



The Carbiner

"For sport and for good fellowship"

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE CARBINE CLUB



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SA -AGM ~thanks to Neville Mead, CCSA Secty

ACT Racing Lunch ~ thanks to Michael Heath, CCACT Secty

NT- A Proud First ~thanks to Danielle Morrow, Carbiner correspondent

Calendar of Events

South Australia - AGM

Club President, Eric Granger, guided 33 Members through a succinct AGM which, as tradition, was held at the Arkaba Hotel with mine host, Peter Hurley AO, in attendance. Once again, those who attended enjoyed a superb Luncheon along with fine wines from our sponsors, after completion of formalities.

Highlights of the AGM were Tony Flanagan and Joe Stevens OAM, transferred to Senior Membership status; Ben Williams, Kevin Gallagher and Garth Hall were accepted as new Members while five members were awarded 25-year Medallion Awards namely, David Basheer, Peter Brien, Chris Clarke, Greg Fahey and John Firth. John and Chris were present to accept their award, and we will catch up with David, Peter and Greg at a future function.



L-R John Firth, Chris Clarke, Eric Granger

President, Eric Granger, included a number of points in his letter to Members which provided an overview of 2025, this also included the level of funds raised for Charities through the year amounting to \$78,750 plus the youth Sporting Scholarships for Apprentice Jockeys, Paralympics, AFL and Cricket totalling \$20,000.

Luncheon Co-ordinator, Ilona Tamm and Accounts Facilitator, Sue Koch were acknowledged for the support they provide for the organisation of our luncheons, a great team effort.

Always an enjoyable get together.

ACT Racing Lunch 5 March 2026

The annual Carbine Club of the ACT Racing Lunch was a huge success with a full room in attendance at the National Press Club.

Gai Waterhouse was typically 'amazing'; she was joined by Tracey Holmes to discuss a broad range of topics with our moderator Paul Walshe who once again proved to be a valuable asset to the whole event!

The Club introduced three new members, Gary Crispe (from Racing and Sports), Kathryn Conroy and Samantha Zdjelar. The ladies were joined by existing member Steff Lovett and Gai for an informal introduction.



L-R Stef, Gai, Sam, Kath

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A Proud First for Carbine Club of NT

Recently the Carbine Club of NT was delighted to welcome a new member, Rhys Griffiths, marking a very special milestone in the Club's history. Rhys becomes the first third generation member, following in the footsteps of his grandfather, former President Dick Griffiths, and his father, committeeman Brad Griffiths.

The Club is built on the shared tenets of sport, community and fellowship, values that continue to bring members together across generations. The Griffiths family exemplifies these values. Their long-standing connection reflects not just a shared interest, but a commitment to the relationships and spirit that define the Club. To now see three generations represented within the membership is something truly special and a moment worth recognising.

Dick's successful terms as President mirror his long term and unique associations within Darwin's business, sporting and cultural communities. As former Chair and now long-term patron of the Chung Wah Association, his involvement was extraordinary in its day. Dick married into one of Darwin's pre-eminent Chinese families and proudly supported his late wife, Rosemary, in maintaining cultural ties that helped shape Northern Australia. He also continues a long and successful association with racing in the Territory.

Brad, following the example set by his parents and particularly his father, has been a member since 2018 and is a strong contributor to the Club. Like Dick, his ties across business, community and cultural sectors have made him a valued presence within the membership. We now warmly welcome Rhys to Carbine Club of NT and look forward to seeing him continue the family legacy for many years to come, doubtlessly shaped by Grandad's love of a tale and a good red, Dad's strong support, and with two generations watching on. Good luck, mate.














L-R Rhys, Dick & Brad

CCNT also welcomes recently appointed President Cameron McNally

Calendar of Events

	<p>The Carbine Club www.thecarbineclub.org.au</p> <p>6 May - Annual Meeting and Members Lunch, Garden Rooms, Crown Towers 12 noon 16 May - VRC Committee Room Invitation-Andrew Ramsden Raceday 21 July -Annual Dinner (venue tbc) at 6.30 preceded by Delegates Meeting, RACV @ 12 noon. 22 Sept - AFL Grand Final Lunch, Crown Palladium from 12 noon 30 Oct -VRC Derby Eve Luncheon, Crown Palladium from 12 noon</p>
	<p>Australian Capital Territory</p> <p>17 Jun - State of Origin (2) dinner Aug- Canberra Raiders Charity Lunch Sep- GWS AFL Lunch Oct- Russell Parkes Memorial Golf Day Dec - AGM</p>
	<p>Hong Kong www.carbineclubhk.com</p> <p>17 Apr-Rugby 7's Lunch, 21 May-AGM, XX Jun (TBC)- New Members Dinner, Oct/Nov (TBC)-Cricket Sixes Lunch, Hyatt Regency TST 11Dec- Int Racing, Grand Hyatt</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">London www.carbineclublondon.org.uk 5 Nov – Rugby Lunch</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Manila www.carbineclubmanila.org</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">New South Wales www.carbineclubnsw.com.au</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">New Zealand www.carbineclubnz.org.nz</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Northern Territory www.carbineclubnt.org.au 29 May – Golf Day, Palmerston Golf Club M&G 19 Jun – V8 Supercars-Motorsports House, Hidden Valley M&G 31 Jul- Darwin Cup- Beachside Pavillion, Mindil Beach Casino M&G 4 Sep – Founders Lunch, Yots Greek Taverna MO 23 Oct- Cox Plate, Wharf One M&G</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Papua New Guinea</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Queensland www.carbineclubqld.com.au 10 April – Race Night – see flyer last page.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Singapore www.carbineclub.com.sg 17 Jul – Singapore Food Festival Lunch 4 Dec- Christmas Lunch</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">South Australia www.carbineclubsa.com.au Racing Luncheon – Thursday 7th May at SAJC “Wolf Bass “The Man” Function Centre Members Anniversary Luncheon – Friday 24th July 2026 Coopers Brewery Function Facility Regency Park SANFL Thursday 17th September 2026 Adelaide Oval December 16th – Adelaide Test Luncheon Aus/NZ 2027-16 March- LIV Golf Luncheon</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Tasmania www.carbineclubtasmania.com.au 14 May – Members +1 drinks evening – 41 Wellington St NOHO 21 June – Raceday 16 Oct – AGM & Luncheon</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Tokyo www.carbineclubtokyo.com 3 Apr- Charity Golf Day 26 Sep – AFL GF Lunch 3 Nov – Japan Cup Preview Luncheon</p>



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SILKS UNDER THE STARS

with the Carbine Club



A RACE NIGHT LIKE NO OTHER

*Join us for an unforgettable evening of racing,
entertainment and premium hospitality under the stars.*

DATE	VENUE
Friday, 10 April	GCTC-Corporate Level, Level 2
TIME	TICKETS
From 4:00 pm	\$250 per guest

YOUR TICKET INCLUDES:

- * Gold buffet dinner
- * Five-hour beverage package, including basic spirits
- * Thrilling racing action throughout the evening

EVENT SCHEDULE

- * Gates open: 4:00 pm
- * Function rooms open: 4:00 pm
- * Venues close: 9:45 pm
- * GG's Bar & Entertainment: open until late



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