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The Grumpy Commodore

Newsletter From Oban Sailing Club



**AGM
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EDITION**

Annual General Meeting 2023

The Oban Sailing Club Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on

November 6th 2023 at 19:30

Oban Sailing Club
Dungallan Park
Gallanach Road
PA34 4PD

Online - using Zoom

Join Zoom Meeting
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Meeting ID: 854 8823 1128
Passcode: 194327

All members are invited to attend and this year we strongly encourage you to play an active role in shaping the future of your club.

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WHAT IS AN AGM? WHY SHOULD I ATTEND?

The Annual General Meeting, is a yearly gathering held by the club to discuss and address important matters related to its operations, governance, and future plans.

It is a formal meeting where club members come together to review the club's performance, make decisions, and elect or appoint club officials.

There will be reports on the club's financial status, activities, achievements, and challenges. The Commodore will provide updates on the progress made throughout the year and highlight any significant developments.

Members have the opportunity to ask questions, provide feedback, and propose changes or improvements.

This year we have made it even easier to attend the AGM.

If you can't or don't want to come to the club, you can join in online from the comfort of your own sofa, grab some snacks and your drink of choice.

We don't even mind if you are wearing your pyjamas, we just want you to be there.



Why Should I Attend the 2023 Annual General Meeting (AGM)?

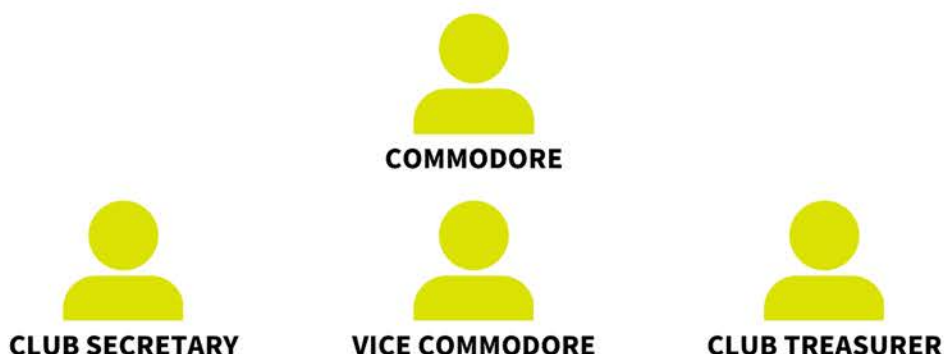
Are you ready to step up and contribute to your club's future?

Then attending the AGM is a must! Here are six reasons why:

- 1. Get Involved:** The AGM is an excellent opportunity to actively participate in the club's decision-making process. Share your thoughts, ask questions, and help steer the club in the right direction.
- 2. Stay Up-to-Date:** Keep yourself informed about the club's most recent updates, reports, and financial statements. Stay in the loop on the club's progress, goals, and financial health.
- 3. Cast Your Vote:** At the AGM, you have the power to vote on crucial matters such as leadership, budgets, and more. Don't miss your chance to exercise your right to vote.
- 4. Promote Transparency:** AGMs promote club accountability and transparency. Ask the tough questions, seek clarification, and hold leadership accountable.
- 5. Build Connections:** Attendees at AGMs are often like-minded individuals, so it's a great opportunity to expand your network and create a sense of community.
- 6. Drive Change:** Your active participation at the AGM has the potential to influence the club's decisions and drive change. Make your voice heard and help shape the club's future!



WHAT ROLES ARE AVAILABLE?



COMMITTEE ROLES

COVERING DIFFERENT AREAS OF CLUB MANAGEMENT WITH VOLUNTEERS AT THE HEART OF EVERYTHING WE DO!





Commodore

As the Club Commodore, you will play a vital role in leading and representing our club.

This is a volunteer position with a focus on promoting the club's mission, fostering a sense of community among members, and ensuring the smooth operation of club activities.

