

The Range Croquet Club, Maleny Report 181119

Vince Carbery retired as club president at the annual general meeting on Saturday. He has given 22 years of sterling service in that role - mentoring and coaching beginning players, refereeing games, maintaining the lawns and generally helping the club. With Val, his wife, he managed both the interclub and intraclub tournaments.

The senior player of the club for many years Vince is a stalwart of the interclub pennants team (the Lochwood Shield) and won it in 2003 when he and Val were the only representatives in that division - winning the "sporting team of the year" in the Maleny sporting awards by doing so. In the term of Vince's presidency, Range has either alone or in combination with other small clubs, won the Lochwood Shield seven times - a great achievement for a small club.

Vince has excellent links with the Maleny community at large having been a teacher in Maleny State School for many years. He is, or has been, active in many other organizations - Meals on Wheels, Navy Cadets, helping at the River School, and officiating in the poultry at the annual Maleny Show, to name a few.

Vince leaves the club presidency to be able to spend more time with his family. Sarah Widin, his successor will be happy to have his help and guidance as he moves into the positions of vice-president and assistant to club captain. If he had been hoping for rest, it seems he'll still be pretty busy with the club, where his wry sense of humour will continue to be welcome along with advice and assistance with everything from the lawns to the playing of a particular shot. Grateful thanks from club members go to Vince for his help, guidance and friendship. Best wishes for the future Vince.

The photo shows Vince and Val receiving a token of club members' appreciation at the AGM, with Sarah (centre) doing the honours.

Coaching for beginners and others is available from 8 am to 10 am on Saturdays. These are popular sessions in a friendly, relaxed atmosphere.

Play days are Thursday and Sunday, 2.00 pm for 2.30 pm.

Our web address is:
<https://rangecroquetatmaleny.org.au>



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Vince and Val Carbery with Sarah Widin at Vince's retirement.