



# The Carbiner

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



THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE CARBINE CLUB

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**Carbine Club Congress Reminder  
Hong Kong – Cricket Lunch  
London – AGM & Melbourne Cup Dinner  
NSW – Club Donations  
Coming Events**

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[www.thecarbineclub.org](http://www.thecarbineclub.org)

All contributions to The Carbiner welcomed – place your event & news on the record!

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## Message from the Carbine Club International Congress Chairman

A few weeks ago you received a copy of the "2020 Congress Newsletter No. 1". Attached to that newsletter is an **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST** form which we invite you to complete and return to me at [lloyd.meredith@bigpond.com](mailto:lloyd.meredith@bigpond.com) before November 30. (*Ed. Note – a copy of the form is attached to this newsletter*).

The Carbine Club holds great hopes that ADELAIDE 2020 will be the first Congress where all 15 Clubs are represented, particularly as we now have a new, vibrant Club based in Tokyo, Japan as well as the Club based in London.

Please take the time to again read the recent Newsletter, and to let me know if you are interested in attending. For those who have not been to a previous Congress, partners are not only welcome but are an integral part of every Carbine Club International Congress. I hope to see YOU and your partner in Adelaide.

Jan and I take this opportunity to wish you and those close to you a Happy Christmas, and a safe and rewarding New Year.

Lloyd Meredith  
CONGRESS CHAIRMAN

*(Pic right- Congress Delegates on the Kokoda Track as part of the Congress earlier this year).*



## Hong Kong – Cricket Lunch

The Carbine Club of Hong Kong held a successful Cricket Lunch 26 October 2018 at The Hyatt Regency – this report from CCHK Member Andrew Macintosh (Master of Ceremonies):

“Two hundred and twenty Carbine Club members and guests were treated to a contrasting afternoon of cricket stories and views by former England quick bowler Angus Fraser, and Former Australian test cricketer and television personality Mike Whitney.

The lunch opened with Club President Mark



Winstanley welcoming distinguished guests from Cricket Hong Kong and announcing their plans for a Cricket Festival in 2019 which will include the Carbine Lunch.

Angus Fraser in raising the Toast to Cricket launched into a scintillating discussion of life before and after playing. Angus recounted stories of his debut for England, and being overlooked for the 1989 Ashes series before being recalled and taking the prized Steve Waugh wicket on debut at the MCG.



He spoke on a number of topics cricket – all changes to the laws since and LBW update in 1898 favor batsmen, the highs and lows of touring and playing overseas, wearing bowling boots to bat in and being intimidated by Viv Richards. He even discussed the proposition of a draught horse speaking at a Club named after a thoroughbred.

Angus has returned to where it all began, and is now the Managing Director of Cricket at Middlesex. He talked about the challenges of being a selector: when the team wins, it because of their great performances; when the team loses, it's because of poor selection!

To Toast the Carbine Club, Mike Whitney's unscripted storytelling had the room belly laughing. Mike talked about being selected at short notice for Australia whilst playing in England for a club side; about facing the fearsome West Indian quicks of the 1980s; and about his family life and his "hat trick from just two balls": the birth of his triplets!



It's unsurprising that a man who is celebrating over 20 years on Australian television (a feat in and of itself in this age), could regale the room with as many cricket stories as "Sydney Weekender" (his TV show) stories, or even just family stories.

Mike told of frustrating Sir Richard Hadley at the MCG in 1987. Sir Ian had already taken 10 wickets and New Zealand were closing in on a win, and retaining the Trans-Tasman Trophy.

Needing to survive the final 4.5 overs, and batting last, Mike came to the crease and survived 18 balls to guide Australia to a draw, and hand Alan Border his first series win.

Mike's Sir Don Bradman story to lead in to the Toast is one all sports fans should hear.



On the day, we raised HK\$92,000 for the Cricket Hong Kong Charitable Foundation which manages all of Cricket Hong Kong's community outreach activities. These initiatives focus on education, health and welfare, disability, social inclusion and youth crime prevention.

The Carbine Club wishes to give a big vote of thanks to Cathay Pacific Airways and The Hyatt Regency Hotel for their continued support of the Carbine Club of Hong Kong functions".





## Carbine Club of London AGM & Melbourne Cup Eve Members Dinner

Terry McCaughey from the London Club reports that the Club had another successful dinner at The Alfred Tennyson to conduct their AGM and Cup Eve Dinner.

