



THE CARBINE CLUB of NEW ZEALAND

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Newsletter to members

OBITUARY - Gerald Stanley REA QSM (Gerry)

Life Member **Gerry Rea** QSM died on 23rd February 2018 aged 84. Gerry had been a member of the Carbine Club since 1994 and was a regular attendee of functions and a tireless worker for the Club. He was involved in its administration for many years in a variety of roles, including as President of the Club. He also chaired the very successful Carbine Club Congress in Auckland in 2010 and under his astute leadership, the event realised a substantial surplus which resulted in increased funds for disabled athletes. He was made a Life Member of the Club later that year.

An accountant by profession, he left the partnership of Gilfillan Morris & Co. to found Gerry Rea Partners, a specialist insolvency and litigation support practice, which handled some of the major receiverships in New Zealand. He was a person of great energy and enthusiasm for assisting and helping with projects in the community. He was a past President and Life Member of (now) Grammar TEC. He was a member of the committee that developed the Shore Road reserve into a playing surface for junior rugby in the winter and cricket in the summer. He was also the initial CEO of the Ellerslie Flower Show. Gerry made an outstanding contribution to sport and the community and this was recognised when he received a Queens Service Medal in 2012.

Our sincere condolences to Robin and the family on the loss of their husband and father, a true gentleman always enthusiastically working for the benefit of others.

25th ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT – Monday 26th February 2018

The Annual Charity Golf Tournament was a huge success realising a surplus of over \$37,000 for disabled athletes. Our sincere thanks to Susie Simcock and her team for their usual outstanding organisation and also to our very generous sponsors, participants and members who contributed to make the event such a success. It was very exciting to reach a new record sum at this milestone event.

2017 PARAFED AUCKLAND CARBINE CLUB SCHOLARSHIP

Parafed Auckland awards the Carbine Club Scholarship to an athlete or athletes who are taking part in a sport with a Paralympic pathway, and have been identified by their National Sporting body, as having the potential to attend the Paralympic Games in the next 3-7 years.

Neelam O'Neil, a Para-Shooter who has represented New Zealand internationally and is an active coach at the Parafed Auckland Shooting Club, was the 2017 recipient of the Carbine Club Scholarship. She is currently in the Paralympic Pathway to Podium programme and this scholarship will assist her training and ambition of becoming New Zealand's first female Paralympic shooter since 1984.

Of interest, other Para-Athletes on the 2017 Pathway to Podium programme include former beneficiaries of Carbine Club scholarships, Olivia Upston (swimming) and Ronan Murphy (shooting). Well done Neelam and good luck to all three.

CARBINE CLUB AGM and MEMBERS LUNCHEON - *Friday 27th April 2018*

The Carbine Club Annual General Meeting will take place at this year at the Remuera Club, formerly the CT Club, in 27-33 Ohinerau Road, Remuera. We require a minimum of 20 attendees for a quorum and we have to cater for a minimum of 30 people so we need member support. **Please mark the date and make an effort to attend.**

Regards

VJ Latta

Secretary

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