

## Captain Harvey Smith

Harvey Smith was born in 1932 and attended Allan Glen's School before going on to the Murray Sea School. He joined Donaldson Line in 1952 and sailed as Senior cadet on the *Captain Cook*, an immigrant ship to New Zealand, visiting Pitcairn Island on the way.

On gaining 2<sup>nd</sup> Mates he moved to Cunard, sailing on cargo ships initially then as 2<sup>nd</sup> officer/principal navigator on the *MVS Britannic*, the last of the White Star Line. Then on to the *Caronia* before returning to cargo ships before attaining his Master's in '61.

He sailed on the *Ivernia*, *Saxonia*, *Queen Mary*, *Queen Elizabeth* and *Mauretania*. In '67 he joined the *QE2*, then being built on the Clyde, and sailed on her as 1<sup>st</sup> officer, Chief Officer then Staff Captain. He spent 1974 in Copenhagen overseeing the building of *Cunard Countess* and *Cunard Princess* and a further year and a half in Italy fitting them out. He returned to the *QE2* in the new role of General Manager.

In 1982 he was involved in the Falklands War, overseeing conversion to troop carrier of *Cunard Countess*. He sailed as Master and received a commendation from the Admiralty after landing troops in the Falkland Islands. In '83 he was promoted General Manager of *Countess* and *Princess* and in 1990 he was posted to New York as Vice-president Operations Trafalgar House. He retired in 1990 and returned to the UK doing consultancy work.

Harvey joined the Club in December '71 and was Sea Staff Captain in '83. He went aloft on 16<sup>th</sup> November 2015.