



The Carbiner

"For sport and for good fellowship"



THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE CARBINE CLUB

EDITION 16 of 2023- 24 October
International Congress – NT, 2024- Update
WA – WAFL GF Luncheon
Hong Kong – Award for Member Robbie McRobbie, MBE
Tassie News – AGM, Luncheon and more
Coming Club Events



Grant Dewsbury, Chairperson 2024 Congress recently issued some further detail on next year's coming International Congress to be held in Darwin, saying:

"We are thrilled to announce our upcoming International Carbine Congress from 28 June to 2 July 2024 in the captivating city of Darwin, where inclusivity, camaraderie, and an unforgettable experience await you, your partners, and your families.

The Congress will be thoughtfully designed to accommodate both your schedule and budget, allowing you to fully embrace the magic of the "Top End" while fostering lasting fellowship with members from various clubs.

We look forward to welcoming you to the exciting International Congress in Darwin and creating cherished memories together.

Stayed tuned for more information on costs and accommodation options coming soon.

*Kind regards,
Grant Dewsbury".*

Further information will be made available via a mailing list, Club Secretaries and of course thru The Carbiner. If you feel you aren't on the list and wish to get further updates direct, let them know at :

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The Congress Hotel

It's only minutes from Darwin's CBD, but you'll feel like you're a million miles away. Set among the magnificent tropical beachside gardens overlooking Fannie Bay, Mindil Beach Casino Resort delivers an exceptional premium accommodation experience to the Top End.

Relax and take advantage of magnificent dining with award-winning restaurants and bars on site. Chill out in the beautiful pool, laze on our private white sand beach, and then be spoiled for choice with our fantastic entertainment offerings.

Take full advantage of our picturesque surroundings and extensive facilities on offer. Meanwhile, our friendly staff is available 24-hours-a-day to make your stay comfortable, enjoyable and memorable.



Program of Events

DAY 1 - Friday 28 June

Sunset Drinks & Welcome Dinner @ Pee Wees on the Point

DAY 2 - Saturday 29 June

Morning shopping and/or Parap Markets

Afternoon - Carbine Race Day - Darwin Turf Club

Evening - Dinner at leisure - special deals available at selected venues

DAY 3 - Sunday 30 June

Touring - there will be many touring options available via a custom landing page specifically designed for delegates and their partners

VIP Dinner at Mindil Beach Sunset Markets

DAY 4 - Monday 1 July

Touring options as above.

Territory Day Gala Dinner - beachfront lawns of Mindil Beach Casino Resort complete with fireworks.

DAY 5 - Tuesday 2 July

Breakfast - Royal Flying Doctor/Bombing of Darwin Facility at Stokes Hill Wharf Morning Shopping - Aboriginal Art Galleries/Paspaley Pearls Jewellery/ Arly Rae Crocodile Products

Guests Depart Darwin

Carbine Club of Hong Kong's Robbie McRobbie awarded MBE

(Andrew Steadson reports from CCHK)

In Hong Kong on 13th October 2023, a long overdue, covid-delayed ceremony was held at the British Consulate to celebrate Hong Kong Rugby Union Chief Executive Robbie McRobbie being awarded a Member of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire (MBE) in the 2019 New Year's Honours List for his services to philanthropy and UK-Hong Kong relations.

Since 2003, when Robbie first joined the HKRU from the police force, he has been developing programmes to utilise sport as a social tool. For example, he has worked with Operation Breakthrough, set up by current and former police officers, which helps at-risk youngsters find meaning through sport.

"Prior to Operation Breakthrough, there wasn't much understanding of how sport could be a tool for social change," McRobbie said. "But now there's a much wider acceptance and a lot of great charities in Hong Kong."

He continued to push the "sport-for-development" agenda during his time with the Hong Kong Rugby Union supported by UK-based NGOs such as Laureus Sport for Good Foundation, PeacePlayers International, Active Communities Network and Spirit of Soccer.

With the HKRU, McRobbie has set up a programme for deaf rugby players. A team competed in the first major international deaf rugby tournament in Australia in 2018 and many of the players have gone on to join mainstream clubs.

