



MM12/25 ACKNOWLEDGING 90TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF EASTWOOD CROQUET CLUB - Mayor Trenton Brown

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As leader of Council, I wish to acknowledge and celebrate the remarkable 90-year history of the Eastwood Croquet Club, a club that has stood as a testament to the power of community, friendship, and determination since its founding in 1935.

The Eastwood Croquet Club began humbly, with a group of local women croquet enthusiasts playing on an improvised lawn on the private property of Mrs Redshaw. With vision and persistence, Mrs Redshaw successfully lobbied for an unused section of Eastwood Park to be dedicated to the establishment of a croquet club. This ultimately saw the creation of two lawns and a small pavilion. Council, on behalf of the Club, petitioned both the NSW and Commonwealth Governments to secure funding for the construction of these facilities.

Now, 90 years later, the Eastwood Croquet Club remains strong. Its manicured lawns, gardens and clubhouse are not only a beautiful and proud part of Eastwood's landscape, but a living symbol of the community spirit that brought the Club into being.

Over the years, the Club has hosted state and national competitions, proudly representing our local area on the broader sporting stage. More importantly, it has played a vital role in fostering social connection and wellbeing for its members and the wider community. The camaraderie, sporting spirit, and enduring friendships developed over the Club's history are truly invaluable.

Groups such as the Eastwood Croquet Club play a vital role in bringing people together, strengthening neighbourhood ties and enriching civic life. They are places of welcome, inclusion and purpose and they deserve our thanks and recognition.

On behalf of the Council and community, I extend our heartfelt congratulations and sincere appreciation to all members past and present and those who have built, maintained and supported this wonderful Club over the years.

May it continue to thrive for many years to come.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council congratulates the Eastwood Croquet Club on their 90th year Anniversary.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

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Council, submitted on 27 May 2025.