

NORTHERN CROQUET ACADEMY

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Northern Croquet Academy, York Course Programme 2022

With NEW COURSES
and availability as at 16.1.2022

Summary

Dates 2022	Course	Course Leader	Cost
(1) Fri 1 April (2) Sat 2 April NEW	AC/GC One-to-one coaching with Cliff Jones	Cliff Jones	POA
Sun 3 April NEW	AC/GC Perfecting basic stroke play	Cliff Jones	£38/33
Tues 5 April	AC/GC One-to-one coaching with Cliff Jones	Cliff Jones	POA
Wed-Thurs 6-7 April	AC An introduction to Advanced Play: towards the triple peel	Cliff Jones	£70/60
Sat-Sun 9-10 April	AC/GC Become a CA Club-Level Coach	James Hawkins	FULL
Sun 24 April	AC Become a CA Graded AC Coach	Roger Staples	£38/33*
Wed 4 May	AC/GC Back to basics	Alan Locket	FULL
Sat 7 May	GC Classic Golf Croquet skills and tactics	John Crossland	FULL
Sun 8 May	GC Golf Croquet strategy	John Crossland	FULL
Wed 11 May	AC Bisques and breaks for higher bisquers	John Harris	£38/33
Wed 8 June	GC/AC Learn Short Croquet in one day	John Harris	£38/33
The costs shown are for Ordinary members / Premium members of the Croquet Association			
* A subsidy may be available for this course from the CA. Some Federations may be able to offer additional support.			

In detail

One-to-One coaching with Cliff Jones Friday 1 April 2022 or Saturday 2 April 2022

Start the season by booking an hour (or more!) of individual tuition with Cliff, one of the foremost croquet coaches in the country. Use the time to work on any aspect or aspects of croquet technique, mindset or strategy that you choose. This is open to both AC and GC players. Please contact the Course Secretary to discuss timings and costs.

Cost: POA. Course code C1. Coach: Cliff Jones

Perfecting basic stroke play – Sunday 3 April 2022

At the heart of successful croquet is knowing precisely what to do to achieve accurate results with every shot. This practical one-day course looks in close detail at exactly how to do it: each part of each shot is looked at closely and reinforced with detailed guidance and 'how to' checklists. Develop your confidence, improve your consistency and move your playing to the next level! The day is suitable for both GC and AC players and is for players of all abilities. A PDF of a comprehensive Handbook by Cliff is included; printed copies will be available to purchase on the day at cost price.

Cost: £38 (CA Premium members £33). Course code PS. Course leader: Cliff Jones

One-to-One coaching with Cliff Jones – Tuesday 5 April 2022

A further chance to book an hour (or more!) of individual tuition with Cliff, one of the foremost croquet coaches in the country. Use the time to work on any aspect or aspects of croquet technique, mindset or strategy that you choose. This is open to both AC and GC players. Please contact the Course Secretary to discuss timings and costs.

Cost: POA. Course code C2. Coach: Cliff Jones

An introduction to Advanced Play: towards the triple peel – Wed-Thurs 6-7 April 2022

This two-day course is aimed at middle handicap players who are confident enough to now be looking to develop their understanding of Advanced Play tactics and the skills needed for success. The course will include common Advanced Play openings, and responses to each; the principles of leaves in Advanced Play and how to execute them; perfecting strokes essential to successful Advanced Play; Advanced Play break management; peeling skills and the triple peel; and other Advanced Play tactics. The course includes a PDF of a comprehensive course book by Cliff Jones; printed copies will be available to purchase at cost price at the course.

Cost: £70 (CA Premium members £60). Course code AP. Course leader: Cliff Jones

Become a CA Club-Level Coach – Sat-Sun 9-10 April 2022

Course full – waiting list in operation

This two-day course, led by the author of 'Complete Croquet', is for both AC and GC players aiming to develop their coaching skills and seeking CA accreditation to coach within their own club. Coaches also find that coaching others can help them significantly develop their own game. You are expected to have a working knowledge of the Laws of AC or the Rules of GC. A subsidy of £25 per person may be available for CA members: please discuss with the Course Secretary. Some Federations may also offer further support.

Cost: £70 (CA Premium members £60). Course code CC. Course leader: James Hawkins

Become a CA Graded AC Coach – Sunday 24 April 2022

Coaching others can greatly improve your own game. This one-day course is for AC Club-Level coaches and Grade 1 coaches who now aim to develop their coaching skills and improve their level. To become a Grade 1 coach you are expected to have a handicap of 14 or below, and, for Grade 2, a handicap of 6 or below. A sound working knowledge of the Laws of AC is required. A subsidy of £25 per person may be available for CA members: please discuss with the Course Secretary. Some Federations may also be able to offer further support.

