



The Carbiner

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THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE CARBINE CLUB

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The Carbine Club South Australia- SANFL GF LUNCH

(report and pics sent in by Neville Mead & Robbi Timms)

The Carbine Club of SA's annual SANFL Grand Final lunch was held in the Magarey Room at Adelaide Oval on Thursday 15 September 4 days prior to the clash between Premiership teams North Adelaide and Norwood football clubs.



To start the day – Mark SODA Soderstrom was officially welcomed and given a Carbine Glass set as part of his birthday (52) and thanks for 13 years as MC for our Football luncheon.

Peter McVann, President of CCSA, held court welcoming guests along with David Firth who represented our Major Sponsor, Bank SA.

*L -Peter McVann with our MC - thanks heaps SODA!
R- L-R: Rachael Sporn OAM, Peter McVann and Juliette Haslam OAM*



The Carbine Club's two new Special Members – Juliet Haslam OAM and Rachael Sporn OAM were present to receive their membership from Peter McVann. Juliet and Rachael have an outstanding career in women's sport having respectively represented Australia in Hockey and Basketball with both continuing to support and promote Women in Sport.

Carbine Club of SA's members recently held a Special General Meeting to endorse Elaine Condon as a Life Member. Elaine is retiring as Accounts Manager from the club after 20 + years of Carbine duties along with Husband John. Elaine was formally presented with her Life Membership by CCSA President Peter McVann.

L-R: Elaine Condon and Sue Koch (the new Elaine)



As is tradition on the day, the two coaches – Jade Rawlings from Norwood and Jacob Surjan from North Adelaide – were interviewed along with a ‘from the floor’ interview with the 3 Central umpires. The new recruit Tom Bryce was drilled again about whether he is a Tosser or a Bouncer! For a change, the umpires became the centre of attention with a very entertaining interview.



L-R: Tom Bryce, Peter McVann, Mitch Scott, Corey Bowen, Rob Kerin (Chair, SANFL)

There was also a great presentation of the Carbine Club of SA's Sports Scholarship to an up-coming Norwood recruit Tristan Edwards, from the Eyre Peninsula league's Mallee Park. Darren Chandler – SANFL CEO announced the recipient and noted a stellar year of football for the SANFL with many games less than a 12-point margin between teams.

Tristan is a young man of few words, as our MC Mark “Soda” Soderstrom tried hard to get some information from him. Tristan received a \$5,000 Scholarship from the inaugural sponsor of these awards, Thomas Foods International – Anthony Stewart CEO officiated, with Carbine Member and Managing Director (TFI) Darren Thomas watching on from his table. Tristan has his sights set on playing for the Power, but word has it that Darren Thomas is keen to sway Tristan to the Crows.

L-R: Darren Chandler, Anthony Stewart (Thomas Foods Int'l) Peter McVann, Tristan Edwards & David Firth (BankSA)



The day also honours both Men and Women's Best and Fairest – Aaron Young from North Adelaide received the coveted Magarey medal and Jess Bates from Glenelg Football Club earning SANFLW Best and Fairest award.

L-R: Aaron Young, Peter McVann, Jess Bates

Novita were our Charity for the day, Brett Ebert represented his late father Russell who was an Ambassador for Novita for many years and assisted with proceedings, wishing the SANFL well for the weekend's Grand Final, and Matthew Robran – Novita's Fundraising manager (and son of Barrie Robran who is also an Ambassador for Novita) announced another resounding \$15,000+ received for the raffle and lucky ball ticket draws.



To close off an exceptional day Titus O'Reily – entertaining AFL satirist – held the 550 strong crowd in great laughter... fitting way to end a great day of Footy.Snippets

L-R: Soda, Darren Chandler (CEO, SANFL) and Brett Ebert

(More pics over)

L: Nick Karasoulos from Harvey Norman with raffle prize winner of a Wine Fridge

Centre: Peter McVann, Titus O'Reilly and Rob Kerin

R: L-R: Crows fanatics – John Condon OAM and Graham Taylor with Tim Silvers – CEO, AFC



Below: L-R: Ken Eustice, Suzi Evans (Eustice) and Dr Jack Rogers



NEW ZEALAND

OBITUARY - Gordon William John DRYDEN

Sadly, Gordon Dryden, another of the Carbine Club's founding members died peacefully on 26th September 2022 aged 91. Gordon was President of the Club from 1978-1980 and served on the Committee from the Club's inception in 1971 until 1982, then again from 1986-88 and 2010-11. Gordon started out as a journalist and was one of the founders of Radio Pacific, the first talkback radio station before becoming well known for his commentaries on radio and television. He later moved into public relations, business and publishing and co-wrote books on learning and the future of learning which sold millions of copies worldwide. Although Gordon spent much time travelling following his move from broadcasting, he supported the Club and its activities whenever in New Zealand.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA – WAFL Grand Final Luncheon

The Carbine Club of WA held its annual WAFL Grand Final Luncheon at the Hyatt Hotel on Friday 30th September. There were 450 Members & Guests in attendance including representatives from the 10 WAFL Clubs, WA Football Commission, Grand Final Umpires and Guest Speaker Richmond FC Coach Damian Hardwick who was interviewed by MC Tim Gossage.

