



THIS NEWSLETTER CONTAINS NEW INFORMATION



Papua New Guinea may have never come into your plans for an overseas trip. Now you have a compelling reason to visit Port Moresby and other locations within this fabulous country.

May 16 - 21, 2018

FOR A VISUAL INTRODUCTION TO PAPUA NEW GUINEA

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FROM PNG MINISTRY OF SPORTS, PACIFIC GAMES & NATIONAL EVENTS



Ministry of Sports, Pacific Games & National Events

2nd December, 2016

Mr. Lloyd Meredith
Chairman Carbine Congress
C/O Carbine Club of Australia

Dear Lloyd,

On behalf of the Prime Minister of Papua New Guinea Hon. Peter O'Neill and the PNG Government I would like to thank you for selecting Port Moresby as the destination for your 2018 Congress. Papua New Guinea continues to experience a transformation and part of that exciting journey has been the staging of a number of major events in our country.


Starting with the Pacific Games in 2015 where we hosted more than 6000 athletes from across the Pacific including Australia and New Zealand we have hosted the ECP Leaders meeting, World Cup Women's U19 Soccer Cup and numerous smaller events that have been staged in our wonderful new facilities and delegates accommodated in a range of refurbished and new hotel rooms across the city. We will host 3 World Cup Games in 2017 and of course the major showcase will be the hosting the APEC Leaders meeting in November 2018.

As Minister for Sports and National Events I am aware of the support the Carbine Club of PNG gives to our athletes and to have Carbine Delegates and their partners from around the World visiting our country is a tremendous endorsement of where PNG is heading. Rest assured you will be afforded every convenience and protocol through our National Events Council and the health and safety of your delegation is our propriety.

Beyond Port Moresby PNG is host to some of the most remarkable Flora and Fauna exhibits in the world encased in unforgettable scenery and supported by diverse cultures and 800 different languages that date back over 50,000 years of habitation by our Melanesian peoples. I trust some of your delegates will avail themselves of the opportunity to visit location after the congress.

I am looking forward to the opportunity to meet with the Delegation during your visit and wish you every success with your planning.

Warm Regards,


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Hon. Justin W. Tkatchenko, BEM OL, MP
Minister for Sports, National Events & APEC 2018

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SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE CONGRESS CHAIRMAN

The Carbine Club of Papua New Guinea, under the guidance of their hardworking Congress Committee led by Peter Aitsi and Stan Joyce, has put together a truly sensational Programme of Events, supported by outstanding accommodation, to showcase Port Moresby to the rest of "The Carbine Club World".

Port Moresby is an exciting city experiencing unprecedented growth and change. Come in May 2018 before the change is overwhelming and the past is gone forever.

SECURITY

I know from moving around various Carbine Clubs, and from phone discussions with Members, that safety is a concern to many.

Our Congress **WILL BE SAFE!** You will simply not find a more secure hotel than THE AIRWAYS, and as we move around the various Congress events your safety is assured. My wife Jan (known to all previous Congress attendees) accompanied me on my most recent visit to Port Moresby. **At no stage** did Jan feel concerned about her safety, and we were travelling in a car rather than a convoy of coaches! In November 2018 (six months after our congress) Port Moresby hosts the APEC Meetings. This is itself a ringing endorsement of the safety factor.

THE CONGRESS PROGRAMME

Not only will our Congress be safe, it will also open your eyes to parts of life in and around Port Moresby that are not accessible to the tourist...

- Meet the Governor-General at Government House
- Meet the Prime Minister at Parliament House
- Participate in a moving service of remembrance at Bomana War Cemetery
- Visit the Kokoda Track and learn more of the wartime feats of 1942
- Enjoy a unique lunch on Fisherman's Island in Port Moresby Harbour
- Participate in a celebration of PNG Life at our Grand Finale
- Plus more

So please come to Port Moresby for these experiences and the chance to mix with, and befriend, Members from all 14 Carbine Clubs spread around the world. You are not only a member of your particular Carbine Club, but you are also a Member of a truly **international organisation sharing common aims and ideals.**

I look forward to greeting **YOU** in Port Moresby on May 16 next year!

