



# 2017 ANNUAL REPORT

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ASSOCIATION BURSARY FUND







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This report covers the activities related to the SATS *General Botha* Old Boys' Association Bursary Fund during the period from March 2017 to December 2017.



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### 1. MISSION:

The Fund was initiated in April 2011 by Phil Wade after a visit by four SATS *General Botha* Old Boys' Association (GBOBA) reunion groups, from the years 1951, 1961, 1971 and 1981, to the Lawhill Maritime Centre at Simon's Town School. Lawhill so impressed the participants as being similar to the *General Botha* in its years as a training ship, a nautical college and an academy that it was decided that it would be valuable and appropriate to establish a bursary fund with the following fourfold mission:

- The preservation of the SATS *General Botha* culture and legacy as a significant part of South African maritime history.
- The maintenance of a living memorial honouring the memory of *General Botha* Old Boys'.
- The encouragement and education of young South Africans to pursue careers in the maritime industry.
- The strengthening of national maritime education and training initiatives.

The Fund was created under the auspices of the Cape Town Branch of the SATS *General Botha* Old Boys' Association. The Fund has the following statement of objectives in its constitution:

### 2. PRINCIPAL OBJECTIVES:

The principal objective of the Fund is to assist students financially who wish to enter, or who already attend, an approved educational establishment to study towards a maritime career; being students studying, or wishing to study, at the Lawhill department of maritime studies in the Simon's Town School, or similar school, and those studying, or wishing to study at tertiary institutions to qualify for admittance to the Navigation and/or Engineering Cadet Programme.

Alternatively, should it be found by the governing body of the Fund that they cannot satisfy this principal objective for any reason, they can decide to support materially an approved institution that provides maritime education and/or training.

An important supplementary objective to the principal objective of the Fund is to provide a successful mentoring and outreach programme for all its funded students.

### 3. CONSTITUTION:

The original constitution was finalized and approved by the South African Revenue Services (SARS) in October 2011, establishing the Fund as a Public Benefit Organisation with registration for tax exemption and allowance for the issue of certificates for donor taxation benefits.

The original constitution was amended during 2017 to allow for the incorporation of the Society of Master Mariners Bursary Fund.

The constitution is available to any interested parties on request.

### 4. TAX BENEFITS FOR DONORS:

Donors subject to tax in South Africa can benefit by contributing to this fund as follows:

- Individuals: Limited to a donation benefit of 10% of taxable income before the deduction of donations and medical expenses.
- Companies: Limited to a donation benefit of 10% of taxable income before becoming liable for taxation on donations.

See a codicil for bequests attached as an addendum to this report on page 28.



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### 5. CHAIRMAN'S OVERVIEW:

This has been a year characterized by a great sense of speed, successful innovations and the development of valuable co-operation between the Fund and other maritime institutions. The white-water rafting analogy used to describe the experience of 2016 proved to be equally applicable throughout 2017, but so did the sense of exhilaration. It was a good year indeed. This should become apparent from even a quick read through this report. Details of the activities and events during the period covered by this report are addressed in the appropriate sections, but please allow me to highlight a few key issues at the outset.

Most importantly, all our bursars made progress in their journey towards professional maritime careers, with everyone moving on – some with distinctions and others clearly benefiting from the dedication of our extra-tutorial coaches to make the grade. Where some missed a mark, they were motivated enough to work towards supplementary examinations immediately. The mixed bag of results will be the subject of serious review and interaction amongst all parties concerned during the next academic year. As a Fund, we maintain contact with our bursars throughout their programme to facilitate and support their development whenever possible. Four new Lawhill Maritime Centre bursars were selected at year-end.

