

# The Carbiner

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#### THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE CARBINE CLUB

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#### The Carbine Club - President's Lunch

On Thursday  $28^{\rm th}$  April, members of The Carbine Club were invited to attend the Melbourne branch's inaugural President's Lunch. Held at Grossi Florentino, this lunch was conceived to get members together over excellent food and wine.

In an unfortunate turn of events President, Andrew Cannon AM was unwell and not able to attend, Adam Sangster picked up the reins to host the day. 30 members filled the glorious Florentino Mural Room to enjoy the camaraderie and conviviality of an intimate member-only lunch.

Leon Wiegard OAM, two time Olympian and sports broadcaster, interviewed select members in an off-the-cuff, table side format.

The gathered crowd were delighted to hear from Campbell and Mal Brown, Gerry Ryan OAM, Geoff Pollard AM, Campbell Rose and club stalwart and senior member, Trevor Craddock.



(Leon Wiegard OAM and Gerry Ryan OAM)

The Carbine Club is looking forward to our next two events, the AGM and lunch on Friday 27 May and the Annual Dinner to be held in late July. Details of the Annual Dinner will be published in The Carbiner.











Pics from top left clockwise:
Leon WiegardOAM & Mal Brown
Trevor Craddock, Leon Wiegard OAM, Fred Bayne
Leon with Campbell Brown
Geoff Pollard AM, Leon & James Tomkins OAM
Rod Fitzroy AM & Campbell Rose AM



#### NORTHERN TERRITORY REPORT

(from Phil Timney, Secretary, CCNT)

Carbine Club of NT returned to Yots Greek Tavern located on the marina at Cullen Bay for the 2022 Annual General Meeting luncheon on Friday 25 March. A fitting venue allowing that the 2020 AGM luncheon was followed the very next day by the COVID lockdowns in Darwin and

across Australia.

President Justin Coleman noted the attendance of Life

Members Andy Bruyn and Peter Bailey. The luncheon also provided the perfect opportunity to acknowledge Andy Bruyn, Peter Bailey, Tony Pickering and Bryan Moroney on achieving 25 years membership of the Northern Territory chapter.

President noted in his annual report that 2021 had been another challenging year, and for many of our members, the past 12 months have been even more challenging than 2020 when the pandemic was first declared.



Unlike in 2020 when the NT Carbine Club calendar was relatively normal, Territorians began to understand what much of the rest of the country had been experiencing with our first lock downs and mask mandates being imposed since the first seven weeks of the pandemic.

Unfortunately the timing of the COVID measures in the NT and elsewhere coincided with our peak tourist season and many of our key Carbine events, impacting on both of our major fundraising lunches (the Supercars and Darwin Cup) and resulting in the cancellation of the Golf Day and AFL President's Dinner.

The President noted that highlights included the Supercars and Darwin Cup lunches "albeit at reduced capacity", and our annual Christmas Dinner all held at the Mindil Beach Resort Casino. The Casino specially opened the iconic Evoo Restaurant for the Christmas dinner, and as Founding Member Ted Bailey noted, coincidentally the venue of the inaugural Carbine Club of NT AGM in 1990.



2022 will see the Carbine Supercars lunch return to the Hidden Valley racecourse on Friday June 17. The function will be held in a new air conditioned facility with spectacular views of the track, allowing guests to enjoy all the live racing action.

Early demand for tickets for the Darwin Cup Carbine lunch has been extremely promising and tickets have already gone on sale in response to the high enquiry.

The 2021 AGM was conducted under the new Constitution for the Carbine Club of the NT where all Committee members were elected for a two year term. There will be a spill of half the Committee at the 2023 AGM.

The Carbine Club of NT official website is now up and running. This is an exciting new initiative for the Club will allow for easy reference and access to upcoming events, ticketing, Carbine newsletters and other important members' information.

Treasurer Denys Stedman noted that the Club remains in a strong financial position, primarily by continuing to maintain cash reserves through a successful year of fundraising coupled with a lower than average number of requests for support due to the continued border restrictions in 2021. As expected, we have already seen an increase in the requests for support in the early part of 2022 and we believe this will continue as borders remain open and competitions and athletes make up for lost time.



The 2022 AGM also saw the induction of four new members – Sean Parnell OAM, Will Johnson, Mick Belis and Andrew Harvey. All were delighted to accept their nominations and this brings our compliment in the Ordinary Member category to 36.

Sincere thanks to our hosts for the day Evan and Anna Papandonakis and staff for the wonderful Greek food and fine wines and the impeccable service. Evan claims that Yots Greek Tavern is the "best Greek restaurant in the world". Not sure of the research behind that claim but his signature chili bugs alone make a visit to Yots a memorable experience.





(Thanks to Phil Timney for the report from CCNT – many members are looking forward to the Cup festivities!)

### **London Update**

Further afield, the excitement surrounding the Lord's Luncheon is mounting – new President Jeff Randall has advised that this year the event will be a Shane Warne Tribute Lunch in honour of the great cricketer who was a Sporting Associate member of the London chapter of the Club as well as his membership in Aus. Jeff says a list of speakers led by former England captain Mike Gatting is being established and they will be set to remind all of why "Warney" was so special, on and off the cricket pitch.

