



The Carbiner

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Carbine Club Western Australia – Member Only Luncheon

The Carbine Club of Western Australia were fortunate to be able to hold a member's luncheon on 24 July due to the easing of WA government restrictions. With guest speaker, Trevor Nesbitt, CEO of the West Coast Eagles giving CCWA members a fascinating insight into the club's situation with the playing group which, at the time of the event, had just returned from the Queensland hub location and played the Fremantle Dockers on Sunday July 19th.

The logistics and changes that the Eagles had to endure made for very interesting listening and club members were able to ask Trevor pertinent questions regarding the expected way the season would unfold. CCWA were very appreciative of Trevor's time in what have been unprecedented times for this 2020 AFL season.



Vale Harvey Crossman

CCWA lost well respected member Harvey Crossman, who sadly passed away during July following a battle with illness. Harvey was an influential and much-respected member of the WA racing community, most known within the industry for his long-time service as the president of the Western Australian Racehorse Owners Association (WAROA). Harvey was one of eight to be granted Lifetime Membership of the Association.



In addition to his 13 years at WAROA, his time as Chairman of the Australian Racehorse Owners Council and service to the Perth Racing Board, Harvey became one of the most recognisable figures in the WA racing industry.

Harvey's passion for racehorse ownership saw him establish the Lima syndicate with trainer Paul Jordan over two decades ago, which has become one of WA's most successful syndicates. FOR YOUR EYES ONLY, VOLITION, REVOLUTION, CLARECASTLE and the runner-up in the 2019's Group Three WA Sires Produce SPECIALISM were some of his most known horses. SPECIALISM was known to hold a special place in Harvey's heart, as he bred her out of his much-loved mare CLARECASTLE.

The WA Club will hold the following lunches for 2020

- Wednesday 28 October - Members and Guests - mid week racing luncheon in the Director's Lounge at Ascot Racecourse
- Friday 20 November - Racing luncheon - Full tables at The Hyatt Perth.

CCNZ- SUSIE SIMCOCK FUTURE LEADERS SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCED



Sport New Zealand's Future Leaders Scholarship has been renamed in honour of the late Susie Simcock. Susie was the first female to win the SPARC (now Sport New Zealand) Leadership Award at the 2009 Halberg Awards and with her tireless work advocating and mentoring young leaders over many years, particularly young women, this a very appropriate honour.

CCNZ remains optimistic that the beSportive Luncheon planned for 25 Sep at Ellerslie will be able to go ahead, whilst the Memorial Service for Susie has been deferred to 26 November.

Upcoming Events –

CCQLD – Members Luncheon on 14 Sep

CCNZ beSportive Luncheon on 25 Sep

CCTAS AGM on 30 Sep

HEARTBEAT OF A NATION

With AFL firmly at the forefront over these coming finals weeks we turned our thoughts to one of the many great Carbine AFL Luncheons - at The Carbine Club's 41st AFL Grand Final Luncheon at Crown Towers, Melbourne on September 20, 2005 CC member and Collingwood President Eddie McGuire proposed the Toast to Football.

The Toast was warmly received and an edited transcript of the Toast which was published in the *Herald Sun* on Thursday, September 22, 2005 follows



"Today I'd like to pay tribute to the game that makes this country's heart beat – the great game of Australian rules football. I defy anybody not to be thrilled by the sight of players flying for spectacular marks, the amazing runs and skill of bouncing that odd-shaped ball, the courage required to have eyes for the ball when that pack is bearing down on you. The exquisite skills, the fact that it doesn't matter who you are or what you are, or what size or shape you may be – you need only have the courage to put your head over the ball to be a football hero in this country.

Our game, the game for Aussies, has done more in my mind to help form this magnificent multicultural society we live in than any immigration policy.

It is the personification of everything that we hold true to be the character of Australians.

Cheats on the football ground get found out quickly.

All of us discover our sporting religion; in my case beloved Collingwood.

Families can still have a great game together. A great day together in comfort without riots, where children learn the rhythm of life, their family traditions and the great rivalries involved.

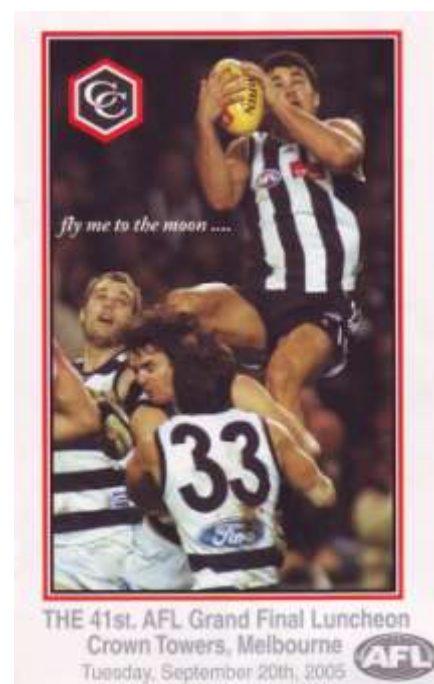
Not only has football led the way in racial tolerance, but Aboriginal boys are now breaking their cycle of poverty, bigotry and death by playing our only indigenous game.

I pay tribute to all those who have gone before us, the coaches, the mothers who cut up the oranges, the stars of the media, the administrators and the visionaries, the supporters and the players.

Rugby (union) may be the game they play in heaven, soccer may well be the world game but Aussie rules is the game we play here."

Fly me to the moon ...

The Chris Tarrant mark – by Herald Sun Photographer Michael Dodge featured on the Luncheon program.



From the past.....

An extract from an early edition of The Carbiner with details of the International Congress held in Darwin many moons ago – a reminder of great times past, and a pointer of things to come!

DARWIN CONGRESS: A WEEK OF MANY UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCES



Oh, what a week it was at the club's Sixth International Congress, held in Darwin mid-year

From the outset, things went smoothly, thanks to the outstanding organisational ability of the Carbine Club's Northern Territory chapter. No matter what their time of arrival, delegates were met at the airport and hosted superbly.

Dinner at the Darwin Yacht Club and a stunning sunset, along with a "welcome" dinner and entertainment at Government House, were features of a full agenda.

So, too, was an 'Adventure Day' involving jumping crocodiles; a helicopter ride into wetlands; an airboat ride over water lilies; chasing water buffalo and wild pigs; and a gourmet lunch in a marquee by a billabong featuring buffalo, crocodile, barramundi, great reds and whites and the odd "cleansing ale" or two. After lunch, barramundi fishing was the order of the day.

Other highlights included witnessing live firing from tanks at the Defence Force Establishment, rides in the tanks, and the nightly Carbine Club happy hour at the

Rydges Plaza. The Watcher again did his duty every night.

On the Wednesday, Ron Barassi was guest speaker at the club luncheon, while the ladies spent a wonderful day viewing pearls and dining by the water.

The activities seemed endless as the week continued. Unforgettable experiences were the evening at Mindil Beach, a visit to the Territory Wildlife Park and a Parliament House reception.

On the Saturday that rounded off the week, delegates were guests at the Fanny Bay races. They even had their own marquee - complete with TAB - right on the winning post. Thankfully, some good winners came home. That night, a farewell function was held on the lawns of the MGM Grand Casino, when everyone promised to meet in Tasmania in two years' time.

When the congress was all over, everyone headed home for a well-earned rest and to start some serious training for the next one!

The Darwin Congress photographs below and those above, left to right



Tony Shaw (CCNT) found some photos from the '94 post Congress tour- recognise anyone?