WAFC Vice Chair Dixie Marshall made a Toast to Football and a panel interview was hosted by our MC with the Captains and Coaches of the Grand Final Teams West Perth & Claremont. Several former WAFL Sandover Medallists were in attendance hosted by Ian Sandover. Graham Moss CC Life Member & WAFL Champion and Brownlow Medallist presented 2022 Sandover Medallist Blaine Boekhorst with the Carbine Club Sandover Medallist Award.



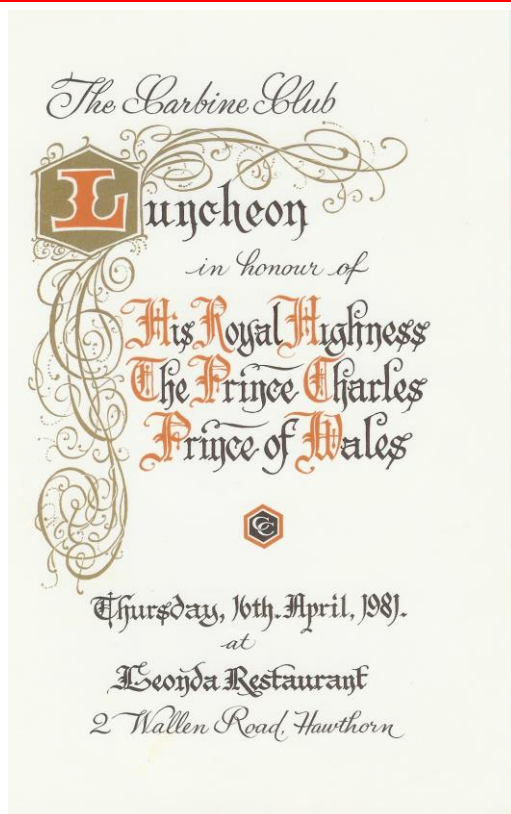
President Neil Pinner presented long serving Committee Member and former CCWA President and Secretary Leith Putland with Life Membership of the CCWA. "Leithal" is well known in Carbine circles, he became a member in 2006 and soon became an active member of the committee, serving those terms as a major office bearer and he continues to this day as a committee member. Leith was President during the most recent Congress in WA, and he also plays an important role in keeping The Carbiner up to date with news from the West. *(Pic- Pres Neil Pinner at left with Leith)*

The Luncheon was an outstanding success and the club looks forward to the 2022 CC Racing Luncheon to be held on 18th November at the Hyatt Hotel.



*(Pics: top left - Lex Piper, Karen Piper-Hyman & Shirley Piper
Top centre- Jesse Andrews, Ted Poole, Judith Dickie, David Harding,, Ann Jones, Gary Dickie & Butch Dickie
Top right- Tony Brennan & Lloyd Meredith
Centre left – Paul Cox, Chayse Creedy, Stephen Hooper & Brett Davis
Centre right– Trevor Nisbett, Neil Pinner & Bryan Cousins
Bottom – Chris O'Brien & Darren Griffiths)*





From the Carbine Club Archives.....

Lunch with the Prince of Wales ..now King Charles III

In 2011 prominent Carbiner Robin Flannery compiled the Club booklet "Carbine Club Classics" and the following story, reproduced from the publication, telling of a visit by the then Prince Charles was penned by our own Carbine Club classic in Trevor Craddock:

PIÈCE de RÉSISTANCE By TREVOR CRADDOCK

I was chuffed to provide the foreword for this assortment of stories and before the sun sets on it I'll sneak in a tale about The Carbine Club's ultimate Guest of Honour: His Royal Highness Prince Charles, Prince of Wales, who at that time was in his early thirties. It was 1981 when, instead of giving a speech, the Guest of Honour

answered questions off the cuff from members and guests, and everything was "in club".

The story of this accomplishment might be helpful to our sister clubs in seeking royalty or other government-sponsored VIPs.

On hearing of the Prince's proposed visit, I contacted the Department of Protocol of our government who advised me there was only one opportunity in his itinerary to attend a luncheon, and we would need to make a submission to them giving reasons why we should be selected. We did not have as high a profile in those days but elected to "gild the lily" a bit and indicate the variety of internationally known sports people who were members and the unique style of our meetings.

