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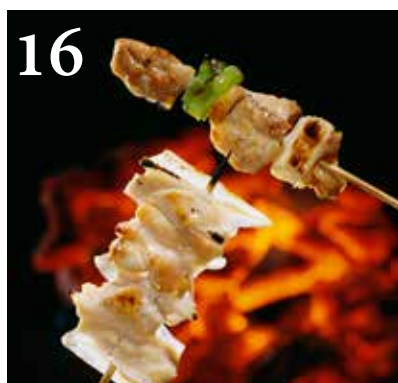


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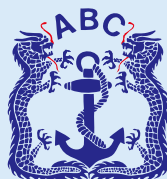
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## GENERAL MANAGER'S LETTER



Philippe de Manny  
General Manager

### WELCOME BACK!

#### NEW GADGET AT MIDDLE ISLAND

Over the summer, we installed a vending machine on Middle Island that works with Octopus Cards, to provide sailing courses, along with drinks, sun cream sailing gloves and many other products for members when the café is closed. Please do not try to shake it if a product gets stuck! - but call the club reception or ask any staff member on duty there to provide you with assistance.

The machine is near the entrance of the bar, and payment is by Octopus Card only.

As this system depends on a wi-fi connection for transaction processing, it might encounter some hiccups due to the remote area. Please call us on the spot for assistance. Later we will add a SIM card to the machine for backup purposes, and a better connection.



#### MOORING REFURBISHMENT UNDERWAY

Since the beginning of August, we have finally secured a reputable company and started to refurbish all our moorings in Po Chon Wan. It took nearly two years of intense searching to find a company with the right equipment and experience to do this work.

As the space to manoeuvre is so tight, and the mooring components so over engineered by the government when they replaced them in 2010, it now requires a big barge and specialised divers to inspect, lift, fix and replace moorings, while ensuring safety for both the contractor staff and members' boats.



The fact that the Causeway Bay bypass work is still ongoing, and has already lasted quite some time, did not help in finding a contractor either, as they are all on that side of the island.

The work will take about three months to be completed. There will be many boat movements during this period, for which every affected member will receive due notice. Please be kind, to help us as much as possible to keep the momentum going in this replacement process, by following the instructions from our Sailing and Marine Services Manager.

As for Middle Island, all moorings have been inspected, except 4 at the time of this missive, and they are all in good condition.

### MEMBERSHIP

#### Obituary

With great sadness, I am informing you of the very sudden passing of our former Vice Commodore, Mr. Mark O. Clift. The funeral and wakes took place in early August. Both were attended by hundreds of people from various walks of life, to whom he had given advice, attention and love over all these years in Hong Kong. In the following pages, we have a full article about who he was and what he has done for the Club, written by Jo Allum, ex- committee member and friend of Mark.

#### Legacy membership

I am sure you are all aware that, upon attaining the age of 21 years, Children of Associate or Ordinary Members are not allowed to use their parents' account anymore, but are eligible to join the Club in their own right as Associate Members, subject to their parent having been an Associate or Ordinary Member of the Club for more than 10 years. The Joining Fee is only \$15,000.

**A great example of this is the Brechin family, with the third generation membership joining us this month under this legacy program. So if you have children aged over 21, please contact Cobo, and she will give you all details.**

#### Membership data survey

Over the years, our membership data has suffered significantly from lack of up-dating, when a member changes job, house, phone or email without informing us. The time has come to launch an overall membership data update, which Cobo our Membership Service Manager will manage starting September.

You will very soon be requested to again fill up a form, to verify and amend the data we have on hand. Please do give us your details, not your secretary or HR; this is a membership survey and you are the members not your employees or companies.

Having an updated membership data base is a requirement from the government, and though updating could be perceived as pernickety and annoying, we have a duty to do it, so please be cooperative and understanding.

#### MOVING SALE

Over September and October, we will be changing the furniture on the patio and the sundeck.

Some members have already expressed a desire to take some of our old teak chairs and tables home. Should you wish to do so, please let me know so that I can make arrangements for you. Of course, this is on a first come, first served basis, and I cannot guarantee that you will have what you wish, but it is always advisable to tell me first, instead of being disappointed.

# ABC joins the WAGS for the annual Charity Day at KSC East

This now annual game will take place at Kau Sai Chau East Course on Friday 1 December 2017, with a shot gun start at 9:00am.

Prior to that tee-off, there will be a breakfast briefing, memorabilia distribution and silly putting games.

The format will be a modified 4-man team scramble, with many activities along the fairways like sausages stands, beer stand and challenge-the-pros on some holes.

This event is the biggest golfing event of the year in Hong Kong, with over 300 golfers having a wonderful day at Kau Sai Chau while raising money for charity.

The last 2 years, the WAGS have elected Christina Noble Children's Foundation – which takes care of needy orphans or abandoned kids in Vietnam; please have a look at their website at [www.cncf.org/our-foundation.html](http://www.cncf.org/our-foundation.html).

They are always looking for sponsors who would like to help support this amazing charity, and the WAGS is helping them a lot, particularly through this charity golf day at KSC.

I believe the price per head will be as last year - HK\$ 1800 including breakfast, memorabilia, game and prize-giving dinner. There will be a free ABC bus, leaving from the ABC car park at 7:30am and returning at about 5:00 or 6:00pm from



2016 WAGS Charity Day ABC Team

KSC. Should you join the day, I truly recommend to take it, as the day will be exhausting for your legs and your liver!

If you can make it, and before the 8 spots are taken, please contact me so that I can register you on the spot, as the WAGS organisation needs to urgently finalise their booking with KSC and fine-tune the enormous organisation of a terrific day.