It will be seen from the financial report that the Fund's financial year has been changed to coincide with the calendar year. This assists our treasurer significantly with both budgeting and cash flow management. Hence the period covered in this annual report is limited to ten months only. We reach the end the financial year in a sound financial position as the result of tight control and, most importantly, the continued generosity of our loyal donors and many participants in our fund-raising events – these contributions are truly the fuel of the engines driving us on – **Thank you!**

An important feature of the year has been the progressive development of the Fund's collaboration with the TSW Sea Cadet Corps, the South African International Maritime Institute (SAIMI) and the National Sea Rescue Institute (NSRI); benefiting the Fund through funding and the facilitation of access to practical seamanship training for our bursars. The Fund's relationship with the NSRI will be formalised by the signing of a strategic alliance in 2018.

The Fund's administration has been strengthened by the appointment of Nicole Burchell as stipendiary administrator, enabling essential rationalisation of administrative practices and processes. Welcome to the team Nicole!

Two of our veteran board members, Ian Fishley and Danny Meyer, went on extended shore-leave this year. Their considerable contribution to the development and functioning of the Fund's programme has been considerable – thank you both, you will be sorely missed! Fortunately, new watch-keepers were welcomed aboard during the year, so the voyage continues under the governance of a very competent Governing Board. Thank you all for your enthusiasm and extraordinary service!

The experiences of this year have reinforced my belief that our bursaries are the seed-corn of the dreams and aspirations of our young bursars, transforming their lives and facilitating the development of the young professionals essential for the maintenance and growth of the South African maritime industry.

**"Full ahead!"**

Keith Burchell.



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### 6. ADMINISTRATION:

The redrafting of the constitution was completed during 2017 and will be ratified early in the new year. In addition to allowing for the incorporation of the SOMMSA Bursary Fund, the constitution broadens the scope of the Fund's objectives and formalizes aspects of the organisational structure and procedures.

In terms of the Constitution, the Fund is administered by a governing Governing Board elected at the Fund's annual general meeting, as follows:

#### BOARD MEMBERS



**Chairman**  
Keith Burchell



**Vice Chairman**  
Paul Semark



**Treasurer**  
Neil Lawson



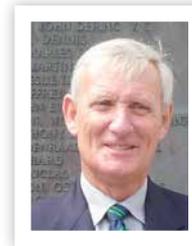
Phil Wade



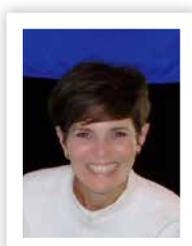
Blackie Swart



Aubrey Sosibo



Tony Nicholas  
(ex-officio – Cape Town Branch  
Chairman of the GBOBA)



The everyday administration of the Fund has been strengthened considerably by the appointment of Nicole Burchell in the role of stipendiary administrative officer.



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Nomkhitha Mbele and Aubrey Sosibo represent the Fund in Durban, providing essential mentoring to the Fund's Durban based bursars, and liaison with the Durban Branch of the GBOBA and other stakeholders.

The Board meets as required and, in addition, uses e-communication techniques to facilitate effective communication and decision-making. Committees are tasked with the operational work related to financial management, planning and budgeting, bursar selection, student mentoring and fundraising.

### BOARD MEMBERS



Nomkhitha Mbele



Lloyd Merriman



Yvette de Klerk



Colin Flockhart



Charles Kingon



Tiaan Rabe



Peter Coetzee

All board members give their services freely as a donation to the Fund, and all are conscious of their fiduciary responsibilities as board members. They are fully committed to the implementation and continuous monitoring of the processes and practices essential for sound corporate governance.



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### 7. BURSARS MOVING ON INTO 2018

#### Past and tertiary bursars:

**Tsoso Hanong** matriculated in 2013 with distinctions in a number of subjects and obtained a TNPA Bursary for his S1 and S2 Studies at Cape Peninsula University of Technology (CPUT). Tsoso proved to be the best student in both S1, S2 Diploma courses and ended up with distinctions in all subjects in 2014. In 2015 he gained his S3 & S4 with distinctions (Masters Theoretical) and was judged the best maritime student for 2015. Now well advanced on his seagoing cadetship.