The venue would be Leonda by the Yarra, a function centre heralded as the "most modern in Australia" when it opened in 1971. Leonda was the former Hawthorn Tea Gardens, considered in my youth to be an integral part of courtship rituals. We would ferry down the Yarra and spend the day canoodling in canoes and hired rowing boats.

Now, back to the royal yarn.

Ultimately it came down to a contest between Melbourne Rotary and ourselves and after we were selected I had to go to Leonda – where we were limited to forty tables of ten – to go through every detail of arrival and procedure. Prince Charles agreed to the idea of questions in club but wanted a list in advance. His Highness adhered to this request but on the day there was not time to get through them all. He was not selective and also not pleased that he had to leave us for elsewhere. The frankness with which he spoke impressed everyone.

The only downside was that one of the members' guests – we believed to be a politician – spoke to a reporter. As early as breakfast time next morning the Prince's aide was on the phone to me. I apologised sincerely, saying truthfully that this was the first time it had happened in our twenty years.



(Pic – Charles in 1981)

Calendar of Events

The Carbine Club



Friday 28 October – Derby Eve Lunch
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 December (tbc) – Christmas Lunch (M&G)

Australian Capital Territory



Fri 9 Dec – AGM Lunch, Boardroom Jim Murphy's (MO)
 Mon 12 Dec – CC Russell Parkes Memorial Golf Day, Royal Canberra Golf Club (MO)
 Mon 12 Dec – Members and Partners Christmas Cocktail Party, RCGC (M&G)

Hong Kong



13 October – Member Golf Day, Clearwater Bay Country Club
 4 Nov - HK Rugby 7s Lunch, Hong Kong Football Club
 9 Dec - International Racing Lunch, Hyatt Regency TST

2023 Events

31 March – Rugby 7's Lunch, HK Football Club
 19 May – AGM & Dinner – HKJC or HK Club (TBC)

London



31 October – Sam Vestey Annual Members Dinner & AGM, Alfred Tennyson

2023 Events

7 March, 2023 – Cheltenham Festival Dinner, OXO Tower
 May (TBC) Annual Golf Day
 19 June– Lord's Ashes Test Luncheon

New South Wales



9 December (TBC) – Christmas Function M+1

(Decision pending on final date between 2 or 9 Dec – watch this space!)

New Zealand



21 October – Racing Lunch
24 November – 50th Anniversary Dinner, Tote Room, Ellerslie Racecourse

Northern Territory



21 October – Cox Plate Lunch, PeeWees (M&G 200 max)
9 December – Christmas Dinner (M&P) venue TBA

Papua New Guinea



22 October – Cox Plate Day, Aviat Club
18 November – Members Only Lunch, National Football Stadium, POM
2 December – Carbine Members Xmas Cocktail Party, Crown Hotel, POM

Queensland



13 October - Cricket Lunch, Cricketers Club
2 December - Christmas Members Lunch (MO), Venue Gold Coast TBA

The Carbine Club of Singapore

Xmas Lunch: Friday 16th December. Grand Hyatt

South Australia



7th Dec - Adelaide Test Luncheon, Magarey Room, Adelaide Oval

Tasmania



14 October – Soccer Luncheon

Tokyo



Melbourne Cup Luncheon – November 1st

Vanuatu



4 November – “Boy’s Night Out”, L’Houstalet Restaurant

Western Australia

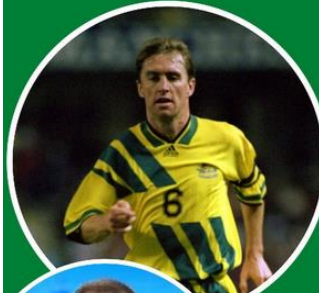




30 September – WAFL Grand Final Luncheon, Hyatt Regency
21 October – MO Luncheon, Mayfair Lane
18 November – Racing Luncheon, Hyatt Regency
Xx December – Cricket Luncheon (details TBC)

Last chance for bookings for this event in Tas.....

And if you are looking to book for the big one in Melbourne – the Derby Eve luncheon, go here:

<https://www.thecarbineclub.org/event/vrc-derby-eve-lunch-2>


**Carbine Club
Tasmania**

**WORLD
CUP
Luncheon**

The FIFA World Cup kicks off in Qatar on November 20, and to celebrate Australia qualifying for the tournament, our special guest speaker is former Socceroo captain

Paul Wade

Friday October 14



Venue: Royal Yacht Club of Tasmania
Address: Marieville Esplanade Sandy Bay
Time: 12.00pm for 12.30pm
Attire: Jacket & Tie/Blazer & Skirt or Pants
RSVP: October 10, 2022

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