

HOTEL LINDRUM

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the building itself has a long and colourful history...



Hotel Lindrum Melbourne has incorporated all aspects of its heritage in today's operation. The hotel owes its name to the Lindrum Billiard Centre that was once a resident of the building. The hotel features one of the original billiard tables, which has been restored to its former glory by Alcock, Walter and Thompson, the company that originally built the table. Memorabilia of Walter Lindrum in his championship era surround the billiard room.

WALTER LINDRUM

Born in 1898 in Kalgoorlie, Western Australia, Walter Albert Lindrum re-wrote the record books, establishing some 57 world records, none of which have been broken, except by himself. Although naturally righthanded he played billiards with his left hand - the legacy of a childhood accident when he lost the top joint of his right index finger. His childhood and youth were devoted to the development of his billiards under the guidance of his father.

From 1929-1933, Lindrum dominated the English billiards scene, conceding up to 7000 points start to his nearest rivals. The rules of the game were altered on several occasions to try to curb Lindrum's cannon play.

No player has ever approached Lindrum's incredible performances. The devotees of Walter Lindrum are not alone in their belief that he is one of the greatest sportsman who ever lived.

Walter Lindrum died in 1960. He was awarded an M.B.E. in 1951 and an O.B.E. in 1958 for his many years of charity work and support of the war effort.

HISTORY

1900

The building was commissioned by well-known Melbourne tea merchants, Griffiths Brothers and was used as their new store and

sales room for teas, coffees and cocoas. The building's design reflected the red brick Romanesque Revival style popular at the time in Flinders Street and Flinders Lane, with a façade of decorative render bands, an upper storey colonnade and giant arcade order with oriel elements.

1960's

In the 1920's, the eastern most block of Flinders Street became the headquarters for the Herald. By the mid 1940's, the Griffiths was leased to Verona Press and became a printing headquarters. As the Herald empire expanded, the building was acquired in the mid 1960's by the Herald and Weekly Times who renamed it 'Gravure House'. The building was fully occupied by various Herald subsidiaries and publications including Colorgravure Publications, United Press and Home Beautiful.

1973 - 1988

The former Griffith's Brothers building became a major focus of activity as a Melbourne billiard and snooker-playing establishment. Leased by Dolly Lindrum and her husband, Lindrum's Billiard Centre was partly named after her famous uncle, Walter Lindrum (1896-1960) but more so for a family that had produced four generations of billiard champions and snooker players. Lindrum's Billiard Centre sadly came to a close in 1988 after News Ltd, the new owner of the Herald and Weekly Times, took back the building to accommodate the offices of The Australian publication.

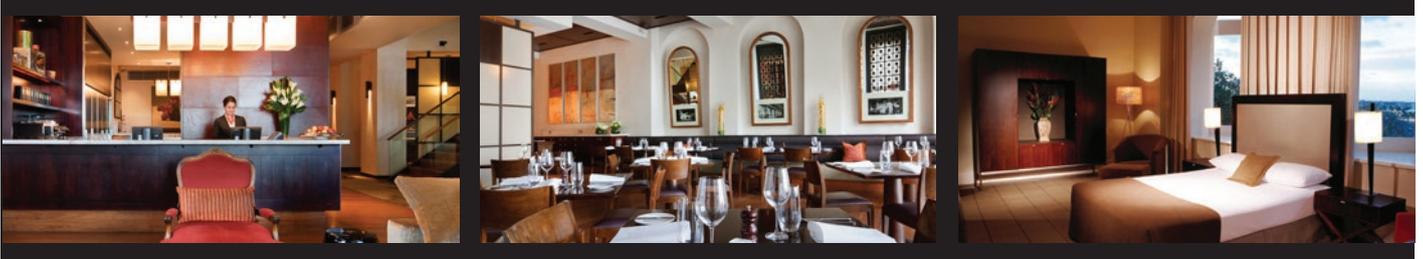
1995

With the relocation of the Herald and Weekly Times to new buildings in 1995, the building came up for sale and a greater potential use for the now historic building commenced.

1999

Hotel Lindrum opened its doors on 12th July 1999. Hotel Lindrum brought to Melbourne, a new concept in hotel accommodation, being amongst the first boutique hotels to enter the market.

HOTEL LINDRUM



HOTEL LINDRUM is a boutique style hotel that combines modern design with the ultimate in contemporary facilities and personalised service. Ideally located in cosmopolitan Melbourne, close to all fashion, dining, cultural and sporting precincts.

ACCESS

Distance to Melbourne's airport: 20kms | 30 minutes
Distance to Central Business District: 200m | 3 minutes walk
Distance to City Circle tram: 10m | Tram stop opposite hotel
Distance to Railway Station: 200m | 3 minutes walk

ROOMS

59 elegantly appointed guest rooms with 4 different room types, each varying in size and facilities.

Including:

- 26 standard queen rooms at 25m²
- 4 standard twin rooms at 25m²
- 13 superior rooms at 33m²
- 8 deluxe rooms at 29m²
- 8 junior suites at 42m²

Rich wood furnishings combined with classic polished floors and heavy woven carpets create a stylish interior. Rooms highlight a strong sense of mood and intimacy; an ambience enhanced by the classic rich interior and muted lighting.

GUESTROOM FACILITIES

- Spacious and contemporary guest rooms
- Complimentary high-speed WiFi internet access
- Work desk with chair
- Ensuite bathroom
- Satellite TV channels
- Flat screen television
- CD stereo and DVD player
- CD & DVD library
- Pillow menu
- In-room safe
- International direct dial telephone
- Air conditioning and heating
- Complimentary daily newspaper
- Gourmet minibar
- Iron and ironing board
- Tea and coffee making facilities

GENERAL FACILITIES

- Complimentary WiFi throughout the hotel
- 24-hour reception
- 24-hour in-room dining
- Concierge
- Daily housekeeping
- Restaurant
- Back bar with fireplace and billiard room
- Fully equipped boardroom
- Off-site car parking
- Wheelchair accessible rooms available
- Health club nearby
- Guest laundry and valet service
- Check-in from 2.00pm / Check-out by 11.00am

RESTAURANT

Felt restaurant is one of Melbourne's dining treasures, serving, seasonal fare in a charming, intimate environment. Named after the green 'Felt' lining on top of Hotel Lindrum's famous billiard table, Felt is open daily for breakfast and dinner. Intimately seating up to 40 guests, Felt restaurant is the perfect setting for your next function or occasion.

MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Hotel Lindrum Melbourne provides an intimate setting for corporate business meetings and private events. The Australian Room on the first floor provides an elegant boardroom style setting to strategise and meet, with private facilities for up to 10 people. Felt restaurant on the ground floor and the Back Bar provide a unique venue for social events, celebrations, corporate dinners or launches. Featuring a billiard table, lounges and open fire place, this lavish space can be utilised exclusively for events up to 70 guests.

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