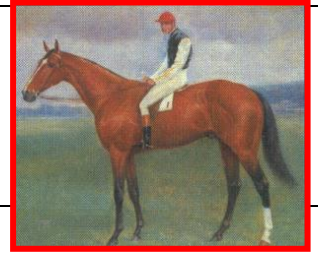




# The Carbiner

**"For sport and for good fellowship"**

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## **News in this Edition –Singapore –HK- ACT-London** **The Carbine Club of Singapore**

The recent Carbine Club of Singapore Derby lunch was really one for the racing purists. Kevin Naughton made a supernatural entrance through clouds of smoke to commence proceedings before handing over to Sky Channel anchor Greg Radley who entertained guests with some outstanding racing trivia, stories and impersonations. The Hyatt again excelled with their usual fine food and Penfolds came to the party with some top notch booze.

As a special treat Foxy Robinson bought 30 kilograms of Pearl Meat direct from one of Nick Paspaley's trawlers and Adam D'Sylva from Coda and Tonka restaurants was on hand to fire the wok up and deliver a knock out dish. Not to be outdone, Chef Lucas complemented the seafood with a slow-cooked full Shin of Beef that melted in the mouth. Kevin had to call for order at one stage as some of the hungrier lads up the back started fighting for the bone.



After lunch Henry Plumptre delivered an amazingly frank and robust 45 minutes of pure theatre.

The room was silent and appreciative as Henry told anecdote after anecdote in the way only he can. As dessert was served two old stagers took to the stage where Greg Radley was at his most comfortable interviewing Laurie Laxon and Lee Freedman as they discussed their respective successes including triumphs in the Melbourne

Cup which just happened to be in the room courtesy of the VRC and generous Club sponsor Tony Ryan. The Cup took centre stage complete with 8 of the most fearsome security guards ever seen at the Hyatt.

The Club was happy to welcome guests Neil Wilson and Joe McGrath from the VRC, Mark Worwood from Perth Racing; and High Commissioner Bruce Gosper who attended his first lunch as Patron of the Club in Singapore.

*-Club Secretary Martin McGettigan*

(Pictured above – Henry Plumptre, Laurie Laxon, Neil Wilson & Lee Freedman with the Cup – more pics later in this edition)



## The Carbine Club of Hong Kong

On July 9th 2017 The Carbine Club of Hong Kong was pleased to present a cheque for HK\$133,214.00 to the Riding for the Disabled Association, being the funds raised at our Racing Luncheon that was held in December 2016.



The donation will continue to help fund the RDA work with special needs children in Hong Kong.

Presenting the cheque on behalf of the Carbine Club was Mark Winstanley, Vice President of the CCHK to Benson Wong, Hon Treasurer of The RDA. A special note of thanks to Mark for making the presentation as he is recovering from hip replacement surgery, which will now undoubtedly improve his fast bowling technique. *–Danny Zigall, HK Carbiner correspondent*



## The Carbine Club of ACT State of Origin II Dinner

The Boardroom at Jim Murphy's provided a fantastic backdrop for the Carbine Club of the ACT State of Origin II dinner on Wednesday 21 June.

President Mac Howell welcomed the 44 members present and special guests, Canberra Raiders Head Coach and Carbine Club Member Ricky Stuart and Raiders players Josh Hodgson, Elliot Whitehead and Jack Wighton.

Mac also welcomed and introduced six new members to the club in Rob Evans, Scott Fardy, Damien Murphy, Gavin Pound, Andrew Smith and Andrew Turnbull with each of them presented with their Carbine Club Tie and Pin.

Secretary Paul Walshe provided an engaging interview with Ricky, Josh, Elliot and Jack that provided some light entertainment prior to kick-off of the State Of Origin game.

It was an honour to have four outstanding individuals from the Canberra Raiders attend the function.

Outside of the result a great evening was had by all with the wine flowing late into the night.

*–Paul Walshe, Secretary CCACT*

*(Photos later in this edition)*





## The Carbine Club of London

**The Carbine Club of London** has been busy –

On 28 June the Club held its Lord's Long Room Luncheon with Club member Hugh Taggart managing proceedings as MC for the day. President Peter Jensen made a presentation to cricket great Mike Gatting of a bow tie that had some history as it was Mike's benefit year bow tie. A presentation of a magnum of Bollinger was made to the club's new sporting associate Nick Luck in recognition of his effort in leading the tipsters on the panel at the club's February Cheltenham Gold Cup Festival dinner at the Lutyens Restaurant in Fleet Street.

Mike Gatting, the former England captain and longstanding Middlesex legend delivered a lively lunchtime discourse, followed by Jonathan "Aggers" Agnew who added greatly to the day's entertainment.

On 25 May the Club ventured to Sandown Park and occupied the Gold Cup suite for an evening of class racing where subsequent Ascot Gold Cup winner Big Orange was a popular winner of the Group 3 Henry II Stakes.



(Above – President Peter Jensen presents Mike Gatting with his tie)



(Thanks to Terry McCaughey, Member Communications, London)



Jack Wighton Mac  
Howell Paul Walshe Elliot  
Whitehead Josh  
Hodgson Ricky Stuart



Mac Howell & Terry Weber



Ricky Stuart, Graham Potts, James Service

## ACT State of Origin Dinner





Singapore Racing Luncheon

## Coming Events:

### JULY -AUGUST

NT- Raceday at DTC on 29 July , Darwin Cup Luncheon on 3 August

VIC - Members Lunch at The Heroes Club on August 17

NSW- Rugby Lunch on 18 August

WA Broome Cup Luncheon, Zee Bar, Broome on 18 August

PNG - Sportsman's Lunch – Cricket- at the Gateway on 18 August

QLD –Members Only Luncheon 25 August

NSW - Annual Golf Day 30 August

### SEPTEMBER

SA - SANFL Grand Final Luncheon on 21 September at Adelaide Oval

WA – WAFL GF Luncheon at the Hyatt on 22 September

London – 22 September – Members Golf Day, Richmond Course, Royal Mid Surrey

Tuesday, Sept 26 – AFL Grand Final Luncheon at Crown

NSW - Rugby League GF Lunch on 28 Sep

### OCTOBER

ACT - Tony Campbell Memorial Cup Day at Thoroughbred Park on 6 October

WA – Members Lunch at the Richardson on 20 October

HK - Cricket Luncheon on 27 October

PNG - Sportsman's Lunch – Rugby League World Cup – The Stanley on 27 October

PNG- Cox Plate Day at The Aviat Club on 28 October

### NOVEMBER

Friday November 3 – VRC Derby Eve Luncheon at Crown

London – AGM & Melbourne Cup Eve Dinner on 6 November at the Alfred Tennyson in Knightsbridge

QLD – Cricket Lunch at the Gabba on 21 November

WA – Racing Luncheon at the Hyatt on 24 November

ACT - Golf Day & Cocktail Party at Royal Canberra on 30 November (TBC)

### DECEMBER

SA - Ashes Test cricket Luncheon on 1 December

PNG - Xmas Cocktail Party on 1 December (TBC)

NSW- EOY Lunch on 8 Dec

HK - International Races Luncheon on 8 December

ACT - AGM Lunch at Jim Murphy's on 8 December

Vic - Members Xmas Lunch at RACV on December12