Lloyd Meredith
CONGRESS CHAIRMAN
April 2017



CONGRESS COSTS

CONGRESS COSTS (INCLUDING ACCOMMODATION AT THE AIRWAYS HOTEL)

"WING" ROOM

\$A2800 per person Twin Share
\$A3460 for a Single

JUNIOR SUITE

\$A3200 per person Twin Share
\$A4000 for a Single

DAKOTA SUITE

\$A3600 per person Twin Share
\$A4800 for a Single

AVAILABILITY OF SUITES

Both types of Suites are VERY LIMITED

There are 16 Junior Suites and only 6 Dakota Suites
THESE WILL BE ALLOCATED STRICTLY ON A "FIRST COME" BASIS

WHAT DOES YOUR CONGRESS FEE COVER?

- ACCOMMODATION from May 16 to 20 inclusive (out May 21)
- Full Breakfast every day, including May 21
- All costs for every Congress activity

DEPOSITS

\$A750 PER HEAD is required to be paid by 15 June 2017
Your FINAL BALANCE is required to be paid by 1 March 2018

TRAVEL COSTS

The PORT MORESBY CONGRESS FEE does NOT include any
air travel costs - these are your responsibility.



OUR CONGRESS HOTEL

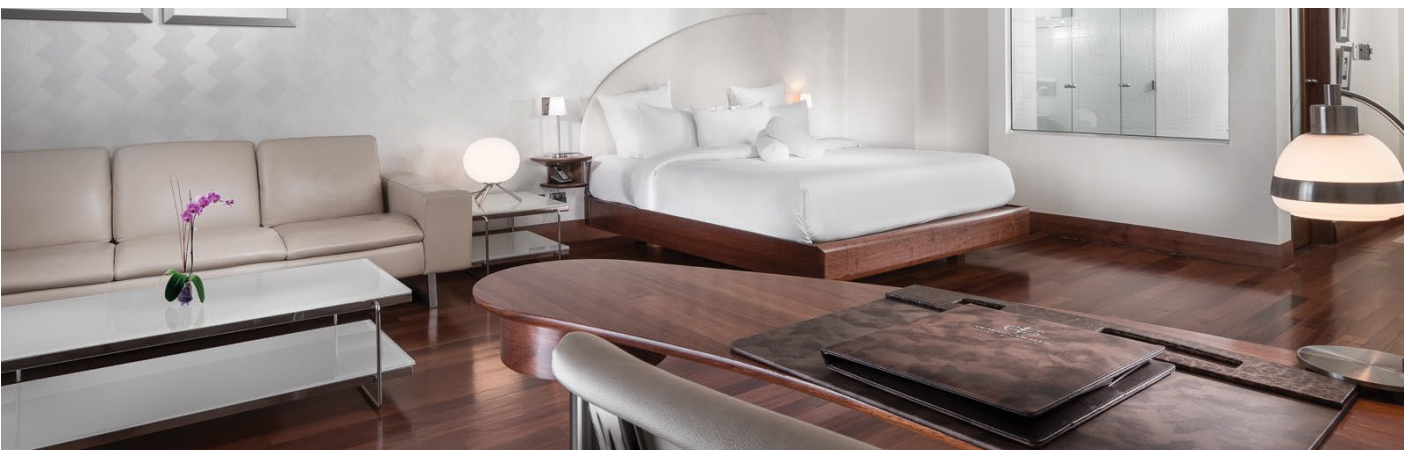
THE AIRWAYS HOTEL

AIRWAYS is one of the world's most awarded hotels.
As their website states: "there is simply nothing like Airways".

From the moment you enter the gates of this "boutique-style" hotel which is set in botanical gardens you will be enveloped by a feeling of serenity.

AIRWAYS has hosted royalty, leaders of government from around the world, and captains of industry – the photographs of many of these people adorn the walls of the entrance lobby.

