially and competitively. The state handicappers monitor the system, answer queries and recommend changes that contribute to your enjoyment of your game. • <i>Access to training as a croquet official.</i> Training for coaches and referees is free. As you become more experienced you are encouraged to consider training to become a coach or referee yourself. • <i>The opportunity to play</i> and to support players. You will be welcome at croquet clubs around the world. • <i>An affordable fee.</i> Croquet Victoria is mindful that croquet is a sport for all and has worked hard to keep their fees within everyone's reach. Affiliation fees are kept low and increases are limited. Members under 21 pay an affiliation fee of only \$20 a year. • <i>Insurance</i> covering public liability, travel, and committee member liability. • <i>News about croquet</i> via the Croquet Vic website, the Croquet Vic Facebook page, and the monthly magazine <i>Malletsports</i>.