**Zusiphe Mzotho** matriculated in 2013 with distinctions in a number of subjects and obtained a TNPA Bursary for her S1 and S2 studies at CPUT. Zusiphe also obtained distinctions in certain subjects in S1 & S2. In 2015 she gained her S3 and S4 with distinctions (Masters Theoretical). Now well advanced on her seagoing cadetship.

**Nicky Mkhulisi** matriculated in 2014 and having discovered that he is colour blind, decided to take a science degree at the University of the Western Cape (UWC). He is now approaching the completion of his B.Sc. degree programme.

**Mfundo Joseph** matriculated in 2015. Awarded a Smit Amandla Marine Bursary to study Marine Engineering at CPUT. He failed to complete the practical workshop phase of his engineering cadetship. He must now reassess his future career pathway.

**Lethabo Morovhi** matriculated in 2015. Awarded a SAMSA/Nedbank Bursary to study Navigation at CPUT. She has since transferred to the University of Johannesburg where she is studying law with a view to becoming a maritime lawyer.

**Talisha Chetty** matriculated in 2015. Awarded a Smit Amandla Marine Bursary to study Navigation at CPUT. She earned several distinctions during her first and second year and is now progressing well with her seagoing cadetship.

**Archie Leeu** matriculated in 2016. Awarded an AMSOL bursary. Continuing his navigation studies at the Cape Peninsula University of Technology (CPUT).

**Keanon Daniels** matriculated 2016. Awarded a GBOBABF bursary for maritime Studies with the Sea Safety Training Group (SSTG). He has passed all subjects and short courses for his deck officer watchkeeping certificate of competency, and is seeking a seagoing appointment.

**Jodie McFarlane** matriculated in 2017, now serving a one-year internship with the NSRI and continuing her studies in preparation for tertiary education in marine sciences.

**Smangaliso Dlamini** was awarded the GBOBABF Captain Steve Ray bursary for maritime studies at the Durban University of Technology. *"Smanga is doing extremely well. He has achieved 8 distinctions which is highly impressive. He is hardworking, dedicated and a leader, and has been recognised by the Head of Maritime Studies at DUT."*

**Loyiso Jantjies** matriculated 2017. Awarded a GBOBABF bursary for tertiary maritime studies with SSTG.

**Nkazimlo Mtshixa** matriculated 2017. Awarded a GBOBABF bursary for maritime studies with the SSTG.

**Lukhona Tetyana** matriculated 2017. Aspiring to study with SSTG.



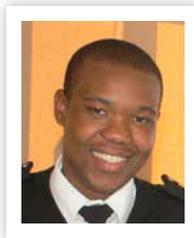
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**Soneze Ntingiso** matriculated 2017. Serving an internship with Mediterranean Shipping Company (MSC).

**Tashreeq Smith** matriculated in 2017. Now studying at Northlink TVET College in preparation for tertiary education in marine engineering.

**Bongane Mhlakoana** was awarded a GBOBABF bursary for tertiary maritime studies with the Sea Safety Training Group. Now employed as a student administrator with SSTG, while studying for her Masters Near Coastal Certificate.



*Tsoso Hanong*



*Zusiphe Mzotho*



*Nicky Mkhulisi*



*Mfundo Joseph*



*Lethabo Morovhi*



*Talisha Chetty*



*Archie Leeu*



*Keanon Daniels*



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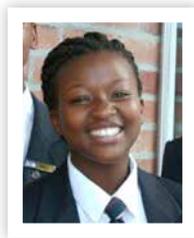
*Smangaliso Dlamini*



*Loyiso Jantjies*



*Nkazimlo Mtshixa*



*Likhona Tetyana*



*Soneze Ntingiso*



*Tashreeq Smith*



*Bongane Mhlakoana*



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### Current Bursars

Menelesi Mkhize	GBOBABF Master Yachts bursary for grade 12.
Ntsika James	GBOBABF MUR Shipping bursary for grade 12.
Avela May	GBOBABF Marine Data Solutions bursary for grade 12.
Shukri Kaffoor	GBOBABF bursary for grade 11.
Ludwe Ntshete	GBOBABF Speciality Metals bursary for grade 11.
Aphelele Ntshinka	GBOBABF Royal Cape Yacht Club bursary for grade 11.
Thapelo Moletsane	GBOBABF Royal Cape Yacht Club bursary for grade 11.