For the duration of the Congress, Carbine Club delegates will occupy the majority of rooms in the hotel, giving us a feeling of ownership, coupled with the friendly warmth of Joint Managers, Sushil and Mel Gordon. You are guaranteed a never to be forgotten experience.





OUR CONGRESS HOTEL

CHOICE OF ROOMS

You have a choice of 3 room types

1. WING ROOM
2. JUNIOR SUITE
3. DAKOTA SUITE

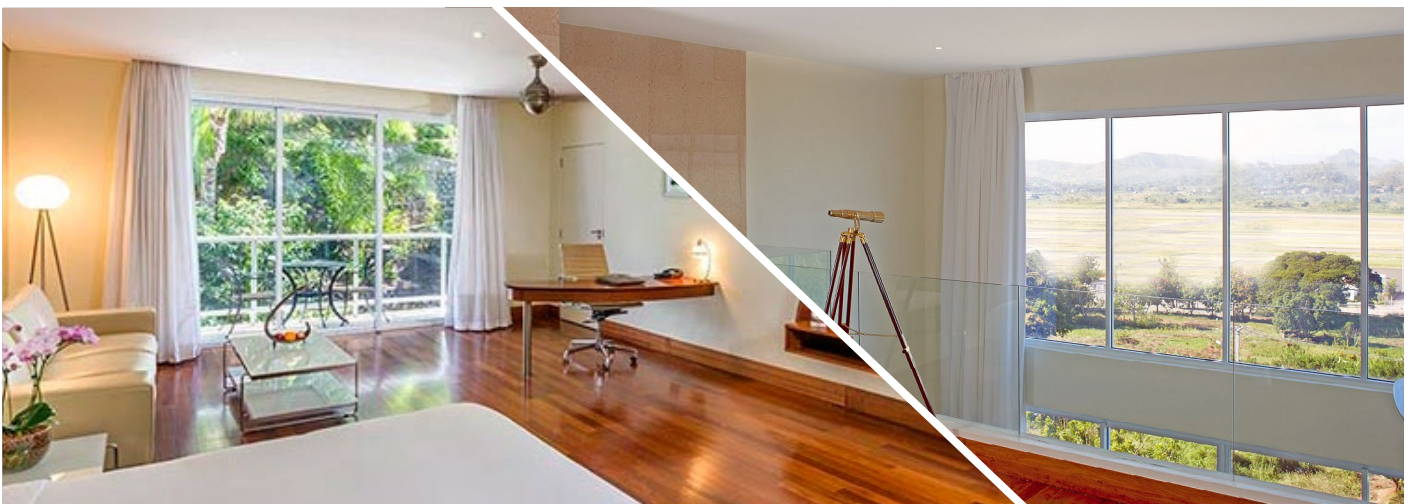
A FULL BREAKFAST is provided each morning in VUE RESTAURANT located by the pool at the highest part of the complex

AIRWAYS provides this generous list of benefits for every room:

In-Room Wi-Fi browsing
Nespresso coffee machine
All day tea, coffee and cookies
Daily newspapers
4 pieces of laundry free per day
(not dry cleaning)

EXTRA BENEFITS FOR SUITES

Premium Wi-Fi
Unlimited free laundry
Bottle of sparkling wine on arrival
25% discount on spa treatments
Bvulgari bathroom amenities





OUR CONGRESS HOTEL

A special part of each INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS is our
CARBINE CLUB SUNSET BAR within the Hotel.

AIRWAYS will be providing a perfect location for this event,
to be held on the Thursday and Saturday nights.

This is where you meet and mingle with new and old CARBINE CLUB FRIENDS...
and THE WATCHER makes a guest appearance to report
on misdemeanours amongst delegates.

Canapes, beer, wine and soft drinks are provided at no extra cost.