## ABC Junk for Hire

Available for Parties, Day Trips and Water Sports

Pick-up at ABC, Central pier, Causeway Bay or TST public pier. The ABC can provide food and beverages including a range of hot and cold dishes, desserts and drinks. ABC chef and waiters are available. Email [fnb@abclubhk.com](mailto:fnb@abclubhk.com)

Rental of speedboats, banana boats and water ski may be arranged via Freely Marine Services at 9276 2932.

Night-time: 6 pm – 11 pm  
 Daytime: 9am – 5pm  
 Monday – Friday: \$4,600  
 Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays: \$5,300  
 Maximum passengers: 42

For details, please contact ABC membership services manager Cobo Liu at 2553 3032 or [mbs@abclubhk.com](mailto:mbs@abclubhk.com)



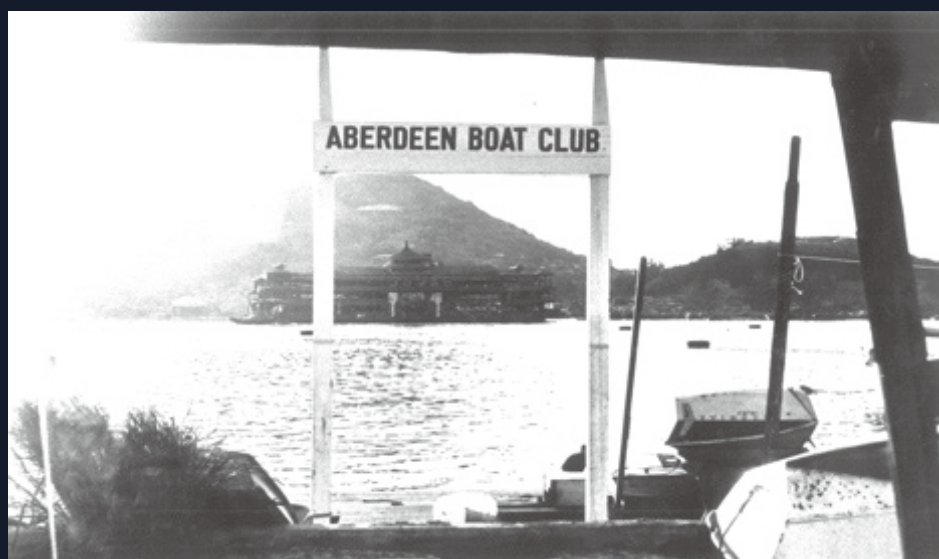
# Second 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Golf Event at Deep Water Bay - 20 October

This will be our second 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary golf event, with the first perennial commodore's trophy to be won. The format will be an individual Stableford on true handicap, and with only 5 clubs allowed in your bag. That's to say that you must select your clubs for the par three course at Deep Water Bay, and only bring those.

The first tee-off will be at 9:30am. We need a minimum 15 people, and cannot have more than 27 in all. This is a 3-balls flight; we will charge players HK\$700, including prizes for those eligible (guests will be ineligible).

Food and Beverages will be on your own consumption basis, by purchasing an add-value card at the reception. A set lunch is HK\$225 per head, or the a la carte menu offers much more satisfying and cheaper options. Also, be aware of the dress code - they are particularly fussy about it.

For enrolment or enquiries, please email [gmpa@abclubhk.com](mailto:gmpa@abclubhk.com) or Philippe directly.



# Celebration Time!

## 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Festivity, 18 November

Cocktails with live band and speeches  
Gala dinner featuring favourite dishes from the 60s to the present  
plus House DJ, museum, more speeches

Free-flow drinks including rum cocktails and Carlsberg beers

Quizzes and games

Dancing and toasting into the wee hours

*The ticket price for the Dinner & Cocktails will be \$500 per person; note that this is for a full event ticket, from 4pm until closure, with everything included.*

*Due to licence restrictions, the Club will only issue 250 tickets, and they will be on sale from the reception desk on 1 October, starting at noon sharp, not before.*

*Primarily, those tickets are reserved for members and spouses.  
Should we have any available at the end of the month,  
they will be open to Members' guests on 1 November.*

*In addition to the gala dinner, should you miss out on the full day tickets,  
a Cocktails-only ticket will be priced at \$200 per person. We will only issue 100 of these,  
for the afternoon function at the patio and sundeck from 4pm to 8pm.*



## Mark Owen Clift

*Former Vice Commodore*

*12 Feb 1964 – 16 July 2017*

Many of you will have become aware of the untimely passing of ABC Member and former Vice Commodore, Mark Clift. I had the honour of attending a service of thanksgiving for Mark, held at St John's Cathedral on 31 July. As well as allowing us to pay our deepest respects to his wife, Sue, and son Adam, and members of their extended family, it is a testament to his service to the ABC, Cyberport, and the greater community that the venue was full to capacity.

Mark joined as a Weekday member in September 2009, upgrading to Associate in October 2010, and Ordinary (although he was anything but) in November 2014. He served on the General Committee from 2010, until an unfortunate accident somewhat incapacitated him in July 2016. Within that timeframe, his service to the ABC was wide-ranging, yet expert in all areas. Mark's extensive estate experience was invaluable during his time on the Development Committee from 2012 to 2014, helping to craft and guide the Middle Island plans. On the General Committee, Mark's voice was often heard, ensuring that the best governance practices were implemented

I had the pleasure of serving with Mark on the House Committee, where we agreed on almost all things wine-related, though I shall never forgive him for ruining my favourite starter by lobbying for the calorie counts to be put on the menu!