You will work closely with other club officers, committee members, and volunteers to create a thriving and enjoyable environment for all members

Responsibilities

- ✓ Leadership & Representation
- ✓ Club Management
- ✓ Membership Engagement
- ✓ Events & Activities
- ✓ Financial Oversight
- ✓ Safety & Compliance
- ✓ Communication

Benefits

- ✓ Meet New People
- ✓ Learn New Skills
- ✓ Support your Community
- ✓ Get out on the water
- ✓ Have Fun

Time Commitment

This is a volunteer position, and the time commitment will vary depending on the club's activities and events. The Commodore is typically expected to be available for club meetings, events, and activities and may involve additional time for planning and administrative tasks.

When?

- Committee Meetings ✓
- Club Events & Activities ✓
- External Events & Activities ✓
- Special Events ✓

Who is this role for?

Any member who wants to get involved and support the club, who has some leadership and management skills and a passion for volunteering. ✓

INTERESTED?

Let us know!





Vice Commodore

As the Club Vice Commodore, you will play a vital role supporting the leadership and representation of our club.

This is a volunteer position with a focus on supporting the Commodore and committee to promote the club's mission, fostering a sense of community among members, and ensuring the smooth operation of club activities.

Your role can vary based on your specific skill set.

Responsibilities

- ✓ Leadership & representation
- ✓ Club Management
- ✓ Membership Engagement
- ✓ Events & Activities
- ✓ Financial Oversight
- ✓ Safety & Compliance
- ✓ Communication

Benefits

- ✓ Meet New People
- ✓ Learn New Skills
- ✓ Support your Community
- ✓ Get out on the water
- ✓ Have Fun

Time Commitment

This is a volunteer position, and the time commitment will vary depending on the club's activities and events. The Vice Commodore is typically expected to be available for club meetings, events, and activities and may involve additional time for planning and administrative tasks.

When?

- Committee Meetings ✓
- Club Events & Activities ✓
- External Events & Activities ✓
- Special Events ✓

Who is this role for?

Any member who wants to get involved and support the club, who has some leadership and management skills and a passion for volunteering. ✓

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Club Secretary

The club secretary plays a crucial role in the efficient functioning of the club.

This is a voluntary role focused on providing administrative support and ensuring effective communication among club members, committees, and external stakeholders.

Responsibilities

- ✓ Administrative Support
- ✓ Meeting Coordination
- ✓ Communication Management
- ✓ Membership Management
- ✓ Documentation and Record Keeping
- ✓ External Relations
- ✓ Compliance & Governance
- ✓ Funding and Grant Applications

Benefits

- ✓ Meet New People
- ✓ Learn New Skills
- ✓ Support your Community
- ✓ Get out on the water
- ✓ Have Fun

Time Commitment

This is a volunteer position, and the time commitment will vary depending on the club's activities and events. The Club Secretary is typically expected to be available for club meetings, but will also be expected to carry out regular tasks in their own time.

When?

- Committee Meetings ✓
- Spare Time ✓

Who is this role for?

- A member who wants to get involved and support the club ✓
- Strong organisational and administrative skills ✓
- Good communication skills ✓
- Strong interpersonal skills to work collaboratively with club officers, committees, and volunteers ✓

INTERESTED?

Let us know!





Role Profile

Treasurer

The club treasurer plays a crucial role in managing the financial affairs of the club.

This is a volunteer position with responsibility for maintaining accurate financial records.

You will work with the Committee and oversee budgeting and financial planning, and ensuring the club's financial stability and transparency.

Responsibilities

- ✓ Financial Management
- ✓ Budgeting & Planning
- ✓ Book Keeping & Record Keeping
- ✓ Banking and Cash Management
- ✓ Financial Compliance
- ✓ Financial Planning & Forecasting
- ✓ Financial Policies & Control
- ✓ Funding and Grant Applications

Benefits

- ✓ Meet New People
- ✓ Learn New Skills
- ✓ Support your Community
- ✓ Get out on the water
- ✓ Have Fun

Time Commitment

This is a volunteer position, and the time commitment will vary depending on the club's activities and events. The Treasurer is typically expected to be available for club meetings, but will also be expected to carry out regular tasks in their own time.