ARRIVAL ARRANGEMENTS

PLEASE MAKE YOUR OWN AIRLINE BOOKING TO PORT MORESBY

QANTAS and AIR NIUGINI both have flights to JACKSON INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
from SYDNEY and CAIRNS and BRISBANE

These flights will arrive around midday

Your travel agent will be able to advise what is best for you, but if you require a night in
Brisbane prior to boarding your flight to Port Moresby, the Novotel at
Brisbane Airport is well recommended – only 10 minutes from both terminals.





ON ARRIVAL

VISAS

A VISITOR'S VISA is required for entry into PNG but these can be OBTAINED UPON ARRIVAL at the Immigration Checkpoint at no cost.

TRANSPORT TO AIRWAYS

You will be met on arrival and transport to AIRWAYS will be provided at no extra cost. The same will apply on your departure if you are leaving from AIRWAYS.





DAY 1 - WEDNESDAY, MAY 16

HOTEL CHECK IN

AIRWAYS is less than 10 minutes from **JACKSONS AIRPORT**

We will have obtained all of your personal details as part of our Congress Registration Process meaning that on arrival you will only have to produce your Credit Card for any personal expenditure.

MEET and GREET

At approximately 4.00pm we will gather **POOLSIDE** where you will get your first chance to savour the warm PNG hospitality... and meet up with all delegates

Canapes, beer, wine and soft drinks will be served.

Around 5.30pm we will board our mini coaches for the 20 minute drive to

GOVERNMENT HOUSE

where our Congress will be formally opened by the **GOVERNOR-GENERAL** of **PAPUA NEW GUINEA** in the beautiful gardens overlooking Port Moresby Harbour.

Substantial cocktail food will be complemented with quality beverages as we are entertained by **TRADITIONAL PNG DANCERS**.

Our coaches will return us to **AIRWAYS** where some will take the opportunity for an early night after a long day of travel while others will undoubtedly find their way to the **POOLSIDE BAR** for a bedtime drink.





DAY 2 - THURSDAY, MAY 17

AND WHAT A DAY THIS WILL BE !!!!!

The day will start with some important HISTORY – then shift to poignant sadness – then provide us with the time to marvel at the feats of our World War 11 soldiers - and finish with a party in the best ANZAC tradition.

YOU WILL TALK ABOUT THIS DAY FOR THE REST OF YOUR LIFE

Proceedings will commence with a formal breakfast at AIRWAYS where the significance of KOKODA and its impact on THE WAR will be explained by an eminent expert.

We will then travel to BOMANA WAR CEMETERY - a moving and emotional place when it is empty but on this occasion the local RSL will conduct a SPECIAL SERVICE for OUR CONGRESS to allow us to remember the efforts of those brave men and women back in 1942. This will be stunning.... and very sad!

After a morning tea at BOMANA we will travel pretty much the same route as that taken by our soldiers when they defended the KOKODA TRACK. Our journey, however, will be in a comfortable mini coach and take only an hour or so.

Then we arrive at OWERS CORNER – the Port Moresby end of the KOKODA TRAIL. More emotion as we try to grapple with the enormity of the task undertaken by our soldiers as we stand at the very spot they used to fire the guns that repelled the Japanese invaders.