Robbie, has been a long standing Carbine Club member and committeeman regularly stepping up as Master of Ceremonies Carbine Club Rugby and Cricket Lunches. Carbine Club President, Andrew Steadson said, "Robbie has been a wonderful ambassador for sport and its ability to change lives and this prestigious award is a most fitting way to recognise his enormous contribution to those outcomes in our Hong Kong Community"



Robbie McRobbie being recognised for the award of his MBE (13th October 2023)

Western Australia -WAFL Grand Final Luncheon

CCWA was very pleased to entertain over 450 guests at it's Annual WAFL luncheon at the Hyatt Hotel in Perth on Friday, 22 September 2023.

M.C. WA media personality Tim Gossage provided excellent guidance throughout the afternoon, which was headlined with special guest North Melbourne coach, Alastair Clarkson. The Kangaroo's coach gave some powerful insights into his recent AFL journey and keep the crowd intrigued with his historical links to the WA football fraternity.

Tim, with the support of Graham Moss, 1976 Brownlow medallist, presented Carbine Club medals to 2023 Sandover medallist, Hamish Brayshaw (brother to Andrew, Will and Angus) and WAFLW Dhara Kerr medallist winner, Jayme Harken.

Club coaches and Captains of East Fremantle and Peel Thunder provided robust discussion on their outlook of how they expected the grand final to unfold. The final was won some 2 days later by East Fremantle winning by 39 points.

Well known comedian Marty Fields rounded off the event with his usual rapid-fire humour and keep the crowd thoroughly entertained.



Top Left -Graham Moss with2023 Sandover Medalist Hamish Brayshaw

Top right – Matt Priddis, 2014 Brownlow Medalist with 2023 Sandover Medalist Hamish Brayshaw

Left- Tim Gossage with East Fremantle coach Bill Monaghan, East Fremantle captain Jarrad Jensen, Peel Thunder captain Ben Hancock and Peel Thunder coach Geoff Valentine



*L-Jayme Harkin 2023 WAFLW Medalist with Graham Moss
R- Noel Carter 1981 Richmond premiership player with WA football commissioner Dixie Marshall*

(More pics over)





North Melbourne coach Alastair Clarkson with 2023 Sandover medalist, Hamish Brayshaw

CCWA President Matt Fahey with Ian Sandover representing the Sandover family with Alastair Clarkson

Tasmania News

AGM

CCTAS held the AGM on Friday October 20th at Hobart’s Wrest Point where office bearers Steve Adermann (President), Wendy Kennedy (Deputy), Ross Burridge (Secretary) and Paul Fallon (Treasurer) were all reelected unopposed. Well-known local identity, businessman Hank Petrusma joined the committee replacing Mike Davie who retired after many years of valuable service to the Club. In thanking Mike, President Steve noted that Mike was not to be lost to the Club and he will be soon elevated to the ranks of Senior Membership.

Sports Luncheon

Following the AGM, the Club held a Sports Luncheon where guest speaker was Scott Roth, coach of Tasmania’s NBL team, the Jack Jumpers. Scott was an inspiring speaker as he responded to a wide range of questions posed by Triple M’s “Tubes” Taylor. A former NBA player himself who played against the likes of Michael Jordan and Le Bron, and followed that with a globetrotting coaching career, the revealing of Scott’s insights and values clearly demonstrated why the Jack Jumpers quickly became a force to be reckoned with on the national basketball scene. Also present on the day was a Club Sponsorship recipient in Nayte Taylor who was interviewed by Ally Bradley. Nayte told us a little about his team and their winning effort at the recent World Dwarf Games in Cologne where the Aussies defeated the USA to bring home the gold! Supported by his mum Tameeka on the day, Nayte was probably a little sheepish to discover that the Principal from his school, St Virgil’s College, was in the audience, and more so because mum had forgotten to advise the school of his absence for the day.

Thoroughbred Awards

CCTAS was well represented at the Annual Thoroughbred Awards Night in Launceston, Tas on 16 October – CCTAS Secretary Ross Burridge in his Tas Hall of Fame role presented inducted fellow Carbine Club member Glenn Phair into the Hall of Fame and President Steve Adermann presented the CCTAS sponsored Encouragement Award to apprentice Chloe Wells.



