



# Gina dances to her own beat

Why are we not surprised that former Rio boss **Tom Albanese** was a no-show despite being advertised as one of the headliners at the Sydney Mining Club's gala dinner on Wednesday night to celebrate National Mining and Related Industries Day?

All the suckers got was a pre-recorded video, and very little mention of his time at Rio, let alone the charges that landed on his doorstep last month from the US securities regulator.

Just as well as the event's patron **Gina Rinehart** did not let all the kerfuffle over THAT cheque to **Barnaby Joyce** put her off.

Rinehart was spotted, tambourine in hand and up on stage, dancing to Abba tunes during the mining industry's night of nights.

Her billionaire mate **Anthony Pratt** was also spotted at the shindig, but our spies did not spot our AC/DC fan jiving to Abba.

Money, money, money anyone?

But a smart-looking **Julie Bishop** joined the billionaire in dance and song, thanks to Gina thoughtfully arranging for a National Mining and Related Industries Day-branded tambourine to be left on every seat.

Bishop's former colleague **Sophie Mirabella** was working the door on behalf of her new employer, Rinehart. Meanwhile Italy's favourite son, Senator **Matt**

**Canavan**, was flying the Nationals flag, making spaghetti jokes, and thinking of ways to dodge any Rinehart-sized cheques that may have been thrust in his direction.

