

"For sport and for good fellowship"

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A veritable "who's who" of Carbiners were presented with their 25 Year Membership badges at the recent Carbine Club Annual General Meeting & Members Lunch, many of them seen below with President Graeme Johnson making the presentations.

thanks to Gordon Bennett for photos of this event



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PAPUA NEW GUINEA – NRL LUNCHEON

Once again most major business houses in Port Moresby had a C E O free afternoon on Friday the 8th when two hundred and ninety thirsty leaders of the business community descended on the Gateway Hotel to catch up with friends and acquaintances while being well fed and plied with ample amounts of refreshment at the CCPNG Rugby League Luncheon

After the toasts well delivered by new members Bruce Telfer (Papua New Guinea) Dan Cassell (Carbine) and Mark Mom (Rugby League) along with a message from the sponsor and a welcome

from President Stan, members and guests settled in for what proved to be a most enjoyable afternoon.

Our guest speaker for the day Rugby League Legend Steve Walters (pic right) appeared to have suffered no ill effects from the Thursday night spent with the Papua Club gathering of members. As expected he regaled us with stories of past days as a player with many references to other celebrity players some stories never to be repeated.

Steve's comparison of the current life



of players with the pressures of current day experiences of both club and State of Origin and National representative players was interesting. He held back on recounting any lewd stories of yesteryear and his experiences playing against PNG. Steve was very encouraging in his critique of our beloved S P Hunters and the state of Rugby League in PNG. Having been given a cooks tour of our new Home of Rugby League he commented that it was a world class venue. All too soon his allotted time at the microphone was over and after answering a number of questions from guests re-joined the head table.

Entertainer Hung Lee came to us with a big reputation and well and truly lived up to expectations. The ability to make fun of our own is well known as an Australian trait. Along with use of mispronunciation and plays on words he had the gathering spellbound. A polished performance well received.

The function bar was finally closed and many adjourned to the Gateway's new bar overlooking the airport to check if the beer was cold prior to watching the Aussies beat the Kiwis. A great way to finish a memorable day. Followed then on Saturday night by PNG winning the match against Fiji.

Truly a feast of Rugby League!









..... from the CCPNG photo files...... in the usual PNG style of hospitality guest speaker Steve Walters was treated to a night at the "Pap" Club and was also taken on a fishing trip where an excited Steve caught his first sailfish (tagged and released).

The next CCPNG event is the Members Only Lunch at The Gantry, Royal Papua Yacht Club on 17th June followed by the Carbine Credit Corp Olympic Lunch, a mixed event, to be held at The Crowne Plaza on 29th July where the guest will be Laurie Lawrence and the ever popular Marti Fields will entertain.



HONG KONG NEWS - NEW OFFICE BEARERS

On May 14th 2016 The Carbine Club of Hong Kong presented a cheque for HK\$125,502.00 to The Riding for the Disabled Association of Hong Kong, during a special race day at Shatin. The Club was represented by Mr. Bruce Stinson, immediate past President and Life Member and Special Member Mr. David Boehm.

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On May 20th 2016 The Carbine Club of Hong Kong held its Annual General Meeting. Mr. John Ridley (*Pic right*) was unanimously elected as the new President, Mr. Mark Winstanley as the Vice President, Mr. David Garcia as the Hon Treasurer, Mr. Glenn Haley as the Hon Secretary, and Committeemen Mr. Murray Burton, Mr. Andrew Steadson, and Mr. Daniel Zigal.



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The outgoing President Mr. Trevor Gregory reported at the AGM that the Club raised HK\$574,000.00 during the year for various charities.

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The AGM was followed by a dinner/dance enjoyed by all members and their spouses.

The Long Room Lunch - London

The Carbine Club of London has released details of the forthcoming Lord's Long Room Lunch which will be held on Tuesday 5 July, 2016.

Always a fantastic lunch in this iconic venue, once again the Club has extended an invitation to all Carbiners and this has been very popular with visiting members. This year the speaker will be renowned sports journalist and broadcaster Henry "Blowers" Blofeld.



Send an email to carbineclublondon@gmail.com if you would like further details.

Note that the RSVP date is 10 June.





At the Carbine Club AGM on May 19th President Graeme Johnson and Treasurer Fred Bayne reported positively as follows on another good year for the Club in 2015:

The two major lunches were very well attended with over 900 attendees at the Grand Final week lunch and almost 1000 at the Derby Eve lunch. The Annual Dinner was again a highlight with a colourful toast to the Club by Ian Wilson and a keynote address from Hawthorn Coach Alastair Clarkson. The Dinner was preceded by the annual Delegates meeting and was very well supported by members of our sister Clubs. It represents a great opportunity for CC members to catch up with members from other Clubs.

During 2015 the Club donated \$83,000 in total to a number of sports men and women. Representatives from the VIS and Disability Sports & Recreation attended the lunch which followed the AGM & were great respondents to the unique, colourful & entertaining interview style of CC doyen, Leon Wiegard.

The Honourable Linda Dessau, AM, who had been a regular attendee at our Grand Final week lunch prior to her appointment, has been at both our major lunches and enjoyed them both. She readily accepted our invitation to be Patron of the Carbine Club.

Finally, to quote from the President's Report:

"I have said before, but will do so again, that it is an absolute privilege to be a Member of this great Club.

It is not a right.

But members do have an obligation to support the Club. I think that being a Member of a Club is just like life...the more you put into it the more you get out of it. I urge members to not only attend Club functions but to also consider how you might contribute to Club life whether it be helping with the organisation or set up of one of the functions, joining the Committee or representing the Club at one of our sister Club functions if you happen to be interstate at the time."



Club Diary - Jun to Oct 2016

The	6 June – Golf Day, Huntingdale
Carbine Club-	14 June – Delegates Meeting (RACV) & Annual Dinner (Australian Club)
Melbourne	18 August – Members Lunch, Heroes Club
	27 Sep- AFL Grand Final Luncheon, Crown

Overseas Clubs

PNG	New Zealand
17 June – Members Lunch, PMGFC Gantry	
29 July – Olympic Luncheon, Crowne Plaza	
Vanuatu	Singapore
12 August – Races Function	8 July – Racing Luncheon, Grand Hyatt
	16 Sep – Members Lunch, Grand Hyatt
London	Hong Kong
5 July – Lord's Lunch, The Long Room	
23 Sep-Golf Day & Dinner, Royal Surrey GC	

Australian Clubs

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WA	NT		
13 July – Mid Week Racing Lunch, Belmont 12 Aug–Broome Cup Luncheon, Divers Tavern 23 Sep-WAFL Grand Final Lunch, Hyatt Hotel	16 June – V8 Supercars 23 July – Raceday 28 July – Darwin Cup Luncheon 16 Sep – Founders Luncheon		
NSW 1 July - AFL Lunch, Four Seasons Hotel 3 August- Golf Day at St Michael's Golf Club 19 August-Rugby Union Bledisloe Lunch, Weston	SA 24 June- Members Anniversary Lunch, Playford 22 Sep- SANFL Grand Final Lunch, Adelaide Oval		
29 Sep- Rugby League GF Luncheon			
QLD	TAS		
17 June – State of Origin Lunch, Tattersalls Club	24 June-Olympic Lunch, Grand Chancellor		
ACT			

22 Jun- NRL State of Origin II Lunch, Jim Murphy's Board Room 29 Jul- AFL Luncheon-Giants v Richmond, National Press Club 7 Oct- Tony Campbell Memorial Cup Day, Thoroughbred Park



Just like the Club and the characters in it, flyers from the Carbine Club of Papua New Guinea are very colourful!