*Menelesi Mkhize*



*Ntsika James*



*Avela May*



*Shukri Kaffoor*



*Ludwe Ntshete*



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*Thapelo Moletsane*

### New Bursars

Buren van Wyk	GBOBABF National Sea Rescue Institute bursary for grade 10.
Owami Zuma	GBOBABF National Sea Rescue Institute bursary for Grade 10.
Nikita Adams	GBOBABF Fairship bursary for grade 10.
Sabelo Mthimkhulu	GBOBABF Halliday Family and Brian Cole bursary for grade 11.



*Buren van Wyk*



*Owami Zuma*



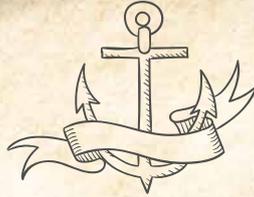
*Nikita Adams*



*Sabelo Mthimkhulu*



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### So the bursars say...

"Out here in Maputo, Mozambique, just noticed a logo from a crane of a company that bought me my very first laptop, DP WORLD. General Botha and Mr Jerry Hookins really paved my way, I am forever grateful."

*"Growing up, I was surrounded by negative role models and I wondered how I was going to make something of my life. This bursary has motivated me to work harder."*

This year has really been full of character building challenges, which I have been able to conquer with the support of GBOBA BF. No words can express my gratitude for the support, wisdom, knowledge and mentoring GBOBA BF has provided us at Lawhill Maritime Centre.

*"I would like to thank you for the outings, camps and equipment. I have enjoyed every single experience this association has brought to me and I promise to make you proud."*

*"I may not have shown you enough gratitude for what you have done for me, but sir, words cannot explain and only actions will tell."*

*"I would like to thank the Bursary Fund for helping me get closer to achieving my dreams. I am grateful for all your support during my time at SSTG. I have learned a lot and gained a lot of knowledge during my time there. Once again, thank you for supporting me. Your generosity truly made a difference in my life."*

With the help of the General Botha Old Boys' Association, I have gained experiences and learned things that many children out there, do not even know. I have been introduced to a whole new world, which I have grown fond of. I am truly honoured to be a bursary holder of this outstanding association, not forgetting the Royal Cape Yacht Club, for investing in me. I feel lucky to be a member of the General Botha family. I shall forever be grateful for everything you have done for me. I hope that the Bursary Fund will live on for a very long time so that other students will gain what I have.

*A mother's gratitude: "Thank you for exposing her to so many opportunities that enabled her to see a bigger world and enlarging her territory significantly. She has been exposed to things that I as a mother can only dream of and you certainly made a dream come true for a mother that only wants the best for her daughter."*



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**BEST LAWHILL MARITIME STUDENT 2017**

**CRITERIA FOR SATS *General Botha* PRIZE TO A STUDENT OF THE MARITIME STUDIES COURSE AT SIMON'S TOWN SCHOOL**

The criteria used to award this prize is modelled on similar criteria used to award a Gold Medal to a cadet on the original South African training ship, nautical college and merchant navy academy from 1922 to 1987.

**The prize is awarded to a student who:**

- Shows an interest in following a career within the spectrum of the South African maritime family;
- Has demonstrated perseverance in academic work;
- Has demonstrated complete integrity;
- Has been an enthusiastic participant in the practical components of the Maritime Studies course;
- Has an excellent rapport with his/her seniors, peers and juniors;
- Has impeccable manners and bearing, and
- Has passed the Maritime Studies Course.

