



The Carbiner

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CC Congress- Gold Coast 4-11 July!



THE CARBINE CLUB DELEGATES MEETING & ANNUAL DINNER

Delegates from the Carbine Clubs met in Melbourne on Tuesday 10 June, 2014 in the sumptuous surrounds of the RACV to discuss important matters of state over a very fine luncheon and to prepare for the now traditional Annual Dinner at the Australian Club that evening where the room (and attendees!) as always, looked splendid and the mood was upbeat in anticipation of an evening of fine wining, dining, conversation and speeches.



No one was let down and Allan Aylett, to little surprise, while comfortably exceeding his allocated 5 minutes gave an extremely thoughtful, inclusive and heartfelt address in proposing the toast to the Carbine Club. Allan was also celebrating his recent 80th birthday.

Allan was followed by our special guest, Jack Murphy. A friend of CC Secretary, Graham Halbish, Jack (at almost 95), was superbly interviewed by CC Member, Sandy Roberts. Having survived the war and been Sergeant of the Guard at the signing of the Japanese surrender at Morotai, in 1945, Jack regaled

the room with the story of his dramatic collapse during this year's Anzac Day March and his subsequent revival by the paramedics. He also alluded to his encounter along with a mate, on the beach at war's end, with a striking young woman who turned out to be Lady Mountbatten. In the true spirit of keeping matters "in Club", no further details were forthcoming!

All agreed Jack Murphy was a fitting guest and a great character, who was still going strong talking with Kevin Sheedy in the bar at midnight, saying it had been one of the greatest evenings of his life. Kevin, who had very kindly stepped in when original guest speaker, Hawthorn premiership coach Alastair Clarkson was taken ill, was in vintage form and held the room rapt with a stirring and entertaining speech, generously taking several questions as well. All present were most appreciative.

Also stepping up was Michael Christian as MC for the night, following the late withdrawal of our doyen Leon Wiegard, struck down with a very bad cold. Michael did a great job, and at very short notice, which the Club greatly appreciated.



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(Thanks to Graham Halbish, Secretary, The Carbine Club for this story and to Gordon Bennett for the pictorial record which follows)



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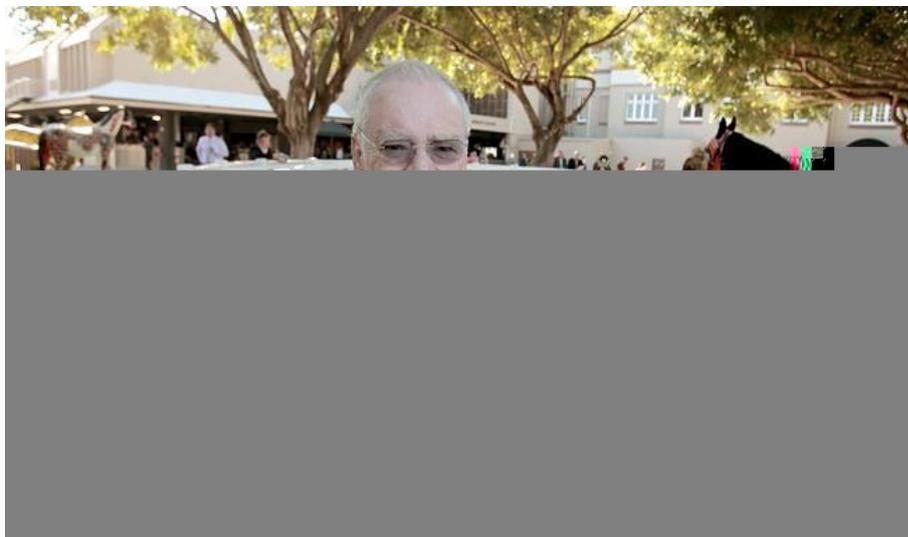
THE CARBINE CLUB OF QUEENSLAND: VALE WAYNE WILSON

The Carbine Club of Queensland recently lost a favourite son with the passing of Associate Member Wayne Wilson after a long battle with cancer. Wayne was a renowned racecaller who was a great Club supporter and an amazing person who was an inspiration to so many people.

Reporting on his passing *The Courier Mail* headline read:

“Turf mourns loss of an inspiration and giant with passing of racecaller Wayne Wilson”.

The report continued *“The late Wayne Wilson will be remembered as one of Australia’s great racecallers, but he should also be hailed as an inspiration to thousands of Australians who battle the insidious disease of cancer.*



Wilson fought cancer for nearly 15 years with the same zeal and passion he approached his career with but without letting it overshadow his everyday life. The disease finally claimed his life at 66. Even after recent brain surgery he returned to working as the on-course interviewer for Brisbane Race Club television.

Wilson underwent more than six operations but never let it stop his love of racing and his family. He was also a pillar of strength for cancer sufferers and their families who would ring him from all around Australia for assurance in their fight.

Wilson was born into a racing family as his father Herbert was a bookmaker in the central Queensland town of Gladstone and his uncle Jack Wilson was one of Queensland’s leading trainers.

He found he had a knack for calling races and began his trade as a 12-year-old at Ferguson Park in Gladstone. It was almost 50 years later he called his last official race at the Deagon picnics in September last year.”

Former CCQLD Secretary Michael O’Brien recalled Wayne as “A good man. I knew him for 40 years and he has been a great supporter of CCQLD for many years also.”

A very sad time with the passing of Wayne Wilson; an extremely good friend and Associate Member of Queensland’s Carbine fellowship. We will miss Wayne. Your phantom calls at our Magic Million lunches were legendary.

(Courtesy of Peter Ladewig Secretary/ Vice President of The Carbine Club of Queensland)

PHOTO: Wayne Wilson at Eagle Farm *Picture: Mark Cranitch Source: News Limited*