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The Carbine Club of South Australia Inc. AGM

14th February, 2017 marked the date of the Annual General Meeting when 39 Members attended with apologies being received from twenty Members unable to attend. Retiring President, Bernie Lange conducted the meeting with a presentation being made to John Murphy for 25 years of service. John has served the Club extremely well during these years with many of these on the Committee. John's knowledge within the liquor industry during the years has provided the club great in-roads for which we will be forever grateful.

The meeting and lunch which followed was held in the Osmond Room at the Arkaba Hotel courtesy of our long time Member & hotelier Peter Hurley AO. Peter and his staff pulled out all stops as usual to ensure that Members enjoyed the best of food and hospitality during the afternoon. Our sincere thanks are extended to Peter, his Chef and all the Staff.





Newly elected Officer Bearers are: Nick Chigwidden – President, David Myers – Vice President, Peter McVann – Treasurer and John Condon OAM – Honorary Secretary. The Committee comprises Immediate Past President – Bernie Lange, Andrew Killey, Glenn Cooper AM,Hon Graham Ingerson, Peter Lewis, David Shipway and Chris Dittmar.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Nick Chigwidden (*left*) made a presentation to Bernie Lange thanking him for his effort during his time of presiding over our Club.





Pic at left -John Condon OAM Hon Secretary, Retiring President Bernie Lange & Treasurer David Myers.

Pic at right - Members Darren Steele, Grant Harrison & Tony Flanegan

South Australia - 2017 Supercars Luncheon



L-R: Nick Chigwidden , John Condon OAM, with new members George Yatzis, Maurie Ranger, Damien Marangon, John Kearnahan, Chris Mattner and Vern Schuppan AM.

The Carbine Club of South Australia held their annual Supercars lunch in the Panorama Room at the Adelaide Convention Centre on Wednesday 1 March.

The lunch celebrated the 19th race in Adelaide for the Supercars teams, and was hosted by Greg Rust with Matt Braid – Managing Director of the Supercars and three drivers – 2016 Bathurst winner Will

Davison, on debut in Adelaide Simona de Silvestro and local Adelaide son Tim Slade winner of Winslow in 2016. The day was attended by approximately 450 members and their guests.

In-coming President, Nick Chigwidden welcomed the audience along with the Supercars guests plus Glenn Cooper AM and Dr Tim Cooper AM, our special member and former Governor Sir Eric Neale AC CVO, Tim Whetstone MP, David Ridgeway MP, Steven Marshall MP, Alec Gilbert – CEO for the Adelaide Convention Centre, Major Sponsor BankSA, beverage sponsors Tomich Wines and Coopers Brewery.

Nick spoke about the Supercars series and the importance of the race in Adelaide and their support of the Carbine Club event. He acknowledged the support of Coopers in making this luncheon happen and their close association with the Supercars office staff and in particular Matt Braid being so supportive of the on-going platform with the Carbine Club.

Greg Rust as Commentator and Presenter for Supercars played an outstanding role as MC. Greg did note several highlights for Supercars during the 2016 season involving the line-up of drivers who were on the panel for this luncheon.

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Additionally, Matt Braid spoke openly of the Supercars series, the sport itself and its growing base of followers especially with the 250km races both Saturday and Sunday in Adelaide this year. With a question asked from the floor – namely Carbine Member Michael Brock – about the proposed move of the race to Tailem Bend, Matt replied with a great deal of discrepancy concerning the on-going sponsorship and also government support to moving of the race to this proposed new facility.

As is tradition at the first official lunch of the new year, President Nick Chigwidden, welcomed and introduced five new Members into the Club, namely John Kernahan, Damien Marangon, Chris Mattner, Maurie Ranger, and George Yatzis. In keeping with the motor racing theme of the lunch it was greatly important that a Special New Member was welcomed into the Club, namely Vern Schuppan AM. Vern is a retired Australian motor racing driver, having driven in various categories, participating in Formula One, the Indianapolis 500 and most successfully in sports car racing. Vern's biggest career victory was to win the 1983 24 Hours of Le Mans, driving the Porsche 956. Each of the new Members received a very warm welcome.