Mark's final position in the Club was serving as Vice Commodore from 2014, and he had recently been co-opted back onto the House Committee, on behalf of which he was still sending organisational emails the night before he passed.

Mark's enthusiasm, expertise, generosity and sharp wit will be greatly missed by me personally, and I am sure by everyone at the Club.

If you would like to do something in Mark's memory, please consider donating to the Hong Kong St. John Ambulance, located at St. John Tower, 2 MacDonnell Road, Mid-Level, Hong Kong.

Jo Allum





## Sailing is not meant to be a Contact Sport! 帆船運動不是接觸式運動！

**S**ounds obvious, doesn't it? After all, sailing isn't rugby. And it involves expensive bits of equipment that cost serious money to repair.

But maybe there is some common ground with a contact sport like rugby. Rugby injuries also cost to get repaired and, worse still, can sometimes be life changing. So rugby has evolved rules about late tackling, high tackling, etc. And sailing has its Rule 14, which essentially says you must avoid contact if there is a reasonable possibility of doing so:

*"A boat shall avoid contact with another boat if reasonably possible" RRS 14*

It's this "reasonable" chance that sailors need to be aware of. You may be completely in the right at a mark rounding or elsewhere on the course, but this does not mean you don't still have a responsibility to avoid a collision if you can. You still need to be watchful and anticipate what might happen, and take avoiding action if necessary. Failure to do so may result your own disqualification under a protest, in addition to the boat that caused the incident in the first place.

No different from pulling out of a late tackle....

This article has been written by the Racing Rules and Appeals Committee. For more information on the Appeals procedure in Hong Kong and on past Appeals, go to [www.sailing.org.hk](http://www.sailing.org.hk).

這個道理很明顯，不是嗎？畢竟帆船運動不是欖球，器材昂貴，而且修理費用並不便宜。

但是，帆船運動與欖球一類接觸式運動是有一些共通之處，欖球運動員受傷後醫藥費用高昂，更嚴重的是，受傷有時可能會改變運動員一生。所以，欖球發展了有關攔截的規則，相對上帆船運動亦有規則第 14 條，它基本上說，如果在合理可能的情况下，你必須避免接觸。

**“如果在合理可能的情况下，一艘船應避免與另一艘船接觸” 帆船競賽規則 第 14 條**

帆船運動員需要留意“合理”這個詞。你可能在繞泡過程中或比賽航線上處於有航行權的位置，但這並不意味着您沒有責任在可能的情况下避免碰撞。你仍然需要留意及預測可能發生的情况，並在必要時採取避讓行為。否則你除了成為首先引起事件的船隻外，你亦可能遭到抗議而導致被取消競賽資格。

這跟放棄一次來得太遲的攔截沒有什麼不同...

本文由競賽規則及上訴委員會撰寫。有關香港帆船運動的上訴程序及以往上訴的更多資料，請瀏覽 [www.sailing.org.hk](http://www.sailing.org.hk)

# 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Golf Day

*By Philippe de Manny*

On Friday 23 June 2017, 16 keen golfers of the Aberdeen Boat Club Golf Society battled under scorching heat and sudden downpours, contending with very wet fairways and slow greens to celebrate the 50th anniversary of their Club. Not the best game conditions for our style of golf, but if a golfer goes out no matter the conditions, he will enjoy and fight on the day – similar to our sailors, then!

The booking for this event went from 28 golfers once advertised, down to 20 the day we had to confirm with Kau Sai Chau golf club the exact names and numbers. Sadly, two days later we went back up to 24 golfers, then finally to 17 on the day. That means one of us could not play and went to sulk the whole day at the clubhouse, waiting for the lucky 16. That sulking one was me.

When work gets in the way of golf, there is obviously something wrong in our society!

After a light breakfast at the ABC, golfers who were sensible enough to take the organised bus to and from Sai Kung set off to Kau Sai Chau at 6:45am, to reach the clubhouse just on time for teeing off at 9:00am. For a spectator, golf is a bit like sailing: once they are off, you do not see much what is going on – only self- discipline, respect for rules, respect for partners and trust count.

Therefore, let's move straight on to the prize giving, orchestrated by our devoted Commodore, Chris Pooley. On the lighter side of the results, three prizes were given: the biggest mess of the day and the keen golfer practice kit, which were both awarded to John



Fung for first losing 22 balls and secondly for score 8 on Stableford and 124 shots – good work, needs more practice, but definitely had a good walking day. The third light prize was awarded to Lei Markutza for highest guest score, with 111 shot.

