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# NEWSLETTER

Malta Cruising Club news



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## Club News

Dear members,

### AGM 2022

We held our AGM 2022 on the 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2023 at the San Antonio Hotel in Qawra.

For the benefit of those who could not join us for the AGM, I will give you a brief 'resume' of what was discussed and agreed at the meeting:

The Agenda for the AGM was:

1. Opening of Meeting
2. Hon Secretary Report
3. Hon Treasurer's Report
4. Changes to the Club Statute
5. Election of the Club Committee for 2023/2024
6. Other Matters

The Commodore, Wilfred Sultana opened the meeting at 11:00 am following by a detailed report from the Hon Secretary of the events organised by the Club during 2022. This was followed by a report by the Hon Treasurer of the finances of the Club for 2022.

## Changes in the Statute of the Club and Membership Fees

The fourth item of the agenda was a proposal to make changes to the Club Statute to correct some typos, simplify the election procedures of the Club Committee and to make changes to the membership fees of the Club.

Regarding membership fees, there were two changes which need to be highlighted. The first is related to the annual membership fee which, starting from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023 will increase from €25 to €30. The second is that related to changes in Article 5.1 of the Club Statute. The “Entrance Fee” mentioned in this article is changed to “Application Fee” and this fee is now established at €20. New members to the Club will henceforth be required to pay an Application Fee as well as the annual membership fee when they join the Club.

May we remind you that Article 5.4 also states that if a member fails to pay the annual membership fee by the 30<sup>th</sup> June of the year for which it is due, such member will cease to be a member of the Club. This means that if the same member decides to re-join the Club after failing to pay the annual membership fee, he/she will be required to also pay the Application Fee as well as the annual membership fee for that year.

## Election of Club Committee for 2023/2024

We have circulated proposal forms to all members for the six vacant seats in the Committee for the two years 2023/24. The closing date for nominations for members to propose themselves for the Club Committee was the 8<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

By that date, we received only six (6) duly filled in Nomination Forms. That is equal to the number of vacant seats. Consequently, there was no need to take a vote during the AGM. The nominations we received were from: Borg Barthet Charles; Calleja Austin; Cuschieri Johann; Genovese Patrick; Pace Joseph and Taliana Victor.

## Wilfred Sultana



Commodore Wilfred Sultana did not propose himself for the 2023/24 Committee due to personal reasons. Wilfred has been a member of the Club’s Committee for 8 years and for the last 6 years he was the Commodore of the Club.

We cannot thank Wilfred enough for his contribution to the Club not only whilst he was a member of the Committee and the Commodore of the Club but also in his professional capacity since the foundation of the Club way back in 2005 when the club was set up by Antony de Bono and a group his friends.

### New Club Committee for 2023/2024

Subsequent to the AGM, the six elected members to the Committee of the Club met at a Committee Meeting on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February and decided that the officers of the Club shall be:

**Commodore:**

Johann Cuschieri



**Hon Secretary:**

Austin Calleja



**Hon Treasurer:**

Victor Taliana



**Officer Social Events:**

Joseph Pace



**Officer Tech. Talks and Social Media:**

Patrick Genovese



**Officer Sailing Events:**

Charles Borg Barthet



## Club Polo Shirts and Burgees

We have a limited number of Club Polo Shirts and a few Club Burgees for sale.

The Polo Shirts come in two colours, dark blue (and not royal blue as per picture) and white and they have an embroidered logo of the Club on the left-hand side.



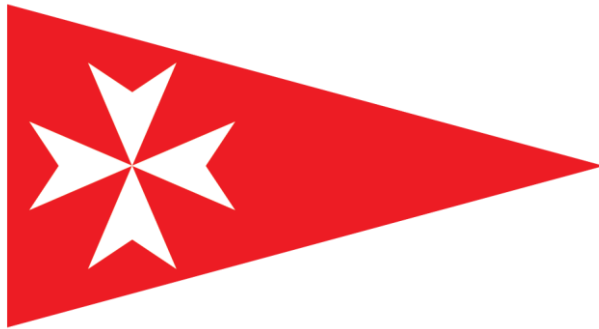
We have the following sizes available:

Dark Blue: Small (only 3 left) Large (only 2 left)

White: Small (3 left) Medium (2 left) XLarge (1 left)

These are brand new polo shirts but old stock. We are selling them at below cost to clear our stocks at only €12 each.

We also have a few burgees of the Club:



The burgees cost €15 each and they measure 30cm X 55cm

At the moment, we have only 4 burgees in stock. We will, of course, order more in future but they take some time to be produced and delivered to us.

If any member would like to purchase a polo shirt or need a burgee of the Club to fly on this boat, please contact me on [maltacruisingclub@gmail.com](mailto:maltacruisingclub@gmail.com). Obviously, until stocks last.

## Renewal of Annual Membership Fees 2023

Lastly, may I remind you to renew your annual membership fees for 2023. You will find details on how to do that below. Thank you.

Regards

Austin Calleja

Hon Secretary

## Membership renewal 2023

The Club annual membership fee for 2023 is €30. New members are required to also pay an Application Fee of €20. Please make your payment either through internet banking or by cheque from a local bank:

### ***Internet banking:***

Account name: **Malta Cruising Club**

Bank of Valletta Account number: **40015294696**

IBAN: **MT53VALL22013000000040015294696**

When you send your remittance by direct internet banking, please make sure you include your name on the remittance form of the bank.

### ***Cheque:***

Alternatively, you can send a local bank cheque payable to “Malta Cruising Club” to the Hon Treasurer's home address below:

Mr Victor Taliana

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