Surbiton Croquet Club Beginners' Coaching, Lesson 5
Introduction to Association Croquet (4 of 4)

Aim: to complete the introduction to Association Croquet, the meaning and use of bisques, and short (14 point)croquet.

Session 1 (30 mins): **Recap and Introduce Short Croquet**

Introduce review of lessons 2,3&4, aims & objectives of short croquet, handicapping & bisques.

Demonstrate using magnetic board: 4-balls, starting a game (A/B baulk), going first/second, laying tices, use of partner ball, getting innings, show "Aunt Emma" & progressive play.

Apply by asking pupils to choose next shots when:

1 player joined up other player split with the split player to play
Both players joined up with one of the joined up players to play
Player joined up at hoop1 (all clips on hoop 1) other player split, split player to play.

Break building using bisques

Session 2 (30 mins): **Playing Short Croquet**

Introduce as a demonstration of 4-ball croquet using bisques to correct mistakes.

Demonstrate by coach making 4-ball break using bisques to correct (deliberate) errors.

Explain making hoop of nearest ball to hoop, setting pilot & improving position of balls.

Apply in pairs using alternate strokes to make 7 hoops – use bisques & magic foot to achieve objectives.

Repeat with each pupil making 7 hoops under coached supervision.

Mid Session break (10 mins)

Session 3 (60 mins) Short Croquet games

Play 1 on 1 games refereed by coach
Coach asks pupil to explain shots but doesn't correct errors
Use bisques if necessary e.g. 1 per hoop per ball
If time allows, play winner vs winner.

Introduce next lesson: Revision & tournament

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