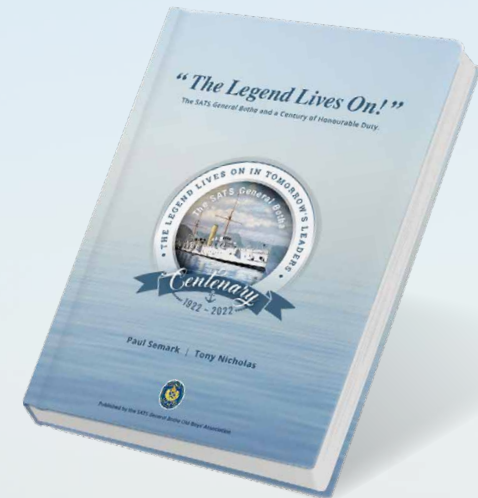


“The Legend Lives On!”

The SATS *General Botha* and a Century of Honourable Duty.



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This book explains why the legend of the Ship and her Old Salts lives on. It is a book that celebrates a century of honourable duty performed with distinction, it salutes the past and anticipates the future, revealing the essence of a truly South African maritime story - a great legendary saga to be told and retold, never to be forgotten while South Africans go down to the sea in ships.

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Paul Semark

Unable to pursue his boyhood dream of a career as a seafaring deck officer because of his partial colour blindness, Paul joined the SANC *General Botha* as cadet E55 for the term of 1960/61. His Bothie years were the beginning of a successful career in engineering, corporate management and executive education. He retired in 2014. He was a founding member of the committee of the GBOBA Bursary Fund, contributing principally to corporate governance, bursar selection and reportage. Paul served as vice-chairman of the Fund from 2015 to 2019. He remains a life governor.



Captain Tony Nicholas

Fulfilling his boyhood dream to follow a maritime career, Tony joined Safmarine in 1970, and trained at the SAMNA *General Botha* the following year. This provided the foundation for an interesting and varied career, both at sea as a navigation officer and ashore in its latter years. Tony joined the SATS *General Botha* Old Boys Association's Cape Town Branch committee in the early 1980s, and became the chairman in 1993. He also joined the founding committee of the Association's bursary fund as ex officio member, and has been actively involved with the bursary scholars, particularly since his retirement from corporate employment in 2015.

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