The London Club now has a full book of 68 members in the various categories and a waiting list for membership. At last report the Club had only one share left in the exciting syndication of two horses to be trained by Club members and to race in the Club colours, and already the Club has formulated a great program of events for the year ahead.



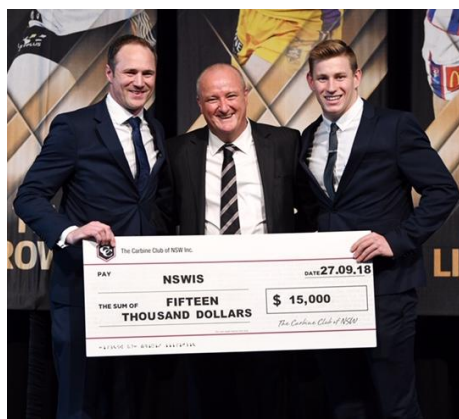
MC Hugh Taggart introduces guest speaker and Sporting Associate Michael Lynagh

At the Melbourne Cup Eve Dinner star Sporting Associate Jim McGrath once again did his famous Phantom Call of the race to be held some five hours later – Jim did it again, this time naming the first three across the line in his first four.

Another Sporting Associate, Australian Rugby star Michael Lynagh, was a much appreciated guest speaker who gave a frank and moral assessment of his primary sport, rugby, and then generally to other sports.

## NSW – NRL GF Luncheon

At the recent CCNSW luncheon to celebrate rugby league President Bernie Campbell made a number of presentations to sporting organisations as evidenced in the photos sent through by the Club's Events Coordinator, Victoria Ramirez:



Go Bernie!



### New Members welcomed into Clubs

**New Zealand** – David Abercrombie, Fiona Allan ONZM, Cameron George, Bho Patel, Kereyn Smith MNZM and Michael Stowers

**London** – John McCluskey and Paul Orchard

## EVENTS SCHEDULE

20 Nov QLD Cricket Luncheon, QLD Cricket Club  
 22 Nov TAS Christmas Drinks, Vue Bar, Customs House Hotel  
 23 Nov WA Racing Luncheon, Hyatt Hotel

### Heading into the festive season.....Club events

3 Dec ACT Russell Parkes Memorial Golf Day, RCGC  
 3 Dec ACT Christmas Cocktail Party, RCGC  
 5 Dec SA Test Cricket Luncheon  
 7 Dec ACT AGM Lunch, Jim Murphy's Fyshwick  
 7 Dec HK International Races Lunch  
 7 Dec QLD Members Only Luncheon, XXXX Board Room  
 11 Dec VIC Members Xmas Lunch, RACV  
 13 Dec WA Cricket Luncheon  
 14 Dec PNG Christmas Party – Members Only  
 14 Dec S'pore Christmas Lunch  
 14 Dec NT Christmas Dinner  
 14 Dec NSW End of Year Lunch & Davo Award, Members Pavilion, SCG  
 16 Dec NZ Christmas Barbecue, Freemans Bay

## 2019 Calendar of Events

8 Jan QLD Magic Millions Luncheon, the Star Casino, Broadbeach  
 25 Feb NZ Annual Charity Golf Tournament  
 5 March London Cheltenham Festival Dinner, OXO Tower  
 29 April NZ AGM & Members Luncheon  
 24 May London Royal Mid Surrey Golf Day  
 25-26 June London Newmarket Visit, Dinner, Races  
 8 Aug London Lords Long Room Luncheon (TBC)  
 Oct London Rugby World Cup Luncheon (TBC)

With the Spring Carnival in Melbourne now complete the racing world turns to Perth for the fabulous Summer Carnival and to Hong Kong for the renowned International Races.

The Carbine Club will be part of the action with the WA Racing Luncheon on 23 Nov and then Hong Kong turns on the International Races Lunch on 7 December - both events are highlights on the Club calendar and not to be missed!

**Adelaide 2020  
Carbine Club International Congress**



**YOUR CALL TO ACTION**

**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM  
2020 Carbine Club International Congress  
Adelaide - South Australia**

**Please complete this form by 30 November 2018**

☐ I AM INTERESTED IN ATTENDING THE 2020 CARBINE CLUB CONGRESS

☐ I AM INTERESTED IN ACTIVITIES AFTER THE CONGRESS

**THIS PLACES YOU UNDER NO OBLIGATION TO ATTEND THE CONGRESS**

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