

Scottish Fencing 2021 Proposal Form – Election of Directors

Proposal Form to stand in an election for Directors of Scottish Fencing Ltd to be held in March 2021.

Return the completed form by email to elections@scottish-fencing.com before **1800 on Monday 15 February 2021**. (Receipt will be acknowledged).

The proposal and election of Directors are governed by the Articles of Association of Scottish Fencing Ltd and the Bye-Law 'Election of Directors' agreed by the Board.

Note that this Proposal Form will be published on the Scottish Fencing website once it is confirmed it has been completed validly.

I (name) ... Hugh Kernohan hereby offer to stand for election to the post of Director of Scottish Fencing Ltd.

My Scottish Fencing Membership number is ... [REDACTED]

My proposal is supported by the following Voting Members of Scottish Fencing:

	Name	SF no	Preferred email address for confirmation of support
1.	Tom Hoffmann	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
2.	George Liston	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
3.	Mike McKay	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
4.	Michele Narey	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
5.	Alasdair Urquhart	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
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At least five supporters are required, but more may be listed. Note that no Voting Member may support more than one proposal. Voting Members are members over the age of 16.

In the supporting statement below I describe my suitability to serve on the Board and outline what I would hope to achieve for fencing in Scotland through membership of the Board.

Supporting statement - (400 words maximum)

I have served on the Board since 2017, initially concentrating on the Performance and Governance portfolios, and latterly Governance alone. I have brought to the Board my personal experience of training and competing at the highest level; and knowledge and skills drawn from working with government bureaucracies and operating as a senior manager and board member in discrete business units within the Ministry of Defence. Throughout my time on the Board I have continued to fence competitively, both in open events across the UK and internationally as a GBR veteran. I was

delighted to be selected for the Scotland Senior team again for the 2019 Five Nations in Dublin, and in 2020 was 'European Fencer of the Year' in the the 60-69 Epee category.

My vision of Scottish Fencing remains an organisation which does two things. First, it helps make real the dream of representing your country at the highest level you can. Second, it helps build and sustain the clubs which expose fencing to newcomers and which give all those who have fun fencing the opportunity to keep on having fun for as long as they are able.

The pandemic has been a hard blow to the Board which felt it was successfully re-building foundations to support future growth. When fencing can resume, I believe SF must take up where it left off by retaining the energetic and creative staff we now have, creating more structures (like the refereeing group) which harness the effort of fencing's volunteers systematically across the country, and bringing in ideas and talent from outside fencing.

I recognise we are a small organisation which teeters on the edge of viability in Scotland. I don't have a magic wand to change that but I do think I can help the Board to keep us in step with sportscotland whose investment keeps us going, and to mobilise our own capacity to grow.