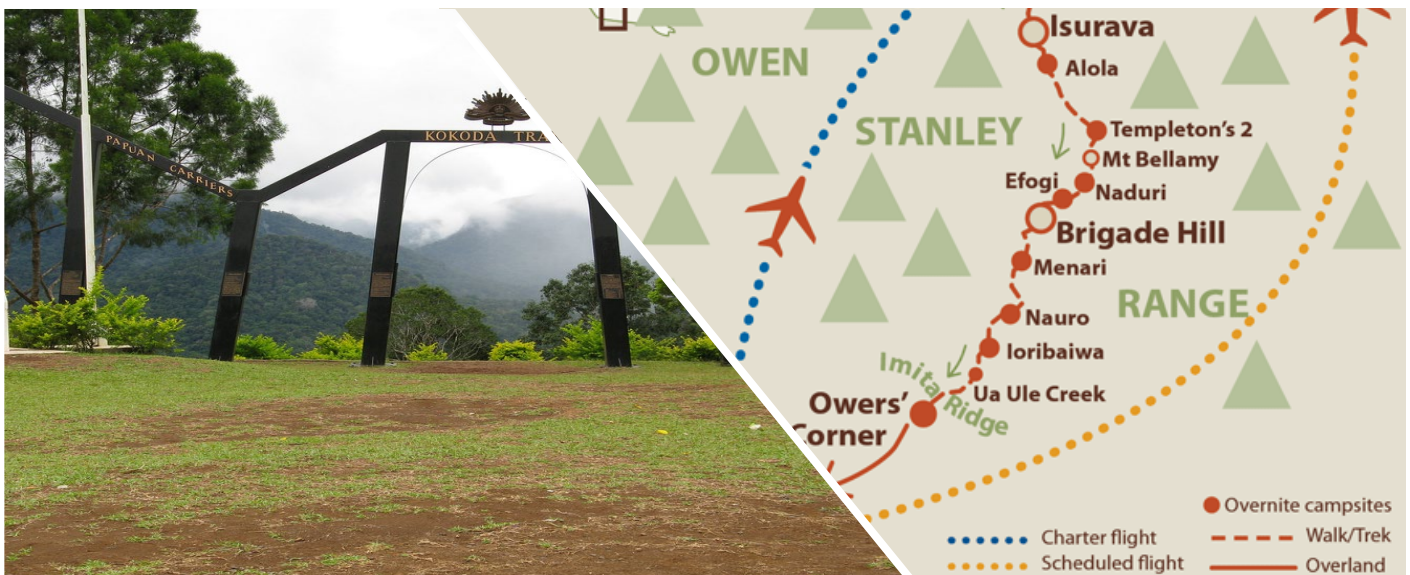
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As we pause to reflect on what we have seen and learned on this morning, we will take in some light refreshments before embarking on our 40 minute journey to the KOITAKI COUNTRY CLUB for our celebration to those who fought on our behalf.

This will be an afternoon of F-U-N! The CARBINE CLUB of PNG guys know how to throw a party, and this will have it all. FOOD - BEVERAGES - MUSIC - GAMES - SWIMMING IN THE RESORT POOL - and whatever else happens!

At around 4.00pm we will leave on the one hour journey back to AIRWAYS where the CARBINE CLUB SUNSET BAR will be in full swing until 7.30pm.

The rest of the evening will be free – you can make use of room service - or hotel restaurants - or - maybe just head for bed!!





DAY 3 - FRIDAY, MAY 18

Today we enjoy a peaceful morning. You can follow your leisurely breakfast with an equally leisurely walk in AIRWAYS botanical gardens – or a swim in the pool - or maybe join a group of fellow delegates who will visit a jewellery house in Port Moresby city. Details of this visit will be announced in our next Newsletter.