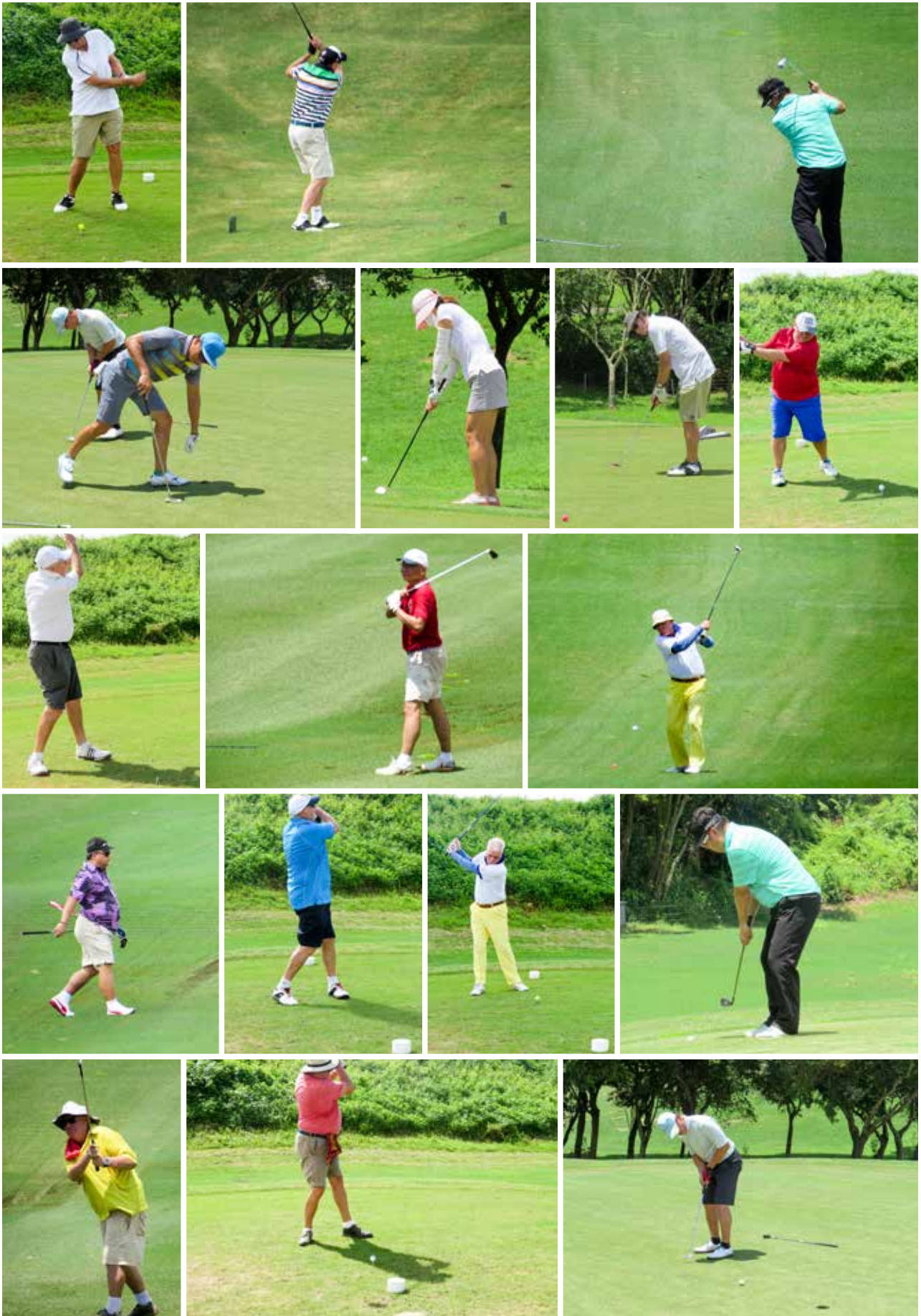
Now come the top guns of the competition; and for once we shall start with the men, and reading between the line you will understand this rudeness. Closest to the pin on the 5th and 11th holes went, respectively, to John Berry and Robert Barber; and the great winner of the male competition was Brendan Ho, who has not missed one ABC gold society game since its creation in 2011. A well deserved and meaningful win.

And now to the Ladies Competition and the overall result, I must say that the day was ruled by one competitor: Joyce Yu whose elegance, skills and consistency proved too much for the others. Joyce went home with prizes for closest to the pin on holes 2 and 16, won the Longest drive prizes on the 15th by far (Men were put to shame with 280 yards tee-off) and won the ladies trophy with a Stableford score of 36. Well done Joyce – we are waiting for your offer to coach the team !





## 50<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY GOLF DAY



# Wanted: Future Race Team Members

## Members' Children Invited to Train and Have Fun

**W**e are currently inviting members' children to join the Aberdeen Boat Club Training Squad. This is an excellent opportunity for them to come down to Middle Island and sail throughout the year, rather than just during school holidays.

The Training Squad aims to improve on the skills developed during the sailing courses, with the main goal of learning to race. Students have focused coaching, to help them improve quickly. As they develop the skills they need to race, they will be given the opportunity to join the Optimist Racing Team, and represent the club at local and international regattas. Training is in Optimist, RS Feva and Laser 2000 dinghies depending on age.

The training sessions have a good mix of theory, racing practice and drills, to help improve sailing skills, along with games and activities in addition to sailing - we often go kayaking, paddle boarding and swimming, and have other challenges and even trips to Round Island to keep things fun; so its not all about training! It's a fantastic environment for kids to develop friendships, social skills, learn to have some independence and responsibility, enjoy being part of a great team, as well as get much better at sailing. If you've seen us around at Middle Island, you'll already

have seen why our members love taking part.

The Training Squad sails Wednesday to Saturday during the summer holidays, and on Wednesday afternoons (after school) and every Saturday and Sunday during school term times. Team members can come to as many or as few sessions as they like (none are obligatory), though the more they sail, the more they will benefit from being part of the team!

The fee for being part of the team is \$1,250 per month, though if your child would like to see what the training sessions are like before committing to pay, they would be welcome to come try a couple of sessions for free. There will also be a team trial session (also free of charge) on the 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> August, 2<sup>nd</sup> September, which they are welcome to join.

To join the team, please fill out the following form on the ABC website: [http://www.abclubhk.com/events/DinghySailingTeam\\_Reg2017.aspx](http://www.abclubhk.com/events/DinghySailingTeam_Reg2017.aspx)

If you have any questions about joining the team, or would like to come down to try out for a couple of sessions free, please contact our racing coach, Rory Godman ([DinghyCoach@abclubhk.com](mailto:DinghyCoach@abclubhk.com)).

