## **BAR SPORTS**

## Bench & Bar v Solicitors Golf Match

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After the 2016 event and then looking forward to 2017 I asked the question: - 'Is a threepeat possible?' On 23 January 17 at Manly Golf Club that question was answered in the affirmative - by the narrowest of margins or on a technicality (depending on your point of view).

Of the nine games played (slightly down on last year) the Bench & Bar were victors in four and the solicitors four. The 9<sup>th</sup> game was tied. The final result was: 4½

to  $4\frac{1}{2}$ . But because the Bench & Bar had won the 2016 event and the solicitors failed to win the 2017 event, the mace of the late Sir Leslie Herron (suitably engraved to record the victory) will remain in the chambers of Justice Robert Hulme for another year. So I call that a win (of sorts).

Congratulations to all members of the Bench and Bar who participated. As usual a wonderful dinner at the clubhouse ensued. Can we retain the mace in a more emphatic manner in January 2018? Come along and be part of the fun (and drama). Meanwhile, happy golfing!