



# The Carbiner



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**The Carbine Club of South Australia**

## 2015 SANFL Grand Final Luncheon

The Carbine Club of South Australia recently held their Annual Luncheon to celebrate the SANFL Grand Final in the William Magarey Room at the Adelaide Oval.

The Luncheon was celebrating a first ever Grand Final clash between the Woodville West Torrens (Eagles) Football Club and the West Adelaide (Bloods) Football Club with an attendance in excess of 500 enjoying the feast of South Australia Football.

President Bernie Lange welcomed all, including the Governor of South Australia and Club Patron His Excellency, The Honourable Hieu Van Le AO, who on the day was the Administrator of the Commonwealth. He also welcomed the Hon John Olsen AO, President of the SANFL along with Jake Parkinson, Chief Executive Officer. Warm welcomes were extended to Major Sponsor – Bank SA, Wine Sponsor “Prestige World Wine”, Beer sponsor, Lion-SA Brewery, along with other Guests who assisting towards the success of the Luncheon.

Bernie also acknowledged the outstanding efforts of the Adelaide Football Club (AFL) both on and off the field this year. The tragic circumstances that had to be dealt with during the year had been recognized throughout the AFL Industry.

Master of Ceremonies for the day was Chris Dittmar, a Special Member of The CCSA who displayed his true professionalism in the manner with which he interviewed the various people on stage throughout the afternoon.

The first interview was with the 2015 Magarey Medallist, Joel Cross of the South Adelaide Football Club, who had previously won the coveted Award in 2012. Joel was presented with a presentation Wine Pack in accordance with tradition by John Harris, Director of “Prestige World Wine”.

Competing Coaches, Michael Godden from Woodville West Torrens and Jason Porplyzia representing his Coach Mark Mickan of West Adelaide were both confident and reasonably open to questions put to them by Chris Dittmar. They were both professional in their individual responses ensuring that neither side was given an “inch”.

In a relatively new concept to CCSA, the three officiating Umpires, Craig Fleer, Leigh Haussen and Toby Medlin were interviewed and subsequently each were presented with a pair of Carbine Club inscribed crystal wine glasses. They too were confident in their responses with considerable discussion taking place as to who was to take the first bounce down, and on their own assessments.

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One of the three was the better with the bounce and needless to say that the better of the three would take it – a good display of common sense.

As the Club was celebrating the SANFL Grand Final it was considered more than appropriate that we present two of South Australia's Football Legends to "*face the music*" from a probing MC.

The two SA Legends were John Platten of Central Districts and Hawthorn (AFL) and Peter Carey OAM of Glenelg fame who were particularly open and entertaining with stories about their long-time involvement as a player in their respective individual clubs with whom they played.

While Peter Carey OAM is a Special Member of CCSA John Platten had been appointed in the same category a little earlier this year.

In all, it was a very special day with NOVITA, through their Ambassadors Russell Ebert OAM and Barrie Robran MBE, raising \$5,101.00 as the benefitting Children's Charity for the Day.

*(Courtesy of John Condon OAM Secretary of The Carbine Club of South Australia Inc.)*



President Bernie Lange, His Excellency the Hon Hieu Van Le AO, John Olsen AO, and Sir Eric Neal AC CVO



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Simon Hele with Secretary John Condon OAM



The Umpires are put through their paces

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MC Chris Dittmar with Peter Carey OAM and John Platten

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