Glenn Phair with CCTAS Secretary Ross Burridge



Chloe Wells with CCTAS President Steve Adermann

Two Major Coming Events in Tas

CCTAS has two functions on the radar which are sure to prove popular: the first is a Cricket Luncheon to be held on 1 December at Hobart's Crowne Plaza where Sir Ian Botham will tell of his cricketing days, and then in Feb, 2024 the Club holds it's Racing Luncheon at Elwick where the guest speaker will be renowned (and by then retired) jockey Damien Oliver. This luncheon is followed by the running of a twilight race meeting which features the Tasmanian Derby and also The Carbine Club Plate – members and their guests get to keep their “rails position” at their tables in the grandstand for the races, a bonus addition to the Club event.



London Calling!

The Lord's Luncheon in the Long Room is one of those events on so many bucket lists and always attracts a good representation from travelling Carbiners.

The Carbine Club of London have advised that the Lord's Luncheon in 2024 will be held on 2 July – add it to your diary now, and for those visiting members, get in early for the travel arrangements!

Calendar of Events

The Carbine Club



3 Nov – VRC Derby Eve Luncheon at Crown Palladium from 12 noon
12 Dec – Members Xmas Lunch

Australian Capital Territory



Mon 4 Dec – 11th Carbine Club Russell Parkes Memorial Golf Day, Royal Canberra Golf Club (MO)
Fri 8 Dec – AGM/Christmas Lunch – National Press Club (MO)

Hong Kong



International Racing Luncheon - Grand Hyatt Hong Kong - 8th December 2023
Hong Kong Rugby Sevens Luncheon - Hong Kong Football Club - 5th April 2024

London



6 November- AGM & Dinner, Bluebird Restaurant, Chelsea

2024 Events

5 March 2024 – Cheltenham Dinner, OXO Tower Restaurant

Brigadier Gerard evening at Sandown Park 23/5/24

Golf Day May TBC

Lord's luncheon in the Long Room 2/7/24

New South Wales



New Zealand



Northern Territory



27 Oct – Cox Plate Lunch, Breezes at Muirhead M&G

1 Dec – Christmas Dinner, Darwin Turf Club (includes twilight racing) M&P

Papua New Guinea



28 Oct Saturday-Cox Plate Day, Aviat Club

3 Nov Saturday-MO Lunch, NFS Lounge

24 Nov- Members Xmas Cocktail Party, Royal Papua Yacht Club - Gantry



Queensland

2 Nov- Cricket Lunch, Queensland Cricketers Club in the Glass Viewing Room
 7 Dec- Members Lunch, Manos, Gold Coast
 8 Jan 2024- Magic Millions, Star Casino Broadbeach



Singapore

Friday 15th December: 'Xmas Lunch'; Grand Hyatt, Singapore.



South Australia

1 Dec – Celebration of Cricket Luncheon, Adelaide Oval



Tasmania

1 December – Cricket with Sir Ian Botham, Crown Plaza
 2024 -Derby Day Luncheon at the Races!

Friday, Feb 9...Club Luncheon followed by twilight race meeting including Tas Derby & Carbine Club Plate -Elwick Racecourse



Tokyo

7 November – Melbourne Cup



Vanuatu

27 October - Charity Sports Evening, Convention Centre



Western Australia

Friday 24 November Racing Luncheon- (Full Tables) Hyatt Regency Perth



THE CARBINE CLUB
 QUEENSLAND

Bill Brown Medal Award

Queensland Cricketer's Club
 The Gabba, 411 Vulture Street, East Brisbane
Thursday 2 November 2023
 11.45am - 3.45pm

Cost: \$190 per person

Dress: Coat, tie and name badges for members

MC and Special Guest Speaker:

Ian Healy (MC) and Cricket Legend, Greg Chappell

Special Guest:

Crash Craddock will be interviewing former cricketing greats as well as presenting the Bill Brown Medal

Bookings:

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RSVP: Thursday 18 October 2023
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