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London News – Lord's Luncheon 2027

The Lord's Luncheon in association with Test Cricket is a popular event that always attracts great interest right across the Clubs. The team in the UK were very disappointed that the Carbine Club could not be catered for at Lord's in 2026, but CCLondon President Terry McCaughey has told of the latest developments for 2027. Terry advises:

"We now know the dates for the Lord's Ashes test next year. Play will start on Wednesday 30th June and run through to its conclusion on 4th July whichever comes first. Knowing the date of the test is the start but now we wait with bated breath for availability in the week prior to the test. We have already requested the Thursday, Wednesday and Friday in that order of priority. I will let you know as soon as hear which days the ECB will be allowing Lord's to allocate".

No doubt Terry will keep us posted.

CCWA Members Honoured



(Thanks to Jarrod Ryan, CCWA Secretary, for this update from WA)

West Australia's Claremont Football Club recently celebrated the 100th anniversary of the Club including the naming of the club's Team of the Century recognising the finest players to have represented the Club throughout the proud 100-year history and selected from the thousands of players who have worn the navy and gold since the Club's inception in 1926.

The team includes two current members of the Carbine Club of WA in Graham Moss, (Brownlow Medallist and a Life Member of CCWA), and dual Sandover medallist Jye Bolton.

Congratulations to Graham and Jye.

CCSA Members Anniversary Luncheon Friday 24th July 2026

Members and Sponsors of the CCSA were invited to Celebrate the 43rd Anniversary which was held at the Private function Room at Coopers Brewery Regency Park SA.



Graham Halbish and Eric Granger

We were delighted to have Jess Adamson MC the event and introduce CCSA President Eric Granger who welcomed Members and Sponsors to the smaller but close-knit luncheon where Members and Sponsors can enjoy each other's company. Eric noted our thoughts are with Member, Tony Modra and his family. Tony played AFL for Adelaide and Fremantle but suffered a life-threatening accident in the hills when a tree branch broke off and smashed into the front window of his truck in June 2026. Tony is now at home recovering. Eric provided a brief overview of the Carbine Club Delegates meeting in Melbourne on 21st July, and noted the retirement of Carbine Club Secretary Graham Halbish, Eric presented Graham with a bottle of 2017 Penfolds Grange in recognition and support provided to CCSA during his 16 years as Secretary; Graham was very appreciative.



Eric also recognised Member, The Hon Rob Kerin on his recent Officer of The Order of Australia, well deserved.

This was also an opportune time to welcome two new Members, Kevin Gallagher and Ben Williams who will be valued Members of CCSA going forward.

L-R Ben Williams, Kevin Gallagher, Eric Granger

It has been a practice at the Members Anniversary Luncheon to interview a member and given we were at Coopers Brewery, why not Glenn Cooper AM.

Glenn was the marketing Manager for many years prior to being Chairman for 16 years. The new Visitor and Function Centre was the last expense Glenn signed off on for in his role as Chairman and he is enjoying his retirement. Jess Adamson conducted a superb interview with Glenn being very open on a number of matters including the hostile takeover that was thwarted many years ago, naturally details of the interview cannot go to print but it certainly entertained those present. Glenn was presented with a CCSA presentation pack.



L-R Jess Adamson, Glenn Cooper AM, Eric Granger

Guest speaker for the day was Graham Cornes OAM, (pic right). Graham played a total of 369 games for Glenelg, South Adelaide and North Melbourne, 21 State Games for South Australia, coached a total of 395 games for South Adelaide, Glenelg, South Australia and Adelaide Football Club being the inaugural coach from 1991 -94. Graham, who still has a radio programme in Adelaide spoke on his Football career, personal life and the joy of watching his two sons enjoy an AFL premiership with Port Adelaide in 2004. Graham also spoke of his time in Vietnam when doing National Service with 7th Battalion of the Royal Australian Regiment, not an easy part of his life to speak openly about. He also shared his appreciation of the support he received from Glenelg Football Club when his National Service was completed. Needless to say, a very attentive and appreciative audience. Eric presented Graham with a Magnum of Coopers aged Ale, a highly sought after item. Graham is a non-drinker but one would assume his sons will enjoy the drop.



