

NOMINATION FOR LIFE MEMBERSHIP - VICKY LATTA

Rule 13(d) of the Carbine Club of New Zealand empowers the Club in General Meeting, on the recommendation of the Committee, to confer Life Membership on any member who has rendered significant or outstanding service to the Club.

I have the privilege, on behalf of your Committee, to recommend the conferring of Life Membership on a member who richly deserves the conferring of such an honour.

Vicky Latta had a very successful career as a world class equestrian, winning a silver medal at the Barcelona Olympics in 1992 in the Three Day Team event and a bronze in 1996 at the Atlanta Olympics in the same event.

She has managed the New Zealand Eventing team, has been a National Eventing Committee member and a national jumping and dressage judge.

Her community volunteering involvement includes as a Board member on Ambury Park Centre for Riding Therapy, the Australia New Zealand Sport Law Association, the local Regional Sports Trust and undertaking remedial reading assistance at a local school.

She keeps fit for these activities through Pilates, Yoga and Ballet.

Turning to her specific involvement with the Carbine Club of New Zealand, she was one of the inaugural women members of the Carbine Club and after a few years as a member Vicky was elected to the most demanding position in the Club, that of Secretary, over ten years ago.

During that time, she has attended every Committee meeting, prepared minutes and ensured decisions taken were actioned, provided regular Member newsletters, flyers for the lunches and other events, kept overseas Carbine Clubs up to date with New Zealand activities through The Carbiner, the international Club newsletter, attended and worked at the Annual Golf Tournament and the traditional Christmas barbecue, and travelled to Melbourne every year with the incumbent New Zealand President to attend the Annual Delegates' meeting there. Those were real pioneering trips in the first few years too!! She was until recently the only Carbine Club woman official in the world.

In short, Vicky has been the fulcrum which ensures the Carbine Club of New Zealand continues to pursue and achieve its objectives.

It is a pleasure and a privilege to propose Vicky Latta as a Life Member.

John Lindsay
Past President, Carbine Club of New Zealand

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