



The Carbine Club of NSW

Jon Donohoe AM

Born: 1939

Carbine Club Member since: 1983

Jon has been involved in Surf Life Saving and The Aussies for over 62 years. He has not only been a top athlete but has also been involved in a number of other roles ranging from an Australian commentator, official and chairman of the Westpac Life Saver Rescue Helicopters service.

Jon won ten medals at The Australian Championships, six gold, three silver and one bronze.

In 1959 Jon was defending an Interstates title in Queensland as captain for the NSW team. He broke his shoulder during the race when he hit a buoy. Despite his shoulder he still managed to finish the race and his team still won.

Jon was an elite competitor for seven years and 57 years as an official or an administrator. He commentated on Surf Life Saving for the ABC for 20 years and as an announcer for Surf Life Saving at State, Australian and Club Championships

He was an official for Australian and Club Championships, anchored the first ever Surf Life Saving Championships that was broadcast in coloured TV. 17 years on the Surf Sports Board and was chairman of the Westpac Rescue Helicopters twice.

Jon is now a member of the Surf Life Saving Hall of Fame.