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**The Governor of Victoria and Carbine Club Patron The Hon Linda Dessau AM flanked by Club Secretary Graham Halbish (L) and President Graeme Johnson OAM at the Derby Eve Luncheon**



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## THE CARBINE CLUB - 53<sup>rd</sup> DERBY EVE LUNCHEON

The Carbine Club was delighted to welcome hundreds of visitors from all over the world to the 53rd Derby Eve lunch, held once again in the magnificent surroundings of the Crown Palladium. Almost 1,000 members, guests and visitors filled the room with anticipation of another entertaining prelude to a great week of racing during the Melbourne Cup Carnival.

MC Gerard Whateley was first out of the barriers and quickly settled into his immaculate stride. Expert analysis of the Cup field and prospects for other feature races was provided by Channel Seven's Jason Richardson and the gorgeous Francesca Cumani.

Patrons were reminded of the recent passing of Carbine Club stalwart Bart Cummings, with an emotional interview with his son Anthony and grandson James, capped off by a wonderful video tribute to the master trainer.

As expected, Henry Plumptre delivered a superb toast to racing, giving all present the benefit of his many years in the industry, especially with Darley, interlaced with a generous sprinkling of dry wit and cutting humour. Well done, Henry.

Max Presnell and Mark Read, it is fair to say, took over the Legends of the Turf segment and were having such a great time chatting away to each other, that the man with the hook had to brought into play!

Most importantly, all agreed it had been another great occasion, with many old friends meeting for their traditional annual Carbine Club get together, with the stories and wine flowing freely, in the best traditions of the Club and the Melbourne Spring Racing Carnival.

*(Thanks to Carbine Club Secretary Graham Halbish for this report and to Gordon Bennett for the photos)*





Norman Carlyon



Jason Richardson & Francesca Cumani



Max Presnell & Mark Read



Peter Daniels and Rod Fitzroy



Jimmy Johnson



Henry Plumptre



Gerard Whately Anthony Cummings James Cummings



**Coming Events for your Diary:**

PNG	13 Nov	Lae Members Lunch
NZ	13 Nov	Tennis Luncheon
Singapore	20 Nov	Gold Cup Lunch (Members Only)
NSW	20 Nov	Cricket Luncheon, SCG
WA	20 Nov	Racing Luncheon, Hyatt Hotel
ACT	23 Nov	Sport Hall of Fame Induction Luncheon
SA	26 Nov	Test Cricket Luncheon, Adelaide Oval
ACT	30 Nov	Russell Parkes Memorial Golf Day
NT	4 Dec	Christmas Dinner
ACT	4 Dec	AGM & Members Luncheon
PNG	4 Dec	Christmas Party
ACT	11 Dec (TBC)	AGM Lunch
NSW	11 Dec	Members End of Year Luncheon, SCG
Singapore	11 Dec	Christmas Lunch (Members Only)
<b>HK</b>	<b>11 Dec</b>	<b>International Races Luncheon</b>
		<b>*****Note changed date...Fri 11<sup>th</sup> for this event*****</b>
		2016
QLD	5 Jan	Magic Millions Luncheon, Jupiters Casino
TAS	5 Feb	Derby Lunch, Elwick
NZ	29 Feb	Annual Charity Golf Tournament, Pakuranga Country Club
Congress	8 Mar	Perth, WA
WA	11 Mar	Carbine Club Congress Luncheon, Rendezvous Grand
QLD	12 Mar	Carbine Club Race Day, Gold Coast Turf Club
HK	8 Apr	Rugby Sevens Luncheon