

The Carbiner

"For sport and for good fellowship"



The August Edition - Number 11 for 2017 - August 15th

News in this Edition – SA, NZ



CARBINE CLUB OF SA - Members 34th Anniversary Luncheon

The Carbine Club of SA hosted the Members' 34th Anniversary Luncheon on Thursday 20 July at the Playford Adelaide. The day was ably hosted by local sports media journalist Mark Soderstrom. Over 145 members and guests attended and were warmly welcomed by President Nick Chigwidden who updated everyone on the Carbine Club activities.



Chairman – Nick Chigwidden

Nick also welcomed Club founder
Barry Smith and inaugural Treasurer
John Hardy to the lunch. Both Barry
and John were integral players for the
inception of the chapter of Carbine
Club in South Australia.



 $\hbox{\it L-R: Inaugural Treasurer John Hardy, and Club Founder Barry Smith\ with\ Nick\ Chigwidden}$



After the welcome speech, David Shipway, who was acknowledged for his recent award of an AM in the Queen's birthday awards, was at hand to demonstrate to Carbine member Rob Chapman a good way to block out recent comments about loud noises emanating from the West Adelaide Football Club, by presenting and placing a set of red and black ear muffs on Rob's head.

The key note speaker was The Honorable John Olsen AO, who enlightened members on the status of both the SANFL and Adelaide Oval Stadium Management Authority (AOSMA) businesses of which he is President & Chairman respectively for both.



For SANFL, he spoke on the difficult times when the league moved from Football Park, and the debt carried once the AFL teams departed from the league's affiliation. As Football park has been sold the financial burdens have been lifted and the SANFL is now stronger than ever, and participation in footy is growing especially with the development of Women's football in most areas around the state.

The Hon John Olsen AO addresses the Members Anniversary Lunch

John relayed the intricacies of the unique set up of the AOSMA and how it differed dramatically from the Subiaco model that will be used once it opens in Western Australia. He strongly and passionately spoke about the flexibility of the ground staff at Adelaide Oval moving from football one night to soccer within 24 hours – a feat that few stadiums can boast. John spoke also of the turf farm at Langhorne Creek where the AOSMA farms 5,000 sq metres of turf, allowing for portions of turf to be replaced at any time with no effect on the playing surface. He also took questions from the floor, one of which was a "golden" membership which is sought by both Cricket and AFL Football members who would dearly love to have a dual sport membership.

Mark Soderstrom interviewed Michael Voss – 2011 AFL Hall of Fame Inductee and 1996 Brownlow Medalist with the Brisbane Lions and now an Assistant Coach with the Port Adelaide Football Club's AFL team. Michael spoke candidly about his approach to football, and the years as coach Brisbane



Lions being a bit premature for him, but was gaining valuable experience with Ken Hinkley at the Power. He also relayed some historical and humorous stories about his playing career and the extraordinary characters on his team. One anecdote revolved around a crazy end of season romp with fellow players shown in the picture below of himself in an orange velour suit which Vossy professes to still have in his wardrobe!

L-R: Mark Soderstrom and Vossy hold the intimidating players 'muck up' pic

CARBINER11 2017



Michael did squash rumours on his possible departure from Power that had been mooted in the press in recent days. Mark questioned also the team that Port has at the moment, which Vossy felt was still learning the path to grand final glory. He said that AFL football had many ups and downs in 2017, while the football landscape itself was a very volatile and unpredictable one, which is exciting for all AFL teams to be part of this year.