*We hope to see you at  
Middle Island soon!*

You are kindly invited to join the

### **ABERDEEN RACING ACADEMY** **Training Squad**



- 🚣 Structured training program: Wednesday-Saturday (holidays) / Wed after-school, Saturday, & Sunday (term time)
- 🚣 Focused coaching for steady improvement of sailing and racing skills
- 🚣 Relaxed and fun environment, frequent games and team building activities
- 🚣 Come down and try out for free!

Sign up [here](#) or contact Rory Godman ([DinghyCoach@abclubhk.com](mailto:DinghyCoach@abclubhk.com)) for more information

# 29er Worlds Long Beach CA USA

By Michelle Clark

The 29er Worlds began with the Opening Ceremony on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> July. Each country, bearing their national flag, was greeted on the main lawn of Alamitos Bay Yacht club.



Once the opening ceremony was concluded, an early night was had by all, in preparation for the following six days of racing. Launching was to begin at 10:30am each morning, with the first starting signal at 12:00pm.

The schedule for the event consisted of three days qualifying, then based upon those results the teams were split into gold, silver and bronze fleets for the remaining three days of the championships.

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## Qualifying series

The qualifying series took place over the first three days of the regatta. The teams were split into two groups - blue and yellow fleets, each consisting of sixty boats. Two race areas had been set: area A (south of an oil rig) and area B (north of the oil rig). There were to be ten races over the course of the three days, before fleets were split into gold, silver and bronze.

The first day's racing saw winds of around -10 knots, and

by the third race it had reached 13-16 knots. Yann/Akira had a great start to the event, finishing with an 8<sup>th</sup> and two 10<sup>th</sup> positions, although they were slightly disappointed as damage to their boat caused by another competitor during the 2<sup>nd</sup> race certainly hindered what could have been a better third race for them. Calum/Russell struggled at the beginning of the day, but produced a much better result in the last race as the wind increased, finishing in 13<sup>th</sup> position.

Four races were scheduled to take place on day two, however due to little wind before launching, the race committee decided only three races would take place. Course B seemed to have a little more wind than course A, which favoured three of our teams, as Lewis/Dylan were our only team on Course A. The first race was postponed by an hour, but once underway it transpired to be an excellent race for our youngest teams - Malo/Anatole in the blue fleet finished 9<sup>th</sup>, while Lewis/Dylan in the yellow fleet finished 5<sup>th</sup>. A great result for both teams at the start of Day 2!

The wind built up for the second race, averaging 9-10 knots. Malo/Anatole improved on their first race position,



Photo Credit: Matias Capizzano / TSGphoto.com

finishing 6<sup>th</sup>. Race 3 saw Yann/Akira get the first and only bullet of the series for the Academy – a brilliant way to finish the day's sailing! Unfortunately for Lewis/Dylan, the yellow fleet waited an hour for their third race to start, but it was eventually abandoned due to the lack of wind. This was frustrating for the boys as they would now be required to complete their third race early the following morning, before day 3's racing could begin. Day three saw Lewis/Dylan launch early in order to complete the final race from day 2; unfortunately they finished a slightly disappointing 37<sup>th</sup>, after their top 10 finish the previous day.

Once day two's racing was complete, the fleets were once again mixed up. Yann/Akira and Calum/Russell were placed in the yellow fleet (course area A) with Malo/Anatole, and Lewis/Dylan in the blue fleet (course area B). The wind built up over the course of the day, to a maximum of 10 knots. Blue fleet continued to produce some great results, the best being from Yann/Akira in race 9, finishing in 4<sup>th</sup> place. Calum/Russell also seemed to pick up some momentum, finishing 12<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> in races 8 and 9, respectively. Malo/Anatole also had a great race 8, finishing 12<sup>th</sup>.

By the end of Day 3, the final results showed that Yann/Akira, Calum/Russell and Malo/Anatole had all qualified for gold fleet, with Lewis/Dylan qualifying for silver fleet. A pleasing result for all of our sailors, who had met the expectations of their coaches.

With our teams split into their respective gold and silver fleets, day four racing began. The gold fleet sailed in area B (north of the oil rig) and silver fleet competed in area A (south of the oil rig). The first three days had produced much lighter winds than the coaches had expected, however on day four they were much stronger, with a bigger swell, making the conditions more challenging than the teams had experienced so far. Yann/Akira's best result of the day was their first race, which they finished in 12<sup>th</sup> place; Calum/Russell improved as their day went on, finishing 10<sup>th</sup> in their final race. Lewis/Dylan had a good start to silver fleet, finishing 25<sup>th</sup> in the first, but as the wind increased over the day they once again struggled.

Day five saw four races completed by each fleet. The wind was much stronger than previous days, with speeds averaging 11–22 knots.



Photo Credit: TSGphoto.com

Silver and bronze fleet competed on course C, a new sailing area for the fleets, located in front of Kitesurfing beach on Belmont Shore. This provided more shelter for the less experienced sailors. Gold fleet sailed further out, behind course area A. The day produced a mixed set of results from our gold fleet teams, the best being a 4th from Calum and Russell. Silver fleet managed 4 clean starts; Lewis/Dylan had consistent results, their best being a 22<sup>nd</sup>.

The sailors were met by a beautiful day for the final day of racing, with brilliant blue skies and the breeze ranging from anything between 7 and 15 knots. The order of the day was for each fleet to complete 3 races. Gold fleet were in the same area as Day 5, while silver and bronze fleets were sailing in race area E, located just in front of Seal Beach – a great spot for spectators to watch the final day's racing unfold. Yann/Akira in the gold fleet started off the first race with an excellent 2<sup>nd</sup> place, Calum and Russell had a great last race, finishing 5<sup>th</sup>, and the highlight of the day for Malo/Anatole was 5<sup>th</sup>.

