Head of Play

Type of role: Voluntary

Croquet England is a Charity Incorporated Organisation and the National Governing Body for Croquet in England, working with regional Federations, affiliated clubs and Academies to support the sport at every level - from garden play and local clubs through to national and international competition. Our strategy, 'More Croquet', sets out our ambition: more people, playing more croquet, in more places for fun friendship and competition. We are working towards a future where generations of players enjoy croquet within a fun, passionate, collaborative, accessible and progressive community. Our strategic priorities focus on growing volunteering and participation, growing the diversity of our players and volunteers, and providing them with brilliant experiences.

Purpose of role:

The Head of Play will deliver a key role in helping us execute the ambition set out in our 'More Croquet' strategy. They will specifically ensure that those competing in our Croquet tournaments have brilliant experiences and are provided with excellent opportunities to compete at an accessible and appropriate level. They will work collaboratively with their reporting committees and advisory groups, to ensure the competitive areas of our sport connects strongly with other parts of Croquet England.

Role description:

Responsibilities

- To champion the Vision, Mission, values and 'One Croquet' philosophy developed by Croquet England.
- To live the values of Croquet England – Fun, Passionate, Accessible, Collaborative and Progressive.
- To attend Executive team meetings.
- To support the appointment of a suitable Assistant Head of Play.
- To find and recruit suitable volunteers to chair and volunteer on committees and working groups in the area of Play.
- To work closely with committees, working groups and individuals within the area of Play.
- To give progress reports to the Executive in advance of Executive team meetings.

Key Tasks

- To work with the Tournament committee to ensure there is a comprehensive calendar of events that caters for our players in line with our target audiences.
- To work with our tournament committee, to innovate with our tournament programme ensuring it is providing opportunities in line with our strategic priorities, for example Generation X.
- To work with our Handicap committee to ensure that players at all levels of the sport have a pathway into competition at an appropriate level.
- To work with our appropriate committees and working groups, providing direction for the equipment used to play Croquet a within our competitions or events.

Time Commitment

Croquet England understands that this is a voluntary role. The post holder and Croquet England will achieve more from the role dependent on the time able to be contributed.

However, the intention of an Assistant Head of Play is to ensure that if cover is needed with Executive team or with committees and the post holder is unavailable there is both continuity and succession planning in place.

Executive Meetings per year - 6

Days outside of Executive team meetings - 12 days (estimate)

How to apply:

If you would like to apply for the role of Head of Play, please send a 1-page letter describing how your skills and experience make you suitable for the role to Paul Brown – paul.brown@croquetengland.org.ukby 5pm on the 16th August.