

Sandwich Croquet Club Newsletter – October 2012

It is both a happy and a sad time. The happy is that we end the year as an established croquet club with a beautiful court and a strong and diverse membership. The sad is that fall brings the end of play as many of us bid goodbye to members heading south for the winter. Already we look forward to May 4, 2013 when we will return to the courts.

The October Golf Croquet Tournament was cancelled due to weather. We had hoped to host members from other clubs, but the weather simply did not cooperate. We still thank Ed for all his planning and hope we can use those plans next summer.

Our fund raising goal was \$6,000 and we are currently at \$3,221, which includes cash, the value of donated items, and pledges. Since we still have court completion costs with irrigation, maintenance, and equipment, we will continue to encourage members to contribute, as they can, to the cost of our courts. The annual membership fee does not directly contribute to the building of the courts but pays for the necessary insurance and costs to Sandwich Hollows, etc.

Our terrific website was completed with the expertise of one of our newer members, Peter Owens. Look at www.sandwichcroquet.com. We hope you will be pleased.

The end of the year dinner will be November 2nd at the Bee Hive Tavern in East Sandwich. The final day of play will be Saturday, November 3rd. The courts will be closed at that point to allow for necessary seasonal maintenance.

Have a safe, healthy and productive winter. Although some of us who stay in the winter will try to gather for lunch now and then, we hope to see all of you on the courts in May.