



# The Carbine Club of NSW

## John Coates AC

**Born:** 1950

**Carbine Club Member since:** 1981

John Coates has been a member of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) since 2001. He was Vice President from 2013-17 and a member of its Executive Board from 2009-2013.

He is Chair of the IOC's 2020 Tokyo Olympic and Paralympic Games Coordination Commission which has seen him in Tokyo on 33 occasions since Tokyo was elected in 2013.

He is Chair of the IOC Legal Affairs Commission, its Olympic Agenda 2020/The New Norm - Steering Committee and Working Group for Future Games Elections.

He is Deputy Chair of the 2032 Olympic Candidature Leadership Group.

Mr Coates is President of the International Council of Arbitration for Sport and Court of Arbitration for Sport (since 2011); President of the Australian Olympic Committee Inc. (since 1990) and Chair of the Australian Olympic Foundation Ltd (since 1995). He was Chef de Mission of the Australian Olympic Teams in Beijing, Athens, Sydney, Atlanta, Barcelona and Seoul and held other senior team positions in Los Angeles, Moscow and Montreal.

He was Vice President of the Sydney Olympic Bid, Senior Vice President of the Sydney Organising Committee for the 2000 Olympic Games (SOCOG) and Chair of the SOCOG Sports Commission.

He is a former Council Member for Oceania of the International Rowing Federation (FISA); former President of the Australian Amateur Rowing Council; former Deputy Chairman of the Australian Institute of Sport and Sports Commission; and, former Board member of the Sydney Olympic Park Authority.

Mr Coates is a graduate in law (LLB) from Sydney University (1969-1972) and Chair of thoroughbred horse auctioneers, William Inglis & Son Ltd. He served on the Board of David Jones Limited for 17 years, the last eight as Deputy Chair.

He was awarded the Olympic Order in Gold at the Closing Ceremony of the Sydney Olympics and the FISA Medal of Honour during those Games.

In 2006 Mr Coates was appointed to Australia's highest civilian honour as a Companion in the General Division of the Order of Australia (AC) "for service to the development of sport nationally and internationally through the Olympic movement promoting the well being of youth and values of tolerance, understanding, peace and mutual respect between peoples of the world".