When?

- Committee Meetings ✓
- Spare Time ✓

Who is this role for?

- A member who wants to get involved and support the club ✓
- Strong financial management skills ✓
- Proficiency in financial software and tools for bookkeeping and financial management ✓
- Strong communication and interpersonal skills to collaborate with club leadership, members, and external stakeholders. ✓

INTERESTED?

Let us know!



Role Profile

Committee Member

The club committee members play a crucial role in managing the club.

This is a volunteer position with a focus on supporting the Commodore and committee to promote the club's mission, fostering a sense of community among members, and ensuring the smooth operation of club activities.

Your role can vary based on your specific skill set.

Any of the following skills!

- ✓ Facilities Management
- ✓ Vessel Management
- ✓ Volunteer Management
- ✓ Membership & Engagement
- ✓ Training
- ✓ Social & Event Management
- ✓ Sailing & Race Management
- ✓ Funding and Grant Applications
- ✓ Young Member Representation
- ✓ Any other skills - just let us know

Benefits

- ✓ Meet New People
- ✓ Learn New Skills
- ✓ Support your Community
- ✓ Get out on the water
- ✓ Have Fun

Time Commitment

This is a volunteer position, and the time commitment will vary depending on the club's activities and events. Committee Members are typically expected to be available for club meetings, but will also be expected to carry out regular tasks in their own time.

When?

- Committee Meetings ✓
- Spare Time ✓

Who is this role for?

- Any member who wants to get involved and support the club ✓
- Got skills you think we need? ✓
- Want to gain new skills? ✓

INTERESTED?

Let us know!





Volunteer

There are loads of volunteering opportunities at the club, you could help supervise events and activities, support us with social media and marketing, run the bar or play an instrument at one of our social nights, keep the club looking smart with general repairs and maintenance or join our committee.

It's a fun way to share your knowledge and skills, or learn something new

Time Commitment

- Regular
- Seasonal
- Out of Season
- Specific Events

Possibilities

- Supporting Events & Activities
- Repairs & Maintenance
- Safety Boat, Shore Helpers, Race Officials
- Funding & Grant Applications
- Bar Staff & Catering for events
- Social Media & Communications
- Many Others -
Tell us about your skills

Benefits

- Training Provided
- Meet New People
- Learn New Skills
- Support your Community
- Get out on the water
- Have Fun

When?

- Friday Night Social Sessions
- Club Events & Activities
- External Events & Activities
- Special Events
- Friday Night Social Sessions

Volunteer Requirements

- Bar - Over 18s Only
- Anyone who wants to get involved and support the club

INTERESTED?

Let us know!





NOMINATIONS PLEASE!

Election to Committee Roles

If you wish to nominate any member for election to any of the various committee roles (Commodore, Vice Commodore, Secretary, Treasurer, Committee member) then please make your nomination using the enclosed Google form before 6th November 2023.

<https://forms.gle/Kqw1bUmxgs4LT2XUA>

Interested in a role, but want more information?

Need someone to nominate you?

Please contact mail@obansailingclub.org

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

This year we are really hoping to broaden the membership of our committee to reflect the diverse nature of our club and to encourage a wide variety of volunteers.

To do this we are planning (subject to committee approval) to limit the full committee meetings to once per quarter, and avoid the summer season, when people want to be on the water.

We are going to operate all committee meetings as Hybrid, meaning you can Zoom in from anywhere if you don't wish to or can't travel to the club.

We have exciting plans for the club and want as many people to be part of it as possible.

If you don't think the committee is for you, but you have skills you would like to share to help us develop the club, please do let us know you would like to help.



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Volunteer Opportunities

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