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A sell out crowd of 230 crammed into the Towers Hotel in Jersey Marine, to enjoy an evening of fine food and wine, alongside a look back at the 2017 Glamorgan Season and to reflect on the life and times of 'Shep' who sadly passed away recently.



*A full House-230 Guests*

MC Edward Bevan opened proceedings by asking Head Coach to join him to reflect on the Season that had just finished.



*Edward Bevan- MC*

Crofty was honest about the performances and accepted the need to improve on the three Championship victories, he praised the team for their efforts in White Ball cricket indicating that they went to Edgbaston to win not just to experience the day, and he reiterated how disappointed they were to lose the semi final.

John Williams the Chairman then welcomed all the guests paying tribute to the Sponsors, in particular Peter Lynn, Swansea City Council, Swansea University as well as many others, who have demonstrated a commitment and loyalty in supporting the provision of First class cricket at St Helen's and the concept of Festival Cricket. He also paid tribute to his band of Volunteers, who work tirelessly to ensure the Festival runs smoothly. He reminded the Glamorgan hierarchy present of the importance of retaining cricket at St Helen's. He was

pleased to welcome everyone in particular the Playing and Administrative Staff of Glamorgan CCC, as well as a group of past players and their partners.



*John Williams- Welcomes everyone*

As always the Towers staff were extremely professional and delivered all 3 courses in a timely manner, the quality of the food was right up to the very high standards we have come to expect.

Presentations and milestone awards took place as follows



Balconier member Brenda Davies presenting KIERAN BULL. 2<sup>nd</sup> X1 Player of the Year-2017



Balconier members Roy Evans and Audrey Douglas presenting KIRAN CARLSON in recognition of his Record 6<sup>th</sup> Wicket Partnership of 182 with Andrew Salter versus Gloucestershire CCC in 2017



Balconier member Bernard Pike presenting LUKAS CAREY The Gerry Munday Award for the Most Improved Uncapped Player of the Year-2017.



Balconier member David Harris presenting DAVID LLOYD in Recognition of his Maiden Championship Century versus Kent CCC in 2016 Season

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Balconier Members Richard Bentley and Alan Gibson presenting CHRIS COOKE in recognition of his Record 6<sup>th</sup> Wicket Partnership of 226 with Colin Ingram versus Nottinghamshire CCC in 2017

Colin Ingram was unable to attend to collect two Milestone Awards



Bleddyn Bowen on behalf of the Balconiers presents A Silver Salver to Robert Croft who accepted the trophy on behalf of COLIN INGRAM in recognition of his Record 6<sup>th</sup> Wicket Partnership of 226 with Chris Cooke versus Nottinghamshire CCC in 2017.

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COLIN INGRAM in recognition of the Fastest ever Century [46 Balls] in a T 20 Match for Glamorgan versus Sussex CCC, and the Most Sixes [59] in a One-Day Season-2017  
Also in the photograph MC Edward Bevan



Roy Evans presenting ANDREW SALTER in recognition of his Record 6<sup>th</sup> Wicket Partnership of 182 with Kiran Carlson versus Gloucestershire CCC in 2017



Balconier Member Cynthia Young presenting MICHAEL HOGAN- for taking 10 wickets in the match v Kent CCC at Canterbury



Swansea Cricket Festival Principal Sponsor Peter Lynn presenting MICHAEL HOGAN- with an engraved Rosebowl for reaching 500 first class wickets in the game against Kent CCC, when he dismissed Sam Northeast-September 2017



Chief Executive Hugh Morris presenting COLIN INGRAM Player of the Year earlier in the week at SSE Swalec

### Other Milestones



*Balconiers Chairman John Williams presenting MARK WALLACE with a Voucher for his Retirement Gift and a Cheque for the PCA Benevolent Fund*



Chief Executive Hugh Morris presenting *ROGER SKYRME* with the *Clubman of the Year Award*



*HUGH MORRIS*- receiving a Cheque for £20k from St Helen's Balconiers, presented by John Williams and Allan Gray

The final part of the evening saw a Heartfelt tribute to Don Shepherd by Glamorgan Head Coach Robert Croft, followed by a PowerPoint presentation to the music of Myfanwy of the life and career of the Great Man.





*Robert Croft-Pays Tribute to 'Shep'*



*A lovely off spinner and a lovely man*