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# Dundonald conquers Scots croquet world

**DUNDONALD Croquet Club has been officially recognised as the largest croquet club in Scotland – less than eight years after being established.**

On Saturday, April 10 Scottish Croquet Association (SCA) delegates attended a pairs medal at the club based in the village.

The day was well attended with over 60 members competing in a Golf Croquet competition together with five SCA representatives from Glasgow and Edinburgh clubs.

Alan Wilson, SCA Match Secretary, headed the delegation and was very impressed with what had been established in such a short period of time.

The SCA chief confirmed that Dundonald has knocked rivals, Edinburgh Meadows, from the top spot to become the largest croquet club in Scotland by membership.

Dundonald Croquet Club was founded in 2002 by four friends knocking a ball around their gardens.

In 2007 the club set itself up at Newfield, just outside the village, and since then has witnessed an explosion in membership with the total now standing at 98.

The SCA was particularly impressed with the diversity of the membership and the youthful edge that Dundonald brings to the sport.

Although traditionally associated with the landed gentry, croquet has fast become a popular sport and Dundonald epitomises the modern game with young families and children playing alongside adults of all ages.

While the club encourages participation in competitive croquet it also places considerable emphasis on the social benefits and the unique opportunity it provides to bring villagers together.

Dundonald Croquet Club hold various competitions and events throughout the summer, and non-members and guests are always made welcome.

For more information on Dundonald Croquet Club go online to [www.dundonaldcroquetclub.org](http://www.dundonaldcroquetclub.org)

## Young club hosts event