The silver fleet had an eventful final day on the water. With two races completed and after 3 general recalls the last race of their 29er Worlds eventually started. Sadly, one of the crews from the Irish team ran into serious trouble, requiring life-saving treatment. The race and sailing for the day was then abandoned.

Thanks to the quick actions of fellow competitors and coaches the young man survived and has now made a full recovery. This was an important reminder for our teams that safety is imperative on the water, and put sailing well into perspective.

Our teams had an incredible event. We were lucky enough to travel to the USA to sail at Alamitos Bay Yacht Club, which hosted a wonderful and well run championship. Our teams wish to thank the coaches for all their input and help; big thanks also to ABC for making this possible.

#### Our final overall results were:

Yann/Akira 22<sup>nd</sup>

Calum and Russel 26<sup>th</sup>

Malo/Anatole 41<sup>st</sup>

Lewis/Dylan 85<sup>th</sup> (Silver fleet - 37<sup>th</sup>)

We would like to also take this opportunity to congratulate the South African team - Benji Daniel and Alex Burger, winners of the 29er World Championships, who became great friends of all the team. We look forward to seeing them in Hong Kong at the end of the year. Well done!

SEPTEMBER

## Contemporary Chinese Cuisine at The Galley & The Patio

### Beer & Wine Promotion

#### Wine of the Month:

Bellingham Homestead Chardonnay,

2016 – South Africa (White)

\$205 per bottle

\$42 by the glass

Bellingham Homestead Shiraz,

2015 – South Africa (Red)

\$205 per bottle

\$42 by the glass

#### Beer of the Month:

Vale Ale, Australian Pale Ale, Australia.

\$33 per bottle

### Cocktails

#### Cider Sangria \$70 (*Alcoholic*)

- Dry white wine
- Apple Cider
- Apple Brandy
- Lemonade, Garnished with sliced Apple & Fresh mints

#### Ginger Peach Soda \$45 (*Non-Alcoholic*)

- Ripe peach & Ginger
- Ginger syrup
- Soda water, Garnished with Fresh mints



# Bombay Street Food Gala

The Galley & The Patio  
Saturday, 9 September, 7pm

Night filled with savories from medieval Bombay's Irani cafés featuring varieties of famous street foods like pani puris, bhajis, tikkis, dosas and more followed with famous ABC curries, tandoori, naans. These mouth-watering dishes can be washed down with house made chilled Mango Lassi, Banana Lassi or delectable indian desserts!

**Adult: \$279 only (Add \$38 for free-flow Lassi)**  
**Concessionary price for member over 65 of age: \$229**  
**Children (3–12 years old): \$179 only**





# Tokyo Izakaya Night

The Galley & The Patio,  
Saturday, 30 September, 7pm

Come taste the various Izakaya dishes featuring premium yakitori of beef, lamb, pork and seafood. There will be a live Ramen station and you may finish the meal with our talented pastry chef's heavenly desserts.

Adult : \$278 only

Concessionary price for member over 65 of age \$218 only

Children \$178 only



# Braai Wine Dinner

The Galley & The Patio, Friday, 15 September, 7pm

“Braai” is the South African version of a barbecue or grill, combined with a red wine lover's paradise. We are pleased to present a premium four-course barbecue style wine dinner at The Galley & The Patio, featuring a range of handcrafted wines from the Bellingham Collection presented by Kenneth Lee.



This alfresco wine dinner will start with savory canapes together with popular rose, pinotage & old vine chenin blancs. The highlight of the night will be the Bernard Series specials- Basket Press Syrah and Bush Vine Pinotage! The host for the evening will be Mr. Nick Sonderup, Regional Director from DGB Group.

The story of Bellingham is a tale of courage, determination and unwavering dedication to the land and vines. It is an odyssey richly coloured by the labours of passionate vintners, both past and present.

Originally known as Bellinchamp (which translates to “pretty fields”), Bellingham traces its roots to 1693, when Hollander Gerrit Janz van Vuuren and his French Huguenot wife planted the first 1000 vines on the estate. It then passed from family to family until 1943, when Bernard and Fredagh Podlashuk purchased the somewhat derelict farm, set about restoring the manor house, gardens and vineyards and effectively pioneered the modern renaissance of the Bellingham Estate in Franschhoek.

**Adult: \$399 only**

*(Limited seating, please book early to avoid disappointment)*





# Mid-Autumn Moon Festival Buffet


The Galley & The Patio  
Thursday, 5 October, 7pm

The Festival of lanterns and moon cakes will be celebrated with variety of Chinese traditional and contemporary dishes. Our popular Chinese chefs will surprise you with their creativity and this is definitely not to be missed event!

Adult : \$268 only

Concessionary price for member over 65 of age \$208 only

Children \$168 only



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# Home Wine Delivery September 2017

