



香港會所管理協會

The Club Managers' Association of Hong Kong

Dear All,

Chairman's Message

A warm welcome back from your summer travels wherever they may have taken you. How wonderful it was to travel without having RAT's, apps, quarantine, and masks!

I am sure you are all back into the swing of things at your respective Clubs, mopping up after the storms and generally getting ready for the busy season just over the horizon. I wish you all the best as we move towards the festive season, let's hope our members understand and appreciate the incredible work all our teams put in for their enjoyment.

Most recently, I have been surprised to learn that not everybody gives my Newsletters the attention I anticipated, albeit perhaps what my Newsletters deserve! As such, eager to please, moving forward I will keep this as short as possible to regain and retain the readership.

Events

We now only have 3 days to go until Mark Pawley's next leaving party, I believe this could be his final jamboree but I would not bet on it. I am sure we are all looking forward to saying our fond farewells to Mark after his unprecedented 25 years as a GM of Hong Kong Football Club.

Carrying on with events, we all very much look forward to:

- Monday 16th October : Canadian Thanksgiving Dinner at The American Club
- Monday 20th November : Golf Day followed with Dinner with Spouses at Shek O Golf Club
- Wednesday 6th December : Annual Holiday Fondue Blowout at The Aberdeen Marina Club

Other events to be finalised include:

- Rescheduled Sailing Day at Hebe Haven Yacht Club
- Visit Kadoorie Farm
- Boating Day, using either American Club boat or Hebe Haven Yacht Club boat
- Fanling Golf Day and Butterfly / Tortoise Farm

Accounts and Membership

Reports from our Financial controller show that we currently have 62 registered members of which 42 have paid up their 2023/24 membership dues. For those still looking for their cheque books, please arrange as soon as possible so we can close this issue.

Education

CMA ExCom has been discussing the possibility of holding a Club Managers Conference in 2024. Alternatively, we may consider to hold the Conference every 3 years to maintain its value. Any thoughts would be appreciated.

School of Hotel and Tourism Management Students Scholarships

Once again, we will be working with SHTM for the upcoming 2023/24 academic year. Following on from a successful scholarship presentation earlier this year, we are planning to provide the 4 winning candidates an opportunity to 'Shadow' a GM at their respective Clubs for one day. This worked very well last year and provided a valuable learning opportunity for the students (and GMs!) If any of our membership would like to offer an opportunity this October / November for a student to 'Shadow' at you Club for a day, please let me know.

We will also be holding a 'Lunch with Managers on 1st November at the Hong Kong Cricket Club. Anybody who would like to join in this lunch, please let me know.

Jacco Klip is back!

And finally, it is indeed my great pleasure to announce that Jacco has volunteered to return to the CMA ExCom. Jacco has already spent a number of years on CMA ExCom looking after our finances, organising conferences and general entertainments guru so his expertise and enthusiasm is greatly welcomed, thank you Jacco.

Kieran Hale
Chairman

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