Carbine Club member Peter Carey in his role as CEO to Youth Opportunities delivered a very informative speech about the organisation. The raffle raised \$10,750 for the group and prizes included a lunch for 10 people to Sean's Kitchen thanks to the Adelaide Casino – a very sought after voucher by many in the room.

With the growing number of attendees this year, we are sure that 2018's event will be even higher and we look forward to the SAJC Luncheon on 5 May 2017.



L-R: Cooper's hostess, Glenn Cooper AM, Randal Tomich, Tim Slade, Simona de Silvestro, Will Davison, John Tomich and Cooper's hostess.

Carbiners in the News

Peter Kerr AM – Life Member, CCNSW

Peter is a well known figure across the Carbine Clubs – a stalwart of the Carbine Club of NSW including many years on the Committee and also serving as President for a term which was marked by an invigoration of the Club in NSW where Peter brought his huge skills and experience as a sports administrator into full play.

In the wide world of sport Peter has chaired Water Polo Australia, is a member of the FINA Doping Panel and chairs other sporting appeals tribunals. In 2000 he received an Australian Sports Medal and in that same year he gave the Judge's Oath at the Sydney Olympics.



Peter is on the board of the Physiotherapy Board of Australia and Australian Kookaburra Kids Foundation Inc. and is a former board member of the Cronulla Sharks NRL Club.

At the recent AGM Peter's contribution to the Carbine Club was formally recognised when he was made a Life Member – our congratulations to Peter on this well deserved honour.

John Baker ESM - CCSA



Congratulations are extended to CCSA Member John Baker ESM. John was awarded the Emergency Services Medal in the Australia Day Honours earlier this year.

John joined the Brighton Surf Life Saving Club about 40 years ago as a nipper. As a volunteer lifesaver, John has contributed almost 2000 hours with his local club. He is now a senior crewman and training officer for the Westpac Lifesaver Rescue Helicopter Service. John joined the Westpac Lifesaver Rescue Helicopter Service in 1994 and is the 3rd longest serving crew member and over the past 23 years served over 1,000 operational hours. A father of three, John is currently in his sixth year as State President of Surf Life Saving SA.

In addition to this John's commitment to the community has also included significant volunteer service to a range of other organisations including the Australian Red Cross, The Smith Family, Australian Army Cadets, the Returned Services League of Australia (SA Branch) and International Life Saving.

(Thanks to John Condon OAM, Secretary CCSA for the SA news. Photo of John Baker courtesy The Advertiser)

Peter Ladewig - Life Member CCQLD



The Queensland Club surprised outgoing President Peter Ladewig at their AGM on 24 March, honoring Peter with Life Membership.

Peter joined in 2002 and has served as Secretary, Vice President and President during his active and lengthy membership of the Club. Peter is well known across the Carbine Clubs being a regular and enthusiastic attendee at Congress and also at Delegates Meetings.

Hearty congratulations to Peter.

Coming Events:

VIC Members & Guest Luncheon & New Member Intro on April 5

HK Rugby 7s on 7 April

SA SAJC Autumn Carnival Luncheon on 5 May

PNG Carbine Sportsman's Lunch (Racing) on 12 May

VIC AGM and Members Lunch, May 16 at Garden Rooms, Crown

PNG PMGFC Gantry Lunch (MO) on 9 June

The Annual Dinner of the Carbine Club is on Wednesday June 14, The Australian Club

(Note that this is on Wednesday this year)

SA 34th Anniversary Members Lunch 20 July

For those who travel to the events in Melbourne, jot down these dates now!

Tuesday, Sept 26 - AFL Grand Final Luncheon at Crown

Friday November 3 - VRC Derby Eve Luncheon at Crown