Free Wine Tasting (Saturday, 30 September) 18:30 – 20:30



SPARKLING	\$/Bottle	Qty	Amount
<b>Hunter's Miru Miru Reserve 2012 (New Zealand)</b> This wine is rich complexity and balance. The palate exhibits complex yeast characters with notes of biscuit and cashew nut flavours on a full persistent palate. <i>4.5 Stars ~ WineNZ Magazine, Dec 2016</i>	HK\$150		
WHITE WINE			
<b>Tohu Single Vineyard Sauvignon Blanc 2016 (New Zealand)</b> Aroma of passionfruit, citrus, and currant-leaf. The concentrated palate is layered with sweet tropical fruit, herbal notes and a touch of zesty minerality, leading to a pure and focused dry finish. <i>96 Points ~ Decanter Magazine, Aug 2017 90 Points ~ Wine Advocate – Robert Parker, May 2017</i>	HK\$132		
<b>Bellingham Old Vine Chenin Blanc 2015 (South Africa)</b> Aromas of peach, passion fruit, honey melon, papaya and pineapple fruit. Powerful yet accommodating on the palate with discernible, yet seamless and subtle spicy oak complexity. The riveting finish is fresh and intense with tremendous length.	HK\$150		
RED WINE			
<b>Geoff Merrill G&amp;W Cabernet Sauvignon 2011 (Australia)</b> This wine has the flavour of peppermint, violets, chocolate, leather, black olive and menthol with oak influenced toasty vanilla. The wine is medium bodied with a generous mouth feel and a long finish.	HK\$114		
<b>Two Paddocks Central Otago Pinot Noir 2015 (New Zealand)</b> Lifted red fruit, violet and spicy blackcurrant aromatics. Followed by a suave, textural palate showing lots of density, complexity and persistence.	HK\$168		
<b>Meerlust Estate Rubicon Bordeaux Blend 2013 (South Africa)</b> The palate is full-bodied, structured by beautifully sleek, ripe tannins which restrain the vibrant dark fruit typical of this vintage. The wine lingers on the palate with creamy fruit mouth filling tannins. <i>92 Points ~ Jamessuckling.com, Aug 2017 4.5 Stars ~ Platter's South African Wines Guide 2017</i>	HK\$222		
<b>Bellingham Basket Press Syrah 2014 (South Africa)</b> A powerful aromatic and generously structured wine with astute ripe tannin texture that promises further integration and complexity on cellar maturation for up to 10 years. <i>91 Points ~ Jamessuckling.com, Aug 2017 90 Points ~ Tim Atkin</i>	HK\$252		
DESSERT WINE			
<b>Klein Constantia Vin de Constance 2013 (South Africa)</b> Muscat de Frontignan. Aroma of citrus marmalade and frangi pani abundant. The palate is full bodied and complex. A good sugar to fruit ratio combined with a great acidity ensures the wine is in balance with a long, spicy and grippy finish. <i>95 Points ~ Jamessuckling.com, Aug 2017 96 Points ~ Wine Advocate, Neal Martin 2017</i>	HK\$546		
Total:			

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Tel No: (Office) \_\_\_\_\_ (Home) \_\_\_\_\_

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 Contact the Food & Beverage Department at 2555 6216 or Fax: 2873 2945.  
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ABC Belt  
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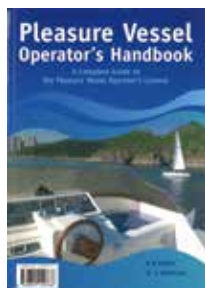
ABC Sailing Gloves  
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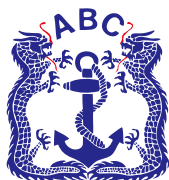


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## Pleasure Vessel Grade II Operator Certificate Courses (Part A master, Part B engineer)



### Part A (Master)

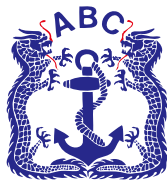
Dates : 1, 2, 3 November  
Times : 7:00pm to 10:15pm  
Syllabus : Rules, lights, shapes, buoyage and signals, seamanship, local knowledge and the laws of Hong Kong fire and gas precautions.  
Cost : \$1,700 for member/person/course. \$2,000 for non-member/person/course.

### Part B (Engineer)

Dates : 6, 9, 10 November  
Times : 7:00pm to 10:15pm  
Syllabus : Engine general construction, diesel and petrol fuel, fuel systems, electrical systems, ignition systems, lubrication, cooling and pumps, transmission systems, operation and maintenance and fire and gas precautions.  
Cost : \$1,700 for member/person/course. \$2,000 for non-member/person/course.

### Notes:

- Students who attend these two courses will be required to sit their examinations at the Hong Kong Marine Department after course completion. Successful candidates will be entitled to operate a vessel in Hong Kong waters up to 15 metres in length with engines of any power.
- Courses are entirely theoretical for the relative exam. Practical boating is not required for the examination.
- Examinations are normally held on selected Thursdays, you may register your exams. to the Marine Dept. by post or in person. Document required for the examination application:- a ready examination application form, one photo, a copy of your identity document, Eye-sight exam. Report from a registered doctor, examination fee HK\$1,255, cheque payable to "The "Government of the HKSAR" (Candidate must take both Part A (master) & Part B (engineer) exam together in the first attempt). There will be a minimum of 5 students and a maximum of 20 students/course. If there is insufficient support for a course, that course will be cancelled and those already enrolled will be informed accordingly. Members who responded to the initial inquiry and whose names are held on file will be given priority.
- Course Instructor: Alan Chau.
- Please forward the completed application form(s) to Ms Cobo Liu by fax on 2873 2945 or by post or hand to the Club's Administrative Office.
- See the Marine Dept. website for exam application information and dates:  
[http://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/pub\\_services/npvo2.html](http://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/pub_services/npvo2.html)  
(Please book your exams earlier; the suggested date is 6 – 8 weeks after attending the first part of the course.)  
Exam application form : <http://www.mardep.gov.hk/en/forms/pdf/mo84p.pdf>  
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Marine Dept. : Seafarers' Certification Section,  
3/F, Harbour Building, 38 Pier Road, Central, Hong Kong.  
Telephone : 2852 4941  
Fax : 2541 6754



## Pleasure Vessel Grade II Operator Certificate Courses

### Application form

#### Part A (Master)

Surname: Mr/Mrs/Ms \_\_\_\_\_ Forename(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Account number: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: (Mobile) \_\_\_\_\_ (Office): \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please enroll me on the course for Part A (Masters) to be held at 7:00pm – 10:15pm  
( ) 1, 2, 3 November 2017      Wednesday, Thursday & Friday

Please debit my account by \$1,700.