L-R: Hon John Olsen AO, Nick Chigwidden and Michael Voss

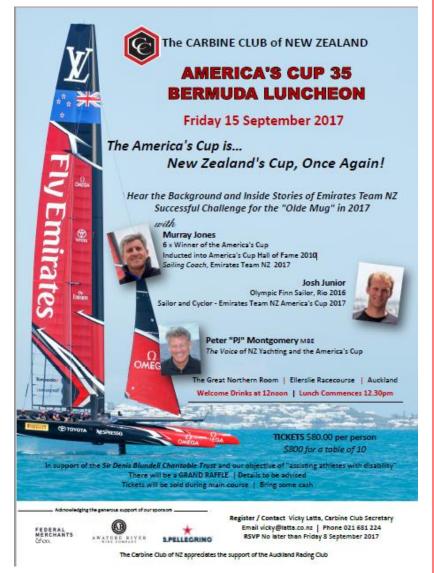
The next event for the Carbine Club will be the SANFL Grand Final Luncheon on Thursday 21 September at Adelaide Oval.

Supplied by CCSA Honorary Secretary John Condon OAM & Ms Robbi Tims

Carbine Club of NZ – Para Sponsorships

Carbine Club of NZ Secretary
Vicky Latta reports on the Clubs
donations to Paralympics and Parafed:-

"At the Lions Tour Rugby luncheon held on 6th July 2017, members and their guests enjoyed the discussion between member Phil Gifford who interviewed guest speaker James Gemmell, the Sky UK Rugby broadcaster. At this luncheon, a total of \$34,000 was paid to Paralympics New Zealand and Parafed Auckland from the Sir Denis Blundell Charitable Trust. Each organisation received \$17,000 being the result of generous support of our fundraising efforts through the year and in particular the very successful Annual Golf Tournament. World record holder and Paralympian multi gold medallist Cameron Leslie thanked the Carbine Club for its support of disabled sport and the importance of this assistance in helping promising disabled athletes towards



reaching their potential. It was very rewarding to hear this from one who has benefitted in the past from the Club's support of disabled athletes."

Coming Events:

AUGUST

VIC - Members Lunch at The Heroes Club on August 17

NSW- Rugby Lunch on 18 August

WA Broome Cup Luncheon, Zee Bar, Broome on 18 August

PNG - Sportsman's Lunch - Cricket- at the Gateway on 18 August

QLD -Members Only Luncheon and EGM on 25 August

NSW - Annual Golf Day 30 August

SEPTEMBER

TAS - AGM & Dinner- Athenaeum Club, 1 September

NZ - Americas Cup Luncheon on 15 Sep

SA - SANFL Grand Final Luncheon on 21 September at Adelaide Oval

WA - WAFL GF Luncheon at the Hyatt on 22 September

London - 22 September - Members Golf Day, Richmond Course, Royal Mid Surrey

QLD - Commonwealth Games Luncheon at Star Casino (formerly Jupiters) on 22 Sep

Tuesday, Sept 26 - AFL Grand Final Luncheon at Crown

NSW - Rugby League GF Lunch on 28 Sep

OCTOBER

ACT - Tony Campbell Memorial Cup Day at Thoroughbred Park on 6 October

WA - Memebrs Lunch at the Richardson on 20 October

HK - Cricket Luncheon on 27 October

PNG - Sportsman's Lunch - Rugby League World Cup - The Stanley on 27 October

PNG- Cox Plate Day at The Aviat Club on 28 October

NOVEMBER

Friday November 3 - VRC Derby Eve Luncheon at Crown

London - AGM & Melbourne Cup Eve Dinner on 6 November at the Alfred Tennyson in Knightsbridge

QLD - Cricket Lunch at the Gabba on 21 November

WA - Racing Luncheon at the Hyatt on 24 November

ACT - Golf Day & Cocktail Party at Royal Canberra on 30 November (TBC)

DECEMBER

SA - Ashes Test cricket Luncheon on 1 December PNG - Xmas Cocktail Party on 1 December (TBC)

NSW- EOY Lunch on 8 Dec HK - International Races Luncheon on 8 December

ACT - AGM Lunch at Jim Murphy's on 8 December Vic - Members Xmas Lunch at RACV on December12

TAS- Xmas Dinner at Macq1 on 13 Dec