



# The Carbiner

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**CC QLD President's Lunch 26 August... Members function for the announcement of a new event and initiative for the 2015 calendar!**



## CARBINE CLUB OF NSW – RUGBY LUNCHEON

The Carbine Club of NSW conducted the official ARU Bledisloe Cup Luncheon on Fri 14 Aug in the Event Centre of The Star, Pyrmont, attracting almost 400 members and guests for a very special sporting day.

MC and Carbine Club member Phil Kearns (*pic right*), himself a 10 times Wallaby Captain, was uniquely placed to carry out that role and the interviews with Rugby greats were enjoyed by all. Interspersed with great sports vision provided by FoxSports, the interviews were eloquent and very humorous – billed as an interview with that special fraternity of “crusty old hookers”, the stories told by Bill Ross, Tom Lawton and Adam Freier provided an hilarious insight into the antics of that special group of sportsmen.



Also interviewed on the day were rugby greats Stephen Moore and Nick Farr-Jones who gave us their view on the important upcoming match, and special guests from the National Women's Sevens Squad, destined for the next Olympics, enlightened us on the success of this team ;a Scholarship donation from the Club of \$5,000 was accepted on their behalf by Bill Pulver, Chief Executive of the ARU.

Australia's favourite sporting poet Rupert McCall (*left*) gave a stirring toast to rugby, capping a most successful luncheon.





## CARBINE CLUB OF SINGAPORE- CRICKET LUNCHEON

The Carbine Club of Singapore recently took a stroll down memory lane with two of Australian cricket's most entertaining former players. Jeff Thomson and Greg "Fat Cat" Ritchie kept a room filled to capacity enthralled with story after story of the halcyon days of Australian cricket. Thommo, who turned 64 on the day, was given a rousing round of applause and a rather off-key and at some parts quite slurred rendition of "*Happy Birthday*" by the appreciative crowd.

Ritchie followed Thommo to the stage and proceeded to keep the crowd thoroughly engaged for the best part of an hour and a half. A picture of self restraint for the best part of his speech it was only in the last few moments that cultural niceties were thrown out the window and his alter ego 'Mahatma Cote' appeared. Fortunately this was much to the delight of those in the room sharing the same heritage!

President David Brooker heaved a heavy sigh of relief when he noticed member Sachin Goklaney consumed in fits of laughter. Fittingly Ritchie was given a standing ovation from those in attendance. He vowed that he would be back and ominously stated that he had 'plenty more to say'. The Club has already arranged for extra bar staff and back up supplies of rum for his next visit.'



Greg, Pres. David Brooker & Thommo



Thommo with  
Chef Lucas &  
the birthday  
cake







## THE CARBINE CLUB OF NEW SOUTH WALES GOLF DAY

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> August was a superbly sunny day (with a challenging late afternoon breeze) for the 2014 Carbine Club Annual Golf Day at the remarkably picturesque St Michael's Golf Club. The field comprised of 19 strong teams, which provided 76 players for the individual event. St Michael's Golf Club had copious quantities of GPS fitted motorised carts, which, along with the favourable weather conditions, contributed to some excellent team and individual scores.

The golf prizes were won by:

- **1<sup>st</sup> Place Team Event - Team Seymour** (Heath James, Ryan O'Keefe, Brad Seymour and Graeme Shaw) with 93 stableford points.
- **2<sup>nd</sup> Place Team Event - Team Donnelly** (Max Donnelly, Gordon Hatch, Shaun Lane and Graham Wood) with 87 stableford points.
- **3<sup>rd</sup> Place Team Event - Tubbs N°1 Team** (Ian Foulsham, Terry Gilchrist, Ian Tonkin and Rod Tubbs) with 86 stableford points.
- **4<sup>th</sup> Place Team Event - Team Gilbert** (Dave Gilbert, Paul Kofod, Colin Love and Greg Matthews) with 85 stableford points on a count back.
- **5<sup>th</sup> Place Team Event - Team Crismale** (Bradley Crismale, Michael Crismale, Mario Cuenca and Jeffrey Murdoch) with 85 stableford points.
- **1<sup>st</sup> Place Individual Event - Graeme Shaw** with 42 stableford points.
- **2<sup>nd</sup> Place Individual Event - Mark de Montfort** with 39 stableford points on a count back.
- **3<sup>rd</sup> Place Individual Event - Max Donnelly** with 39 stableford points.
- **Longest Drive - Jeff Epplett**
- **Nearest-to-Pin - Dave Gilbert**
- **Team Bradman "Award" - Team Duncan** (no names, no pack-drill!)

Excellent prizes were donated by **Jamie Barkley**/Sydney Cricket & Sports Ground Trust, **Dave Smith**/National Rugby League, **Darren Pearce**/Australian Turf Club, **Andrew Ireland**/Sydney Swans, **Con Kafataris**/Otto Ristorante, **Rob Hirst**/Bollinger Champagne, St Michael's Golf Club, **Damian Keogh**/Val Morgan Cinema Network, **Stuart Clark**, **Dave Gilbert**, **Bob Guth**, **Geoff Thoroughgood** and **Alan Whelpton**. Many thanks to those members and their associated organisations.

The following members and guests entertained us with insights into their areas of expertise:

- **Gordon Bray**: recent Commonwealth Games (with emphasis on Hockey and Rugby 7s)
- **Jim Maxwell**: NSW Waratahs' Super 15 triumph & our cricketers' victory over South Africa
- **Michael Crismale**: preview of Spring racing in Sydney and review of Autumn Championships
- **Colin Love**: review of the National Rugby League season and predictions for the Finals Series
- **Brad Seymour**: the Sydney Swans' chances of a third AFL premiership within a decade

Special thanks to George Ramirez, who spent his afternoon on the 12<sup>th</sup> tee selling raffle tickets and taking happy snaps of all teams as they passed through. As a result of George's efforts and the generous donation of all the prizes, our Treasurer had a satisfied smile on his face. *(Report from Rod Tubbs)*