Non-members, please include a cheque with \$2,000, payable to Aberdeen Boat Club Ltd.  
Mailing address: 20 Shum Wan Road, Aberdeen, Hong Kong.

Signature

Date

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#### Part B (Engineer)

Surname: Mr/Mrs/Ms \_\_\_\_\_ Forename(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Account number: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: (Mobile) \_\_\_\_\_ (Office): \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please enroll me on the course for Part B (Engineer) to be held at 7:00pm to 10:15pm.  
( ) 6, 9, 10 November 2017      Monday, Thursday & Friday

Please debit my account by \$1,700.

Non-members, please include a cheque with \$2,000, payable to Aberdeen Boat Club Ltd.  
Mailing address: 20 Shum Wan Road, Aberdeen, Hong Kong.

Signature

Date

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# 2017 ABC October Youth Sailing Programme

For most schools, the October holidays are only one week long, so places are very limited. The ABC recommends you apply at least 3 weeks before the course start date to ensure a place. Note that spaces can only be reserved on receipt of a completed application form (on the website) and deposit payment; we cannot reserve course slots by email or telephone. Early bookings qualify for a discount.

Further details are available at [www.abclubhk.com](http://www.abclubhk.com) and from Angela at [SailingSecretary@abclubhk.com](mailto:SailingSecretary@abclubhk.com).

## 2 – 6 October 2017 (Application Deadline: 22 September 2017)

Date & Time	Junior Course	Activity	Eligibility	Discounted cost if booked before 1 Sep	HK\$ (Member/Non-member)
Mon 2 – Fri 6 Oct AM	✓	Optimist Stage 1	Age 7 – 11 ; can swim with water confidence	972 / 1791	1,080 / 1,990
Mon 2 – Fri 6 Oct AM	✓	Optimist Stage 4	Age 7 – 11 ; Pass Optimist Stage 3	972 / 1791	1,080 / 1,990
Mon 2 – Fri 6 Oct PM	✓	Optimist Stage 2	Age 7 – 11 ; Pass Optimist Stage 1	972 / 1791	1,080 / 1,990
Mon 2 – Fri 6 Oct PM	✓	Optimist Stage 3	Age 7 – 11 ; Pass Optimist Stage 2	972 / 1791	1,080 / 1,990
Mon 2 – Fri 6 Oct		HKSF Level 1 & 2 Beginner Course	Age 11 – 18 ; can swim with water confidence	2,385 / 3,582	2,650 / 3,980
Mon 2 – Fri 6 Oct		HKSF Level 3 Improver Course	Age 11 – 18 ; Pass HKSF Level 2 with 1 year sailing experience since	2,385 / 3,582	2,650 / 3,980
Mon 2 – Wed 4 Oct		RS Feva Introduction Course	Age 11 – 18 ; passed HKSF L2	1,431 / 2,150	1,590 / 2,388
Thur 5 – Fri 6 Oct		RS Feva Gennaker Introduction	Age 11 – 18 ; Pass RS Feva Intro	954 / 1,433	1,060 / 1,592
Mon 2 – Wed 4 Oct		3 Days Supervised Practice	Age 11 – 18 ; passed HKSF L2	1,431 / 2,150	1,590 / 2,388

## 23 – 27 October 2017 (Application Deadline: 13 October 2017)

Date & Time	Junior Course	Activity	Eligibility	Discounted cost if booked before 22 Sep	HK\$ (Member/Non-member)
Mon 23 – Fri 27 Oct AM	✓	Optimist Stage 1	Age 7 – 11 ; can swim with water confidence	972 / 1791	1,080 / 1,990
Mon 23 – Fri 27 Oct AM	✓	Optimist Stage 4	Age 7 – 11 ; Pass Optimist Stage 3	972 / 1791	1,080 / 1,990
Mon 23 – Fri 27 Oct PM	✓	Optimist Stage 2	Age 7 – 11 ; Pass Optimist Stage 1	972 / 1791	1,080 / 1,990
Mon 23 – Fri 27 Oct PM	✓	Optimist Stage 3	Age 7 – 11 ; Pass Optimist Stage 2	972 / 1791	1,080 / 1,990
Mon 23 – Fri 27 Oct		HKSF Level 1 & 2 Beginner Course	Age 11 – 18 ; can swim with water confidence	2,385 / 3,582	2,650 / 3,980
Mon 23 – Fri 27 Oct		HKSF Level 3 Improver Course	Age 11 – 18 ; Pass HKSF Level 2 with 1 year sailing experience since	2,385 / 3,582	2,650 / 3,980
Mon 23 – Wed 25 Oct		RS Feva Introduction Course	Age 11 – 18 ; passed HKSF L2	1,431 / 2,150	1,590 / 2,388
Thur 26 – Fri 27 Oct		RS Feva Gennaker Introduction	Age 11 – 18 ; Pass RS Feva Intro	954 / 1,433	1,060 / 1,592
Mon 23 – Wed 25 Oct		3 Days Supervised Practice	Age 11 – 18 ; passed HKSF L2	1,431 / 2,150	1,590 / 2,388

Please note course timings:

AM course: 9 am-12:30 pm (meet at 8:45 at main Clubhouse)

PM course: 1:30 pm-5 pm (1 pm ferry from main Clubhouse)

Whole-day course: 9 am-4:30 pm (meet at 8:45 at main Clubhouse)



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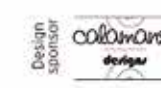


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