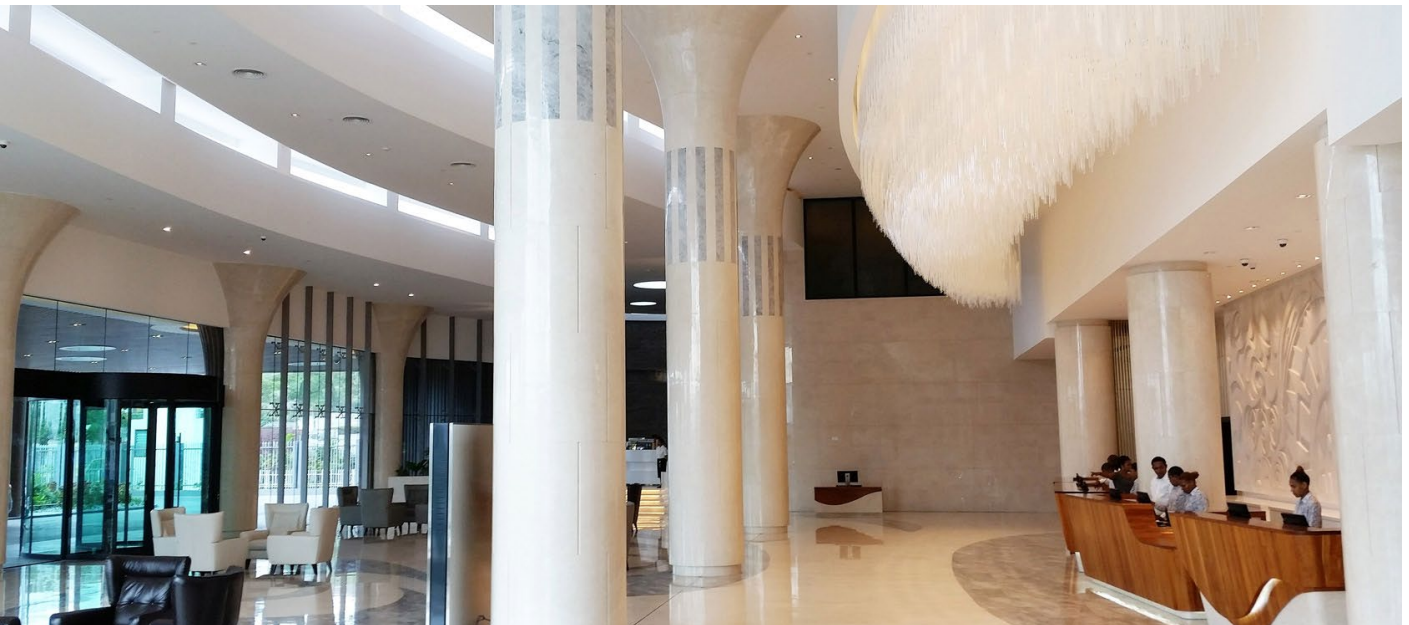
**BUT AT 11.45 - it is all aboard the mini coaches as we make our way to
CARBINE CLUB OF PNG's INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS LUNCHEON**

Partners will join Club Members for this memorable event with special guest speakers and entertainers to ensure a top afternoon!!

AFTER THE LUNCHEON

Transport will be provided back to the AIRWAYS - a shuttle service will run. There is NO Carbine Club Sunset Bar this evening so you may care to dine at the AIRWAYS or venture to a restaurant in downtown Port Moresby.

The AIRWAYS has reciprocal rights with the LAMANA HOTEL which is home to a range of restaurants. Don't worry – the PNG team will be willing and able to find a dining venue to suit your requirements.





DAY 4 - SATURDAY, MAY 19

The PORT MORESBY EXPERIENCE continues... as we all board the mini coaches for a short trip to PARLIAMENT HOUSE for breakfast with the PRIME MINISTER of PNG who will offer his welcome and update us on developments in his country.
Another unique experience.

From Parliament House we will make the short journey to the PORT MORESBY ADVENTURE PARK. Here we will split into 3 groups - each will visit the amazing BIRD SANCTUARY where we will see the famous BIRD OF PARADISE up close and personal – then onto the wonderful PNG ORCHID FARM – before viewing the fearless CROCODILE MAN as he toys with a huge beast (if the handler is still alive when we visit!!)



From Adventure Park it is back to the AIRWAYS for a quick change of clothes followed by a SANDWICH LUNCH poolside and then onto the RUGBY LEAGUE. The SP HUNTERS play in the major Queensland League and we will view their game from our own private area. Entertainment; interviews; canapes; and of course a cold drink or two; will round out an exciting afternoon

We will then return to the AIRWAYS and the CONGRESS SUNSET BAR where you can catch up with fellow delegates and swap stories of your Congress experiences to date.

There are no planned dining activities tonight.



DAY 5 - SUNDAY, MAY 20

Our last day in Port Moresby and the excitement does not diminish!!

Again we enjoy breakfast at VUE RESTAURANT at the AIRWAYS before commencing the day's activities.

