

## Strokestown Club to be on TV

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Strokestown Park is the destination of a half-hour segment on the interesting Irish travel series *Lesser Spotted Journeys*, which will appear later this year on TV channe Be3.

The show will feature the Irish National Famine Museum and its place in Irish history.

Included will be a segment showing the program's host Joe Mahon playing a round of golf croquet. The filming crew shot for an hour to get just the right angles for the few minutes that will be aired.



Croquet was played on these lawns in 1890's. Cylindrical mallets and boxwood balls are among the original park memorabilia.

The club cooperated by playing in period attire which was appropriate for the setting -- the lovely walled garden of Strokestown Park. Three members shot the hoops with Joe while another four provided background on the second lawn. It was a fun season opener.



Strokestown Park has always been very supportive of the croquet club, welcoming members to use the historic lawns for weekly games.

Playing above left to right are Joe Mahon from *Lesser Spotted Journeys*, James Hoban, Emily Leonard and Grace Rickard, Strokestown Croquet Club. Photos courtesy of Lynne Bye