

# Vale Chris Sabin

For over 15 of the 24 years since we created the Sydney Mining Club Chris Sabin has been our backstop.

His contribution of time, effort and care has been a gift to each one of us as members. So you can imagine our sadness in having to report to you news of his passing – peacefully at Alstonville on Christmas Eve.

His help was unrelenting and entirely voluntary. I addressed him as 'amigo' because he was a friend to me through all the challenges that continuously presenting high profile speakers threw at us. Chris fielded most of them.

His industry knowledge was encyclopaedic and he was always able to pick up the phone and connect with industry leaders with his slightly British and proper manner. It gave the Club a nice air. His connection with Sharon Johnson and her strong administration at the Lindfield Corporate Centre gave us a solid operating backbone.

We consistently presented major mining projects, one a month, year in year out. Over those years we served thousands of lunches, and the Club grew. Our Patron, the wonderful Trevor Sykes, was also very fond of Chris and was sad to hear of his passing. We have lost a loyal, constant and important friend.

Best wishes to all close to him, vale Chris.

Julian Malnic

