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Lantau Yacht Club Boat Show - Festa Nautica 2025 Kicks Off

Showcasing Momentum for Hong Kong's Yacht Economy

Hong Kong – The Lantau Yacht Club Boat Show - Festa Nautica 2025 commenced today with an enthusiastic opening ceremony, drawing a strong crowd of maritime enthusiasts and industry professionals.

Officiating guests Mr. Victor Cha, Chairman of HKR International Limited, The Hon. Dr. Peter Lam, GBM, GBS, Chairman of Hong Kong Tourism Board, Mr. Jackie Tang, Managing Director of HKR International Limited, Mr. David Lee, Director & Head of HK Property of CITIC Pacific Properties and Mr. Franklin Mak, Executive Vice President of Hospitality at HKR International Limited, together with yachting industry leaders marked the start of this three-day celebration of maritime culture.

Dr. Peter Lam, Chairman of the **Hong Kong Tourism Board**, said, "In the Policy Address announced last month, the Chief Executive introduces a series of initiatives to develop the yacht economy, including enhancing the amenities for the yacht industry and promoting prime yacht tourism. The 'Festa Nautica 2025' Boat Show presents valuable opportunities for collaboration and exchange among industry players across the region including Chinese Mainland. This will reinforce Hong Kong's position as a leading yacht hub in Asia and contribute positively to the advancement of 'Yacht + Tourism' and the broader vision of 'Tourism is Everywhere'."

The show has attracted visitors from across the region, with particular interest from yacht owners and marine lifestyle enthusiasts from the Greater Bay Area, underscoring the event's significance as a key gathering for the regional marine community.

Strong Engagement and Qualified Interest Across the Show

"The goal of the 'Nautical Festival' is to contribute to the development of Hong Kong's yacht industry and establish an international yacht show for Hong Kong that ranks among the world's top yacht shows, such as those in Monaco and Singapore. This year, the yacht show has grown into a significant event, and we hope to continue working with industry professionals to drive the growth of Hong Kong's yacht industry," said Mr. Franklin Mak, Executive Vice President of Hospitality at **HKR International Limited.**

The exhibition floor was energised with steady visitor traffic and productive discussions. This year collaboration partners included a record 30 yachts from leading China and international brands including **Absolute, Aquila, Axopar, Azimut, BENETEAU, Dufour, Ferretti, Fountaine Pajot, Four Winns, Gilles Vaton, IAG, INFYNITO, Jeanneau, Lagoon, Parker, Prestige, Oceania, Osea, Saxdor, Selene, Sunseeker, Wally, and Yanmar** on display, superyachts represented by **Burgess** and **Camper & Nicholsons**, as well as **Damen Yachting**. Meanwhile, **Grandtech International Engineering** and **Express Marine Electronics** displayed their marine engineering and electronics products. **DCH Marina** offered shuttle service between Discovery Bay pier and the club on the **Saxdor 400 GTC**, alongside hands-on sea trial experiences organised by **MSA** with **COX** engines.

"The quality of engagement today has been exceptional," noted Ms. Samantha Chan, Head of Marine of **DCH Marine Limited**. "We're seeing deep interest in our new models, particularly the Sunseeker Ocean 90 Enclosed."

Industry Leaders Align on Vision for Growth

The event facilitated crucial industry dialogue, highlighted by a seminar titled "The Infinite Possibilities of the Yacht Economy: Seminar on Cross-Border Integration and Industry Upgrade." Mr. Franklin Mak joined over ten Greater Bay Area yacht industry representatives to discuss development opportunities. The seminar focused on supporting the government's policy address by championing industrial upgrade through the "yacht + tourism" concept.

Mr. Benjamin Wong, Head of Transport & Logistics and Industrials, **InvestHK**, "The robust activity at Festa Nautica 2025 underscores Hong Kong's unique position as a focal point for the yacht economy. InvestHK is keen to support the entire ecosystem by attracting high-value international investments that will strengthen Hong Kong's position as a yacht hub in the Greater Bay Area, Asia and beyond."

Forging Key Regional Connections

"Festa Nautica is a live demonstration of the vibrant 'yacht economy' advocated in the 2025 Policy Address," commented Mr. Lawrence Chow, Chairman of **Hong Kong Boating Industry Association**. "This event proves that with the right platform, Hong Kong is perfectly positioned to be the region's premier yachting hub."

