NOMINATIONS FOR ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE GENERAL COMMITTEE 2026

In accordance with Articles 29 & 30 of the Club's Articles of Association **SEVEN (7)** members of the General Committee who were elected in 2024 and are still serving and due to retire.

A. COMMITTEE MEMBERS DUE FOR ELECTION

1. **Mr. Andrew Burgin** offers himself for re-election
2. **Mr. Christopher Tung** offers himself for re-election
3. **Mr. David Hilling** offers himself for re-election
4. **Mr. George Doyle** offers himself for re-election
5. **Mr. James Barker** offers himself for re-election
6. **Mr. James Smith** offers himself for re-election
7. **Mr. Martin Ganz** offers himself for re-election

B. THE ABERDEEN BOAT CLUB GENERAL COMMITTEE IS COMPOSED OF EIGHTEEN (18) ELECTED MEMBERS.

1) For the year 2026, **SEVEN (7)** are due for re-election.

2) This has created **SEVEN (7)** vacancies in total for the General Committee.

3) We have received in due time **SEVEN (7)** re-election applications.

C. THE SEVEN CANDIDATES FOR RE-ELECTION AS GENERAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS ARE :

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D. <u>THE FULL LIST OF SEVEN CANDIDATES IS GIVEN BELOW, ALONG WITH THE NAMES OF THEIR PROPOSERS AND SECONDERS, AND THEIR BIOGRAPHIES</u> : (IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER)

1. **Andrew Burgin**
   Club member since 2023
   Proposed by Stephen Perret; Seconded by Jennifer Ganz

   Biography

   I joined the Sailing & Marine Committee as a coopted member in mid-2023 and joined the General Committee in early 2024. I am an accountant, so I have, along with Stein Olsen, supported the Treasurer with the newly formed Financial Advisory Group which focuses on matters related to the club's finances.

   When I joined the club, my interest was dinghy sailing, and I have the HKSF level 3 certificate. I now consider myself a keel boat sailor and sail the Beneteau First 31.7 "White Crane" along with my co-owner Nick Bodnar-Horvath. This year I completed my RYA Day Skipper theory course although I still need to do the practical part to obtain the certification. I very much see myself in the cruising community and look forward to joining and promoting cruising activities at the club.

2. **Christopher Tung**
   Club member since 2015
   Proposed by Stephen Perret; Seconded by Jennifer Ganz

   Biography

   Chris was born in Hong Kong and has been a keen boater since early childhood. He skippers his own powerboat and heads out around our southern and western waters in winter and Sai Kung and offshore in the summer. He is passionate about water activities and has competed in dragon boat races and has been a certified diver since the early 90s. He is a dispute resolution lawyer and specialises in international arbitration, construction, engineering, environmental and sustainability matters. Chris is currently Honorary Secretary of the Club and in that role he attends to legal affairs and legal compliance matters of the Club. He is an active member of the General Committee, House Committee and Sailing & Marine Committees.

3. **David Hilling**
   Club member since 2007
   Proposed by Stephen Perret; Seconded by Jennifer Ganz

   Biography

   Dave Hilling has been a member of Aberdeen Boat Club since 2007 when he joined through the young sailing member scheme, although he has been coming to the club with his family since the 1980's. He is a keen sailor and has partaken in every Waglan season and summer series season once his membership came through, primarily on Redeye as one of the original crew members. For the last 10 years, Dave has also been the snooker convener and captain for the ABC, where he has expanded the programme with competitions against further clubs in Hong Kong. Therefore, he is regularly in the club either for sailing, snooker or with his family socially. Professional wise Dave, runs a technology & change recruitment firm in Hong Kong, where he has specialised in the recruitment field for over 20 years.

4. **George Doyle**
   Club member since 2006
   Proposed by Martin Ganz; Seconded by Andrew Burgin

   Biography

   George Doyle is a UK Chartered Engineer by profession and has lived and worked in Hong Kong since 1995. He is presently the Managing Director of a Building Services and Lighting Consultancy Practice carrying out numerous projects throughout the whole of SE Asia. He has been co-opted onto the House and Buildings Committee since 2022 to assist with ongoing engineering issues within the Club and would be honoured to serve on the General Committee should he be so elected.

5. **James Barker**
   Club member since 2019
   Proposed by Stephen Perret; Seconded by Jennifer Ganz

   Biography

   James Barker, born in Hong Kong, has been an avid sailor since the age of 5 starting at the ABC. After graduating university in the UK, he spent 8 years on the Olympic circuit sailing 49ers and perfecting and expanding his sailing skills. Afterwards, he became a professional superyacht captain and worked for ten years on vessels around the world. He now heads the operations of the “Hong Kong Historic Vessels Foundation” and runs the rigging company “Rigging HK”. He is currently serving on SailCom and works closely with the HKBIA and HKSF.

6. **James Smith**
   Club member since 2011
   Proposed by Catheryn Chu; Seconded by Martin Ganz

   Biography

   James Smith, member since 2011. Latent sailor and active member of the Scuba Club. Qualified Accountant with extensive administrative experience I have been an active member of both the General and House Committees for over 12 years and in 2020 was elected as Treasurer to the Club.

7. **Martin Ganz**
   Club member since 1994
   Proposed by Andrew Burgin; Seconded by Christopher Tung

   Biography

   Martin Ganz joined the ABC early 1994 after acquiring a share in a Junk end of 1988. He was responsible for sponsoring the Four Peaks Race with the Swiss watch brand TAG-Heuer from 1994 to 1996.

   He lives in Asia for more than 50 years – Japan – HK – Thailand – Singapore and back in HK since 2002, holding different managerial positions. After retiring from a Swiss Multinational Global Company in 2018, he was elected to the General Committee and served since on the House & Building Committee of the ABC and is happy to continue to serve the Club, particularly with the different renovation projects in progress.

   Martin and his family very much enjoy time at the ABC. Their daughter is also an active member in her own right.