The benefitting Charity of the day was Kick Start 4 Kids who provided a number of wines along with a bottle of Coopers Aged Ale as the raffle prizes. A small luncheon but the Charity was assured of raising \$5K on the day.



(Thanks to Neville Mead, CCSA Secretary for news from SA)

Calendar of Events

	The Carbine Club www.thecarbineclub.org.au 22 Sept – AFL Grand Final Lunch, Crown Palladium from 12 noon 30 Oct -VRC Derby Eve Luncheon, Crown Palladium from 12 noon
	Australian Capital Territory Sep- GWS AFL Lunch Oct- Russell Parkes Memorial Golf Day Dec – AGM
	Hong Kong www.carbineclubhk.com 30 Oct-Cricket Sixes Lunch, Hyatt Regency TST 11Dec- Int Racing, Grand Hyatt
	London www.carbineclublondon.org.uk 2 Nov- AGM, Walmer Castle' Notting Hill 5 Nov – Rugby Lunch, Brasserie Blanc, Threadneedle St
	Manila www.carbineclubmanila.org
	New South Wales www.carbineclubnsw.com.au 25 Sep- NSW Rugby League Luncheon- Maritime Ballroom, Hyatt Regency
	New Zealand www.carbineclubnz.org.nz

	Northern Territory www.carbineclubnt.org.au 4 Sep – Founders Lunch, Yots Greek Taverna MO 23 Oct- Cox Plate, Wharf One M&G
	Papua New Guinea 4 Sep- Sportsmans Lunch TBC, Kutubu Convention Centre (Hilton Hotel) 24 Oct – Cox Plate Day, Aircon Bar (Aviat Club) TBA Nov/Dec Members Xmas Cocktail Party, TBC
	Queensland www.carbineclubqld.com.au 8 Oct- Cricket Lunch, Queensland Cricket Club
	Singapore www.carbineclub.com.sg 4 Dec- Christmas Lunch
	South Australia www.carbineclubsa.com.au SANFL Thursday 17th September 2026 Adelaide Oval December 16th – Adelaide Test Luncheon Aus/NZ 2027-16 March- LIV Golf Luncheon
	Tasmania www.carbineclubtasmania.com.au 20 Nov – AFL Luncheon Early Dec- Xmas Drinks
	Tokyo www.carbineclubtokyo.com 26 Sep – AFL GF Lunch 3 Nov – Melbourne Cup Luncheon 27 Nov- Japan Cup Preview Luncheon
	Vanuatu
	Western Australia www.carbineclubwa.com 18 Sept- WAFL Grand Final Luncheon, Riverview Room, Optus Stadium (TBC) 20 Nov- Racing Luncheon, Residence on Langley Park (previously Hyatt)

September – ‘Footy Month’

September sees the ‘footy’ season draws to a close in Australia with some major events on the calendar: WA and SA celebrate their respective league competitions with major luncheons, it’s time for the big one in Melbourne at Crown which follows on from the presentation of the Brownlow Medal the previous night at Crown, taking advantage of all the amazing room has to offer and usually including a visit from the newly decorated Brownlow winner.

In Sydney the Club celebrates the NRL season with a special luncheon in The Maritime Ballroom of the Hyatt Regency on 25 September.

Don’t forget, ALL Clubs welcome ALL members to join in the celebrations!

17th September - SANFL Adelaide Oval

18 Sept- WAFL Grand Final Luncheon, Riverview Room, Optus Stadium

22 Sept – AFL Grand Final Lunch, Crown Palladium

25 Sep- NSW rugby League Luncheon- Maritime Ballroom, Hyatt Regency

xx Sep- CCACT event - GWS AFL Lunch

The fun is not restricted to Australia: **Tokyo** has a Grand Final luncheon on **26 Sept** whilst in PNG, not to be restricted to footy, **CCPNG** will hold a Sportsmans Luncheon on **4 September!**

