

Surbiton Croquet Club Beginners' Coaching, Lesson 3
Further Association Croquet (2 of 4)

Aim: to teach students how to play Association Croquet through the game of 1-ball and to finish with players being able to play a supervised game of 1-ball croquet.

Session 1 (20 mins): Hoop order, baulks and yard line, hoop running rules, breaks and the principles of extra shots from hoop running, roquet, croquet and continuation; bisques as extra shots, 7 (14), 13 (26) point and time limited games

Explain all above using board

Session2 (20 mins) Applying roquet & croquet shots to 1-Ball Association Croquet

Objectives of 1-ball Association Croquet

Introduce 2-ball break on magnetic board by starting from boundary with rush and asking pupils to define next shot

Demonstrate the first few shots on the half-lawn

Outline basic roquet & croquet shots i.e. drive, stop, split, take-off.

Session 3 (20 mins) Practising roquet shots

In pairs, play roquets to and fro for 10 mins. under supervision.

Mid Session break (10 mins)

Session 4 (30 mins) Practising croquet shots

In pairs, play each of the basic croquet shots for 10 mins. under supervision.

Session 5 (30 mins) Supervised 1-Ball games

Select pairs of similar ability

Each pupil to have 6 bisques

Coach use bisques and take opportunities to explain thicker take-offs and splits

Play to time limit.

Introduce next lesson: it will build upon this one by further developing the full range of croquet shots and break building in Association Croquet.

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