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*Dear Member*

Our busy off Season sporting calendar started in earnest last weekend after a very lively cocktail party at the Turf Club. The Rabls collected the golfing silverware at the New Zealand Golf Club and, I'm pleased to say, the President's X111 was victorious again with bat and ball at Culham on the banks of the River Thames. Many thanks to organisers, Geoffrey Goddard and Harry Sheppard, and especially to Urs and Francesca Schwarzenbach for inviting us to one of the loveliest cricket grounds in England. And not forgetting too, Ralph Hubbard, whose aerial display in his Tiger Moth was spectacular.

#### **Membership Elections**

Before the cocktail party your Committee had a busy day at the end of which 16 new Full members and 10 new NALMs were elected as per the list below. All but two of the 28 Full Member applications were being made for the first time and no one was elected who had less than 12 rides this past Season. I will write in the Autumn clarifying certain aspects of the Application process. However, the key message is that Proposers and Seconders need to be much more assiduous to give their candidates the best chance; and the earlier an application is completed during the Season the better. The deadline in future will be 6 p.m. the evening BEFORE the last day of the Season.

#### **Richard Robbins**

The unexpected matter the Committee had to discuss was that, once he has served us loyally for 25 years at the end of next Season, Richie Robbins would like to retire. There will be plenty of opportunities during next Season to remind Members of Richie's wide and varied contributions to the Club. Meanwhile we have to start looking to replace the irreplaceable. So if you know anyone who is numerate and organised with style, wit, and diplomacy in abundance, please contact our Secretary ( [rupert.wieloch@cresta-run.com](mailto:rupert.wieloch@cresta-run.com)) who can provide a full job specification and more background about our needs.

As I write, it's snowing heavily in St Moritz! Hopefully this is not a precursor to another dreadful summer in the Engadine as we want to look forward to a glorious Cresta weekend of golf, cricket, jazz and classic cars July 10th-12th. I hope to see many of you up in the mountains then. The Calendar has been posted on the website, and details of the events can be seen in the Members' area of the website.

Yours Ever

A handwritten signature in dark blue ink, appearing to read 'James Sunley', with a stylized flourish at the end.

#### **PS: Future dates for the diary:**

Aussie Corroboree, Sydney- Friday 9th October  
SCARS dinner, New York- Monday 26th October  
Autumn party, London- Friday 6th November  
Run opens, St Moritz- Friday 18th December

## **Elections to membership of the SMTC**

**May 2015**

The following were elected to Full Membership:

ALBERS-SCHOENBERG X.R.C.  
BOLLER D.A.  
BUFF J.J.  
CUTHBERT ALEXANDER.  
LANG A.R.  
LEFORT M.  
MUELLER G.M.  
RICE D.A.J.

RUEDA F.P.  
SUNLEY C.M.B.  
THORP H.C.  
ZEVI M.D.  
ZIROS L.A.  
BERNARDEAU F.  
MCCARTNEY R.L.  
MUELLER B.A.

The following Conversions to Life Membership were agreed:

ALBERS-SCHOENBERG H.G.  
MAZZOTTI M.G.  
MORRIS S.H.S.

SIEMPELKAMP C.E.  
THUN-HOHENSTEIN C.

The following were elected to Non-Active Life Membership:

ABEGG T.C.  
BRUPPACHER SUZANNE  
CHAN HALINA  
HOEHENER U.  
HOWORTH HEBE

MICHEL OLIVIA  
RABL GEORGINA  
REHFELDT REBEKKA  
SIEMPELKAMP BETTINA  
WINDER SHELLEY