

# The Carbiner

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THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE CARBINE CLUB



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# **PNG**

At the recent PNG members lunch at the Bacchus, Andrew Langley was appointed club strapper for the year and was presented with a handsome trophy.

However, it seems the new fellah, lost sight of his prize mere moments after his appointment, so the club had to go scouring high and low looking for the club mascot,

Although one report had "Carbine" enjoying a gallop on a QLD beach at sunset (pic) member Len Pianta has advised that the wandering trophy has been found and is now safely back in Andrew's hands!



# **CARBINE CLUB OF HONG KONG - NEW MEMBERS DINNER**

The Carbine Club of Hong Kong held its New Members Dinner on the 13th of June at the Hong Kong Cricket Club - Boundary Bar. The event was held to welcome new members George Gladstone, Dave Eustace, Tristan Stewart and Jock Auld to the Club. We also had a returning member in James Hughes who had recently relocated back to Hong Kong from England, and special member Patrick Sullivan was moved up to Ordinary member. The dinner was a special occasion with many current members in attendance, including Club President. Peter Glanville.

The evening began with a few drinks and nibbles as everyone started gathering at the Boundary bar. Shortly after, Peter Glanville welcomed everyone to the event and expressed his delight in welcoming the new members to the Club. He presented 3 of the new members that were present with a Club tie, cufflinks, and a name badge, symbolizing their official induction into the prestigious Carbine Club of Hong Kong. The new members with President Peter Glanville:

George Gladstone



Dave Eustace



Tristan Stewart



Ex-President Andrew Steadson informed the crowd that one of our past Presidents Bruce Stinson had been in hospital for a few weeks after having surgery for some complications. Andrew invited members to record short video clips to cheer Bruce up and help him with his recovery.

The dinner buffet and the roast beef carvery did not disappoint, it was exceptional. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed their meal. As the evening progressed, lively conversations filled the room and upcoming events and activities were discussed. The New Members got a chance to meet and greet everyone and learn more about the club and its history.

In closing the event, President Glanville thanked all the members for attending and making the dinner such a great event. Overall, the New Members Dinner was a resounding success, with all eyes on the next Cricket Lunch in October, to be held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel.





The Boundary Bar (thanks once again to Parshid for the news from HK)

# **London News**

CCLondon President Terry McCaughey reports that the annual Lord's Luncheon was once again a huge success

The event kicked off with the presentation of ties to five new members in William Haggas, Nick Pontt, Nick Woolfitt, Eric Stobart and Mike Gatting. It was then racing's turn when both trainers William Haggas and George Baker were congratulated for their Royal Ascot wins and owner members David Fish and Jim MacHale for their winning horse Get It (trained by George Baker). George featured again when he picked up his trophy for winning the Cheltenham Festival tipping competition, which of course was accompanied by a magnum of Bolly.





Members and guests congregating in the Pavilion where the lunch is about to begin





166 members and guests take their seats

Jeff Randall sitting between Alec Stewart and Mark Ramprakash as the questions roll in

Then came the lunch followed by the Q&A session; the venue, the food, the wines (particularly the Yalumba whites - the Viognier and the Chardonnay), the Q&A and the whole tone of the afternoon made this event very special. Jeff Randall moderated the panel so articulately and eloquently and the two PCT Ambassadors Mark Ramprakash and Alec Stewart were magnificent.

With lunch and proceedings finished a large number of members and guests then headed off to the Taverner's pub at Lord's for a final tipple.

Coming Events: CC London members are looking forward to major events on the calendar; Fri 12 Sep sees the annual golf day at Royal Mid Surrey Club, and the weekend of 3 and 4 October marks the return to Newmarket with a bustling agenda: Starting on the Friday afternoon with a visit to the National Stud, followed by booking into the salacious Jockey Club Rooms, then a drinks reception and guided tour of the many historic paintings and racing memorabilia led by member Stephen Wallis. Dinner follows with guest speaker William Haggas. An early start beckons the Saturday morning with breakfast and a visit to William's Somerville Lodge. After that we will be visiting the British Racing School, the chair of which is member Julia Budd, who is hosting and organising this visit. Then it's off to the races at Newmarket Racecourse on Sun Chariot Day to a private box overlooking the winning post.

And finally, this year (or maybe not - a Rugby event?) we have our AGM Sam Vestey dinner on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November, and it looks like being in a new venue on the Kings Road in Chelsea.





L Guests Aidan Larsen, David Shaw and Robbie Burnett talking with Mark Ramprakash R- Members Deepam Patel standing left and Eric Stobart seated second from right with their guests

The charity for the day was of course the Professional Cricketers' Trust, the amount raised was £5,000.





L-New Member Nick Pontt, centre, with his guests
R-The weather was kind allowing members and guests the opportunity to view the grounds from the balcony while
others visited the famous changing rooms.

# **WA- Legends of Sport Luncheon**

(thanks to Jason Woodchester for news from the West)



The Legends of Sport Luncheon celebrating Western Australia's fast bowlers was held on 27 June at the State Reception Centre, Frasers in Perth.

The event was a relatively intimate event with 200 people in attendance to hear from Test Cricket greats Graham McKenzie and Dennis Lillee with the event hosted by Chanel Nine's Mark Readings. Joining Graham and Dennis on the stage for an open mike discussion was Test Cricketer Jhye Richardson, ODI representative Lance Morris, and WA Cricket representatives Mahli Beardman and Bryce Jackson.