Cost: £38 (CA Premium members £33). Course code AC. Course leader: Roger Staples

Back to basics – Wednesday 4 May 2022

Course full – waiting list in operation

Getting the basics right can make all the difference to your game. This practical one-day course is designed to help you understand the principles of a good stance and grip, how to play roquets or clearing shots, and how exactly to master hoop running. AC and GC players will then be coached separately in shots specific to each game. The day will be largely outdoors and will offer plenty of opportunity to put principles into practice. The day is for both AC and GC players and is for players of all abilities. Get your technique right and start being a winner!

Cost: £38 (CA Premium members £33). Course code BB. Course leader: Alan Locket

Classic Golf Croquet skills and tactics – Saturday 7 May 2022

Course full – waiting list in operation

This one-day course is for Golf Croquet players who know how to play but now want to consolidate their game, want to develop their understanding of the basic tactical moves, and want to know when and how to play them successfully. The day will include the skills required, principles of tactical play, and classic tactical shots, while also moving towards some of the more advanced aspects of play. Handicap range GC 10 and above.

Cost: £38 (CA Premium members £33). Course code CS. Course leader: John Crossland

Golf Croquet strategy – Sunday 8 May 2022

Course full – waiting list in operation

This one-day course is for more accomplished Golf Croquet players who are confident about when and how to play basic moves such as blocking, promoting and clearing shots, but now want to develop their strategic skills and include more advanced tactics and decision-making in their thinking and their play. The day will also include when and how to make best use of extra turns in handicap games.

Cost: £38 (CA Premium members £33). Course code GS. Course leader: John Crossland

Bisques and breaks for higher bisquers – Wednesday 11 May 2022

Playing good breaks, and using bisques wisely, are central to winning games. This one-day course is for higher-handicap AC players familiar with basic technique and moves who are now looking to play more sustained breaks and understand how to make best use of their bisques to do it. The morning will include when and how to invest bisques to set up a break; bisque budgeting; identifying break opportunities and capitalising on them; and understanding where best to place balls to start a break and sustain it. The afternoon will include coached games, with players grouped by handicap. Every opportunity will be taken to discuss how best to put what is being covered into practice on the lawn.

Cost: £38 (CA Premium members £33). Course code BBB. Course leaders: John Harris and Dave Hudson

Learn Short Croquet in one day – Wednesday 8 June 2022

This one-day course is open to players of both codes, but should appeal particularly to GC players who want their skills to give them a head start in Association Croquet. It is also for coaches looking for a straightforward way of introducing this accessible version of AC into their own clubs. The day covers distinctive aspects of the AC game including croquet shots and building a break; it offers a full introduction to Association Croquet and aims to help participants play with understanding and pleasure. The day will include guidance on how the skills of AC can be easily learned, a supported game, and plenty of opportunity for individual help and guidance.

Cost: £38 (CA Premium members £33). Course code SC. Course leaders: John Harris and Dave Hudson

How to apply

To find out more, check availability or reserve a place

please either email Debbie James, Course Secretary, at northerncroquetacademy@gmail.com or ring her on 0777 277 8232.

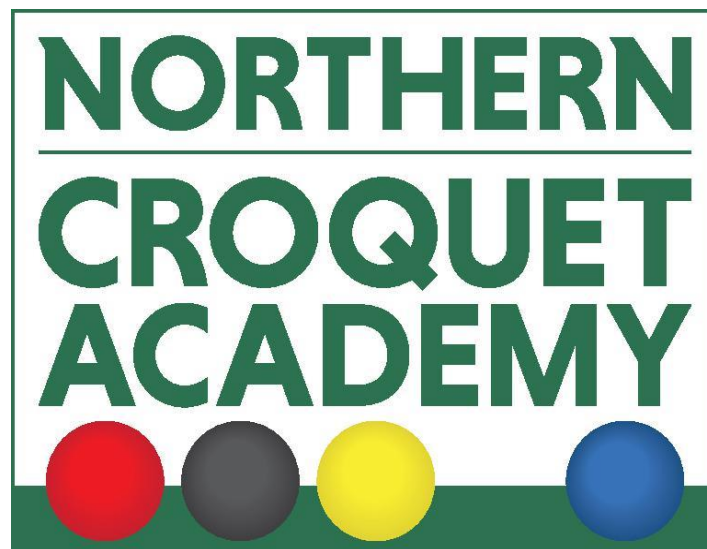
When making a booking

please ensure the Academy has your name, phone number, email address, postal address, home croquet club, and handicap (AC or GC as appropriate)

To confirm a booking

please either make a bank transfer to Northern Croquet Academy, Barclays Bank, sort code 20-45-45 account number 1003 8008, tagged with the course code or codes and your name, or send a cheque payable to the Northern Croquet Academy, with course code and your details written on the back, to The Treasurer, Northern Croquet Academy, 101 Oaken Grove, Haxby, York YO32 3QX

Course booklets are offered with all one-day or two-day Northern Academy courses



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