This year the SATS *General Botha* prize was awarded to:

***Siphelele Ncube***

**Grade 12 maritime student**



*We seek to find and nurture those young South Africans who hear the wild, clear call of the running tide.*



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### 8. THE BURSARY AWARD PROCESS:

The bursary award process was changed this year. This innovation was identified as a priority during 2016. While the previous process served reasonably well for six years, it had the major disadvantage of concentrating all the related activity into the crowded year-end. In addition, dependence to date on the Lawhill Maritime Centre administration to provide a short list of potential bursars for selection has resulted in several students joining the programme with minimal or no general knowledge and understanding of the maritime world, nor any initial interest in the nautical curriculum that they are studying. This created a weak base from which to engage in the Fund's mentorship and outreach programme.

The revised process is more proactive and is intended to enhance the probability of success amongst our bursars. The eight principal elements are outlined as follows:

- Initiation of the process as early as the first school term each year.
- Interaction with institutions engaged in the development of young people who have self-selected participation in nautical related activities. These include the sea cadet corps, the sea scout movement, and the sail-training clubs and academies.
- Providing those institutions and the parents of potential applicants with comprehensive information about the opportunities arising from the Fund's programme.
- Encouraging such parents to apply for the admission of their children to the Lawhill Maritime Centre of Simon's Town School, or an equivalent school.
- Briefing the scholars on the importance of their mid-year examination results, at their current schools, in the admissions process.
- Developing a list of the applicants accepted by Lawhill, or its equivalent, and selecting a short-list for testing and interview, with added input from those working with the potential applicants in their various institutions. Briefing those short-listed that they will be considered for Fund bursaries subject to success in the final steps of the selection process and the availability of funding.
- Facilitating the aptitude, medical and eye-sight testing needed for later entry into tertiary maritime studies and the national cadet programme.
- Formally briefing and interviewing the qualified short-listed candidates by the Fund's selection panel, and approving of the final bursary awards within the Board members' mandate based on the Fund's short-term and medium-term budget.

This comprehensive process takes place progressively through the year, from about March to November.

The emphasis on previous engagement in nautical activities does not preclude the consideration of applicants from outside these institutions, it is simply an indicator of a nascent interest in seafaring and an early demonstration of enthusiasm for maritime studies.

All bursaries are awarded for one year, but they are renewable annually subject, however, to the satisfactory academic progress and behaviour of the bursar. In practice the Fund plans for a three-year commitment to each bursar at the outset, extending into tertiary education and mentoring of further career development where possible. Separate tertiary bursaries are also awarded for direct entry to maritime studies at that level.



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### 9. MENTORING AND OUTREACH:

The mentoring and outreach programme is a critical factor in the achievement of the Fund's mission and objectives, complementing and supplementing the academic curriculum followed by the bursars. While the primary focus is on the holistic development of the students during their secondary schooling period, it extends beyond that into their years of tertiary education and early careers. The selfless service of the mentors involved is extraordinary.

The increasing difficulty being experienced with accommodating extra-mural activities during the busy school year has forced the mentoring committee to reschedule several aspects of the programme to make more use of weekends and holiday periods, while not neglecting any of the five key elements of the programme: regular private coaching interviews, field trips for the development of maritime general knowledge, personal skills development, extra-tutorial subject tuition, and the facilitation of workplace experience. This demands a very committed level of participation from the bursars throughout the year, but they seem to thrive on it. The periodic personal review interviews were held after school hours or on Saturday mornings during each term. The year-long extra-maths and extra-science classes for all grades were accommodated after normal school hours during the school week as usual and the annual intensive one-week residential tutoring session in mathematics and science was held during the mid-year holiday, as in previous years - all under the guidance of our untiring tutors. But this year an additional one-week slice of the holiday was utilized to integrate all the bursars into the mid-year Sea Cadet Corp training camp at their base *TS Woltemade*.