The participation of the **Zhuhai Jinwan Yacht Industry Development Association** was a strategic success, opening concrete pathways for collaboration on marine services and regional cooperation. "We have established tangible opportunities that will directly benefit yacht owners and the related yacht industry chain across the Greater Bay Area, this will be an excellent opportunity to develop the 3R Business – Repair, Refit & Recreation for the Yacht Industry and Users." said Mr. Howard Chen, Chairman of the Association.

Lifestyle Elements Create a Comprehensive Experience

Beyond the docks, Festa Nautica delivered a full-sensory lifestyle experience. Luxury displays of **Jacob & Co.** timepieces and **Rolls-Royce** motor car set a glamorous tone, while culinary delights from **Caffè Napoli, Auberge Discovery Bay Hong Kong, Peony Chinese Restaurant** and **Discovery Bay Golf Club** catered to every palate. The event buzzed with activity, from the relaxed Migratory cigar lounge and high-fidelity **KEF** sound zones, drone experience by DJI to interactive engagements with **Asia Aces Pickleball Academy**, **Discovery Bay Golf Club** putting games, **Genius Skate**'s outdoor ice rink.

Positive Momentum Builds for the Weekend

With two days remaining, Festa Nautica 2025 continues to offer visitors the opportunity to explore a wide array of yachts and marine products, all set within a dynamic lifestyle environment.

Event Details:

Dates: 17-19 October 2025 (Friday to Sunday)

Hours: 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM daily

Venue: Lantau Yacht Club, Discovery Bay, Hong Kong

Admission: Complimentary with pre-registration at this link

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Officiating guests at the Festa Nautica 2025 Opening Ceremony.

(Left to right) Mr. David Lee, Director & Head of HK Property of CITIC Pacific Properties, The Hon. Dr. Peter Lam, GBM, GBS, Chairman of Hong Kong Tourism Board, Mr. Victor Cha, Chairman of HKR International Limited, Mr. Jackie Tang, Managing Director of HKR International Limited, Mr. Franklin Mak, Executive Vice President of Hospitality of HKR International Limited.

The LYC Marina buzzes with energy as visitors explore a record 30 yachts.

Group photo of industry representatives at the "The Infinite Possibilities of the Yacht Economy: Seminar on Cross-Border Integration and Industry Upgrade"

(5th – 9th from the left) Mr. Franklin Mak, Executive Vice President of Hospitality at HKR International Limited, Mr. Lawrence Chow, Chairman of Hong Kong Boating Industry Association, Mr. Benjamin Wong, Head of Transport & Logistics and Industrials, InvestHK, Mr. Howard Chen, Chairman of Zhuhai Jinwan Yacht Industry Development Association, Ms Natasha Ho, President of the China Real Estate Chamber of Commerce Hong Kong and International Chapter.

Lantau Yacht Club Festa Nautica 2025 offers luxury lifestyle experiences and displays

Jacob & Co timepieces

Rolls-Royce Cullinan SII

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About Lantau Yacht Club

Located in the northeast of Lantau Island, Lantau Yacht Club ("LYC / the Club") is one of the four premium membership clubs in Discovery Bay, Hong Kong's renowned international residential community and a unique leisure destination developed by Hong Kong Resort Company Limited. The predecessor first started operations in 1989 and was closed for a major renovation from early 2019. The new marina soft opened in August 2020 with a brand-new design, modern technology, and superyacht berths to meet the needs of Hong Kong's growing sailing and pleasure boating community, and the refurbished Clubhouse opened in April 2021. The members-only club demonstrates a commitment to excellence that has earned multiple industry awards – the first and only marina in Hong Kong to receive the prestigious 5 Gold Anchor Platinum Marina and Superyacht Ready Marina accreditations from the Marina Industries Association in 2025, the title of Best Super Yacht Marina 2023 in Hong Kong from LUXlife Magazine, and the recognition as the Best New Marina in Asia 2024 from the renowned yachting magazine Yacht Style.

About Auberge Hospitality

Auberge Hospitality is a collection of hotel, club and leisure properties under Hong Kong Resort Company Limited offering premium hospitality services and all-round leisure facilities, events and activities to create unique resort leisure lifestyle and experiences for every taste. The Auberge Hospitality brands include Discovery Bay Golf Club, Lantau Yacht Club, Auberge Discovery Bay Hong Kong, Discovery Bay Recreation Club, Club Siena, DB Ice Rink and Peony Chinese Restaurant in Discovery Bay, a renowned resort-style community located just 25 minutes away from Central CBD by ferry and 20 minutes from the Hong Kong International Airport, Tung Chung and Sunny Bay by land transport.

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