(Pic – Pres Matt Fahey, Dennis Lillee and Treasurer Jason Ferris)

Carbine Club of Western Australia President Matt Fahey welcomed the special guests, members and their guests and discussed the absolute elite level both Graham and Dennis achieved during their careers. New CEO, WA Cricket John Stevenson also spoke at the lunch outlining the new WACA redevelopment and facilities and plans for WA Cricket moving forward. He also mentioned his one and only Test (for England!) where he was out in both innings to the great WA swing bowler Terry Alderman.

Graham and Dennis entertained the crowd with some fantastic cricket memories of the past, and some well received reminiscing of room sharing on Dennis's first tour for Australia in 1970. Between them they represented Australia 130 times and took 601 test wickets. Combined they also played 581 First Class games for a total of 2,101 wickets.

Jhye and Lance discussed the status of their own careers and their path back to representing Australia and are both confident recent injuries are under control and should the opportunity arise, both will be vying for representation at the highest level, while Mahli and Bryce spoke with enthusiasm and motivation to continue their early taste of representative cricket with Western Australia, Australia A and beyond.

There were two auction items on the day with a signed and boxed Gray Nicholls bat signed by the panel going under the hammer to ex Carbine Club of WA President Reg Webb, while a box for 8 at a Scorchers home game throughout the upcoming summer season was picked up by a loyal guest at our lunches - who also bought the Brownlow signed and boxed Sherin football at last year's WAFL grand final lunch. One lucky guest also won a \$9,290 pearl bangle kindly donated by Willie Creek Pearls (Carbine member Rob Banfield), and the WACA donated two signed WA Cricket team bats for the raffle.

The day ended with some quite drinks in the downstairs bar to discuss exactly how good Graham and Dennis were in their day, and to celebrate WA Cricket.





L-Graham McKenzie, Dennis Lillee, Jhye Richardson, Lance Morris

 $R-Mahli\ Beardman,\ Jhye\ Richardson, Graham\ McKenzie, Dennis\ Lillee, Lance\ Morris, Bryce\ Jackson$ 

#### **VALE Eileen Bond**

The Carbine Club of WA was saddened by the recent passing of Eileen Bond. An effervescent presence at Club functions and a dear friend to many. Simply and affectionately known as Red, Eileen was an integral part of The Carbine Club of Western Australia's 40-yr celebration in 2023 of Australia II's victory, a memory those lucky enough to attend will treasure forever.

She also enthusiastically joined in the celebrations at the 2016 Carbine Club International Congress held in Perth and is seen below holding centre stage together with crew members from Australia11with former President Graham Moss at the podium at the Congress event held at the Maritime Museum in Perth.



# **Calendar of Events**



#### The Carbine Club

www.thecarbineclub.org.au

Thu 24th July-CC Delegates meeting, RACV 12 noon; Annual Dinner at 6:30pm
Tuesday 23rd September -AFL Grand Final Luncheon at Crown Palladium from 12 noon
Friday 31st October -VRC Derby Eve Luncheon at Crown Palladium from 12 noon



## Australian Capital Territory

# Hong Kong

www.carbineclubhk.com

12 July- British & Irish Lions, Oolaa Star, Wan Chai 31 Oct – Cricket Luncheon, Hyatt Regency TST 12 Dec – Racing Luncheon TBC Member Golf Day, Clearwater Bay Country Club TBC



#### London

www.carbineclublondon.org.uk

CCL golf day at Royal Mid Surrey Golf Club – 12 September 3 & 4 October – Trip to Newmarket AGM, Sam Vestey and Melbourne Cup Eve dinner, Bluebird Café in Chelsea - Monday 3rd November

#### Manila

www.carbineclubmanila.org



#### **New South Wales**

www.carbineclubnsw.com.au
26 Sep – Rugby League Lunch, Four Seasons



#### New Zealand

www.carbineclubnz.org.nz



# **Northern Territory**

www.carbineclubnt.org.au



## Papua New Guinea

15 Aug – MO Italian Lunch, Lamana 5 Sep – Sportsmans Lunch – 50<sup>th</sup> Independence, Hilton Hotel 25 Oct – Cox Plate Day, Aviat Club Nov/Dec - Members Xmas Cocktail Party TBC



## Queensland

#### www.carbineclubqueensland.com.au

15 August- Members Lunch TBC 2 December - Cricket Lunch Cricketers Club



## Singapore

## www.carbineclub.com.sg

Friday 25th July – Crabs and Cans Locked Door Lunch Friday 12th December – Christmas Lunch



#### South Australia

## www.carbineclubsa.com.au

Members Anniversary Luncheon -18 July at Penfolds Magill Estate Cellars SANFL Grand Final - 18 Sept 2025 Magarey Room Adelaide Oval Date TBC Ashes Test Tuesday 16th December 2025 Magarey Room Adelaide Oval



#### Tasmania

www.carbineclubtasmania.com.au



## **Tokyo**

#### www.carbineclubtokyo.com

Saturday, 27 September – AFL Grand Final casual lunch and livecast Tuesday, 4 November – Melbourne Cup luncheon and livecast Friday, 28 November – Japan Cup luncheon (previewing Sunday's racing)



#### Vanuatu



## Western Australia

#### www.carbineclubwa.com.au

Fri 19 Sep- WAFL Grand Final Luncheon, Optus Stadium Fi 28 Nov- Racing Luncheon, Optus Stadium