London - 5 July at Lord's

#### **Calendar of Events**

#### The Carbine Club



Friday 27 May – AGM & Lunch, Crown Casino (MO)

Saturday 2 July – Flemington Finals Day, Guests of the VRC (M&P)

Thursday 14 July – Carbine Club Annual Dinner. The Australian Club (M&G)

Thursday 14 July - Delegates Meeting at RACV, 12 noon

Saturday 30 July - Moonee Valley Raceday, Guests of the MVRC (M&P)

Tuesday 20 September - AFL Grand Final Lunch, Crown Casino (M&G)

Friday 28 October – Derby Eve Lunch



#### Australian Capital Territory

Wed 8 June - NRL State of Origin 1 Dinner, Jim Murphy's (MO)

Fri 19 Aug (TBC)- AFL Lunch, National Press Club (M&G)

Fri 7 Oct (TBC) – Tony Campbell Memorial Cup Day, Thoroughbred Park (M&G)

Fri 9 Dec - AGM Lunch, Boardroom Jim Murphy's (MO)

Mon 12 Dec - CC Russell Parkes Memorial Golf Day, Royal Canberra Golf Club (MO)

Mon 12 Dec - Members and Partners Christmas Cocktail Party, RCGC (M&G)





HK Carbine AGM - FRIDAY 27th May 6pm - likely be a Zoom meeting

HK New Members Cocktail - THURSDAY 16th June 6pm - Venue DotCod (if permitted)

HK Rugby 7s Lunch - FRIDAY 4th November - Venue Hong Kong Football Club



#### London

27 May – Annual Golf Day, Royal Mid-Surrey 5 July – Lord's Luncheon (Shane Warne Tribute)

31 October – Sam Vestey Annual Members Dinner & AGM, Alfred Tennyson (TBC)



#### **New South Wales**

27 May - AGM





Thursday 21 July –  $50^{\text{th}}$  Anniversary Dinner, Tote Room, Ellerslie Racecourse

#### Northern Territory



27 or 28 May (tbc) - AFLNT Luncheon, Kantilla's TIO Stadium (M&G)

17 June – V8 Supercars Luncheon, "The Outlook", Hidden Valley Raceway (M&G)

16 July – Derby Day, Darwin Turf Club (M&P-50 max)

29 July – Darwin Cup Luncheon, Darwin Turf Club (M&G- 300 max)

9 September – Founders Lunch, Landmark at Gateway (MO)

21 October - Cox Plate Lunch, PeeWees (M&G 200 max)

9 December - Christmas Dinner (M&P) venue tba

#### Papua New Guinea



Friday 20 May - Members Only Gantry Lunch, PMGFC Gantry

Friday 24 June – Carbine Sportsmans Lunch Commonwealth Games, Hilton Hotel

Friday 22 July - Members Only Italian Lunch, Lamana

Friday 19 August - Members Only Luncheon, Papua Club

Friday 23 September – Carbine Sportsmans Lunch, Rugby League World Cup,

Hilton Hotel

Saturday 22 October - Cox Plate Day, Aviat Club

Friday 18 November – Members Only Lunch, National Football Stadium, Port

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Friday 2 December – Carbine Members Xmas Cocktail Party, Crown Hotel,

POM



#### Queensland

State of Origin 15th June Suncorp Stadium Function Room

Golf Day July

Members only Lunch 17th August, Pineapple Hotel

Cricket October

Christmas Members Lunch 2nd December (MO) Venue Gold Coast TBA

## The Carbine Club of Singapore

Melbourne Cup Tour Lunch: Friday 12th August; Grand Hyatt Welcome Back Formula 1 Lunch: Friday 30th September Grand Hyatt Xmas Lunch: Friday 16th December. Grand Hyatt



#### South Australia

SAJC Luncheon Friday 20th May 2022 (Morphettville)

Members Only Luncheon Wednesday 27th July 2022

SANFL Grand Final Luncheon Thursday 15th September 2022 Adelaide Test Luncheon TBA (Expecting December 2022)



#### Tasmania

17 June – AFL Luncheon



#### Tokyo

Golf Day – May 20th Bledisloe Cup Luncheon – August (date tbd) Melbourne Cup Luncheon – November 1st



#### Vanuatu

(TBA)



#### Western Australia

- 27 May Legends of Sport Luncheon, Hyatt Hotel
- 22 July Wine Tasting Luncheon, Swan Valley
- 12 August Broome Cup Luncheon, Cable Beach Club
- 28 October MO Luncheon, Mayfair Lane
- 18 November Racing Luncheon, Hyatt Regency
- Xx December Cricket Luncheon (details TBC)





FRIDAY JUNE 17, 2022 12.00 - 3.00PM DERWENT ROOM WREST POINT CASINO

TICKETS: \$160.00 INCLUDES 3 COURSE MEAL.BEER. WINE & SOFT DRINKS.

\$30 MEMBER'S NON ATTENDANCE FEE

RSVP: FRIDAY JUNE 10. 2022

