



13 April 2026

Dear Members,

I am pleased to write to you ahead of the 2026 Annual General Meeting (AGM) in the continuing glow of one of the most memorable seasons for British skiing and snowboarding that the country has ever seen. After four years of diligence, hard work, and exceptional efforts by our team of athletes, coaches, practitioners, and administrators, we came away from the Milan-Cortina Olympic and Paralympic Games with three medals, a first British Olympic gold on snow, and a succession of 'best ever' performances across multiple disciplines.

Many of you will remember the deflation felt after the Beijing Games in 2022, and I hope you will all join me in congratulating the team on the incredible turnaround they have delivered in these past four years. Indeed, I am aware from the kind words of many members, both expressed directly and passed on, that those congratulations have been generously offered and warmly received in the past weeks.

While a recap will not be necessary for any of you, I do want to formally place on record my congratulations to every member of the team that has helped deliver these accomplishments. From Charlotte Bankes and Huw Nightingale's history-making Team Snowboard Cross Olympic Gold, Neil Simpson and Rob Poth's fantastic Alpine Combined Silver, and Zoe Atkin's first ever British Olympic Halfpipe medal with Freeski Bronze, to the four Crystal Globes secured this year (by Charlotte, Zoe, and a brace for Kirsty Muir), and every single one of the 50 major podiums won by a British athlete this year, the standard and determination of the team has been nothing short of extraordinary.

As chair of the board, I am beyond proud at what has been achieved this year, and I know I can speak on behalf of the nation when I say that this team has changed many minds when it comes to appreciating what British skiers and snowboarders are capable of on the world stage.

Indeed, the performances we have seen across the board this year, from all disciplines have been nothing short of incredible, with no fewer than eight athletes delivering a best-in-history result for Britons in their events at this year's Olympic Winter Games. As well as our medal winners, I would particularly highlight the sterling efforts of our Cross-Country men's and women's teams, Kirsty Muir and Gus Kenworthy in our Freeski disciplines, Mia Brookes in Freestyle Snowboarding, and both Davy Zyw and Nina Sparks in Para Snowboarding, the latter pair of whom became Britain's first ever MND and first ever female Para Snowboarders, breaking new ground on the world's biggest stage.

I must make mention, also, of our Alpine athletes. First and foremost, we bid a sad, but very fond, farewell to Dave Ryding who concluded his professional career on the slopes of the Milan-Cortina Games having already secured his status as an icon of our sport. And secondly, it would be remiss to not call out the particular accomplishments of the Carrick-Smith brothers, all three of whom made World Cup debuts this year, and continuing a proud British lineage of world class Alpine skiing siblings representing Britain on the World Cup tour. Laurie Taylor also made an historic contribution to the sport, becoming only Britain's third ever qualifier for the Alpine World Cup Finals.

We also wish put on record our thanks and admiration for other retiring athletes this summer, in particular Scott Meenagh (Para Nordic) and James Barnes Miller (Para Snowboard), both of whom have represented the country with dignity and dedication, and provided enduring memories in their many years competing on the world stage.

While we are rightly focused on celebrating what's been achieved this year and across the last four years, there is also continued serious work underway off the snow aimed at seizing the opportunity for the sport to grow from the foundations that are now in place. As at the end of each four year cycle, we are in discussions with UK Sport as our principle funder ahead of decisions around investment levels and structure and, as ever, will be making strong representations on behalf of all of our Olympic and Paralympic disciplines in these conversations. We are also closely engaged with our major commercial partners as we look to build on our most successful year of commercial sponsorship activity to date. I would like to thank all our funders, alongside the very many benefactors and supporters who have helped to ensure we can continue to invest in supporting Britain's top athletes to achieve and fulfil their potential.

I also thank our board for their unwavering commitment to GB Snowsport over this past year, including Andrew Coulson who has kindly stepped in to fulfil required board finance functions in recent months, and whose appointment we will be asking the membership to ratify at the AGM.

I would like to assure members that the whole board and executive are conscious of prevailing world affairs which are likely to have an impact economically on our sport as we enter the important summer pre-season training period, as well as of the forthcoming FIS elections due to take place in near proximity to the AGM.

For matters concerning the AGM, the board has opted to retain a hybrid digital and in-person format for the meeting. To ensure members gain access, I would ask those wishing to attend by either means to email cosec@gbsnowsport.com no later than ten days before the date of the meeting to confirm your intended attendance.

Questions for the AGM can be submitted in advance, again by emailing cosec@gbsnowsport.com. We will make our best endeavours to raise those questions at the meeting.

There are four resolutions to be voted on at the meeting:

1. To receive and adopt the accounts for the year ended 30 September 2025
2. To reappoint Crowe LLP as the Company's auditors until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of the Company at which accounts are laid before the members
3. To ratify the appointment of Andrew Coulson as a Director on 1 May 2026 for the period to the AGM in 2029
4. As a Special Resolution, to adopt changes to the articles of association as outlined in the notice of AGM

Yours faithfully,

Jason Cobbold
Chair