This morning we start with a cruise on the calm waters of Port Moresby Harbour before venturing to the pristine sands of FISHERMANS ISLAND. This island is normally secluded, but the CARBINE CLUB of PNG will ship in their own kitchen, bar and furniture to treat you to an extraordinary luncheon in true PNG style.



FROM THERE IS IT BACK TO THE AIRWAYS TO FRESHEN UP BEFORE OUR
FAREWELL PARTY AT THE AIRWAYS HOTEL

Complete with all the dance, music and colour associated with PNG.

We are keeping a few secrets up our sleeve, but you will have the chance to dine and dance the night away while you are treated to spectacular entertainment in a celebration of PNG life.





DAY 6 - MONDAY, MAY 21

You will enjoy your last Congress breakfast at VUE RESTAURANT before departing from the AIRWAYS HOTEL.

Some delegates will return to their home – AIRWAYS will provide a free transfer to JACKSONS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

Others will have chosen to visit other locations within the country of Papua New Guinea. When you register for the Congress we will ask you to indicate whether you would like to explore more of PNG as a post-Congress activity. Those delegates wishing to do so will be provided with details of a Carbine Club of PNG Approved Travel Agent, or you can make your own arrangements.

The Congress will NOT be organising any post-Congress activity.

KOKODA TRACK

A few Members from various Clubs have indicated an interest in trekking across the Kokoda Track. This would involve arriving in Port Moresby on May 7.

Please indicate on the CONGRESS REGISTRATION FORM if you would like details and costs.

AND NOW IT IS TIME TO REGISTER AS A DELEGATE

Please complete the REGISTRATION FORM at the back of this Newsletter
IF YOU COMPLETED AN "EXPRESSION OF INTEREST" FORM YOU STILL MUST
COMPLETE THIS REGISTRATION FORM

If either you or your spouse/partner has a title (eg Sir, Dr) or an Award from your country or territory (eg AO, ML, etc) please remember to include these details.

If you wish to ARRIVE at the AIRWAYS HOTEL earlier than 16 May 2018 or DEPART LATER than 21 May 2018 please indicate in the space provided.



CARBINE CLUB INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS - PORT MORESBY, MAY 2018

REGISTRATION FORM

(PLEASE INCLUDE ANY TITLE or HONOUR: eg Sir, Dr, OAM, AC etc)
(in BLOCK LETTERS)

NAME OF MEMBER :
PREFERRED FIRST NAME :
NAME OF PARTNER :
PREFERRED FIRST NAME :
EMAIL ADDRESS :
HOME ADDRESS :
.....MOBILE NO:

DEPOSIT PAID (By 15 June 2017)

MY DEPOSIT OF \$A750 PER PERSON HAS BEEN PAID AS FOLLOWS: (tick appropriate box)

- ☐ CONGRESS BANK ACCOUNT: BSB 036-022 ACCOUNT 275173 (INCLUDE YOUR NAME)
- ☐ VISA/MASTERCARD (delete one) _____ EXPIRY __/____
NAME ON CARD 3 DIGIT SECURITY CODE ____
- ☐ BY CHEQUE HERewith MADE PAYABLE TO "THE CARBINE CLUB CONGRESS ACCOUNT"

LEVEL OF AIRWAYS HOTEL ACCOMMODATION (tick appropriate box)

- ☐ I/We wish to stay in a WING ROOM
- ☐ I/We wish to stay in a JUNIOR SUITE
- ☐ I/We wish to stay in a DAKOTA SUITE

EXTRA ACCOMMODATION

The Congress Package includes 5 nights accommodation: IN May 16 and OUT May 21

If you require additional nights at AIRWAYS HOTEL the rate is \$A265 per night for a WING ROOM or \$A370 for a JUNIOR SUITE or \$A530 for a DAKOTA SUITE.

DO YOU REQUIRE EXTRA NIGHTS: YES / NO DATES:

PRE & POST CONGRESS ACTIVITIES

- ☐ I/We are interested in details of Post Congress activities
- ☐ I/We are interested in the Kokoda Trek

PLEASE SEND THE COMPLETED REGISTRATION FORM TO:

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