Despite some initial disquiet amongst our bursar group when suddenly exposed to the rigour and discipline of the *Woltemade's* shipboard atmosphere and discipline, they soon settled and gained a great deal of practical experience in shipboard routines, teamwork, leadership, discipline, boat-handling, service-related duties and ancillary skills such as firefighting and galley work. In addition, the bursar group, accompanied by some sea cadets, enjoyed a field trip to the harbour, including a guided technical tour of a major tug. It is indicative of the success of this overall exercise that all the grade 10 and grade 11 students volunteered for the 2018 camp. The relationship between the Sea Cadet Corps and the Fund has been strengthened greatly during 2017. The officers of the Corps are ideal role-models for our teenage bursars and are very experienced in handling the developmental issues of working with young adolescents. This is very satisfying; not only for the opportunities it creates for the bursars to acquire useful practical seamanship skills, but because it refocuses consciousness of the historical link between the Corps and the *General Botha*. The founding benefactor who bought the obsolete cruiser, HMS *Thames*, and refurbished it to be recommissioned as the SATS *General Botha*, Mr. TBF Davis, did so originally to provide a base for the Sea Cadet Corps in Cape Town. The role of the *General Botha* expanded well beyond just that subsequently, but the common heritage and legacy of youth development is being recognised and shared once more today. Mr Davis would be pleased. The value of this year's joint training exercise was reaffirmed by the funding received for it from SAIMI, with a promise to continue its sponsorship.

***“The students conducted themselves with impeccable manners throughout the various excursions. There was always a constant barrage of interesting questions.”***

***The chairman of the mentoring committee***



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Sea Cadet Corp training camp at their base TS Woltemade.





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A further major initiative during 2017 was the alignment of interest and activity between the Fund and the NSRI. This has resulted in an agreement to sign a formal memorandum of understanding between the two organisations in the new year. The alliance will enable the training of the Fund's bursars on the various certification courses run by the NSRI, beginning with a week-long residential induction course in January and continuing from there through weekend training work and distance-learning during the year. This will enhance enormously the opportunities for our bursars to obtain practical nautical insight and skills, become water-safe, and stimulate their excitement about seafaring. The leadership and service values of the NSRI are equally those of the Fund, and are considered essential to the development of appropriate personal values amongst the bursars. The Fund has undertaken to share its experience with mentoring and coaching to assist the NSRI to develop guidelines and training material covering best practice in these processes, to be used nation-wide. This will be a joint project during 2018.



The NSRI is sponsoring two Fund bursars in 2018.



  
**Sea Rescue**  
NATIONAL SEA RESCUE INSTITUTE  
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**NATIONAL SEA RESCUE INSTITUTE (NSRI) MEDIA RELEASE:**  
**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**  
**SEA RESCUE – NATIONAL**  
**SEA RESCUE – NATIONAL – Saturday, 10th March: Strategic Alliance**  
**between NSRI and S.A.T.S (South African Training Ship) General**  
**Botha Old Boys Association Bursary Fund supported by SAIMI (South**  
**African International Maritime Institute).**



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Marine Inspirations (MI) arranged sponsorship for two pairs of Lawhill students, including two Fund bursars, to sail in super-yachts in Palma, Spain, again this year. The Fund supports these marvellous events by ensuring that the students are equipped appropriately for their travels. Not only are these international trips valuable motivational and developmental life experiences, but the sailing is an intensive training exercise in seamanship with world-class sailors. In addition, the students benefit from vessel tours and technical briefings on all aspects of shipyard work, equipment design and naval architecture – a valuable adjunct to their school studies. That these young people are fine ambassadors for what we are all endeavouring to achieve is illustrated by the many good reports received about their enthusiasm and deportment.

The sail-training yacht Homero, donated to Lawhill through the fund-raising of MI, supported by the Fund, was launched and handed over to the Lawhill Board members in April. This yacht will allow deep water sailing to be incorporated into the activities of Lawhill, enabling all students to get out onto blue water. Our bursars have been active in the leadership of student work to prepare the yacht for its future role in the new year. A commemorative plaque has been fitted to the yacht's bulkhead to mark its link to the GBOBA.

*'Man overboard!' exercises and small-boat handling in Palma, Spain.*



*Sail-training yacht, Homero*





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On the academic side of the mentoring programme, weaknesses in mathematics and science continue to disadvantage some of our bursars, despite the excellent extra-mural efforts of our tutors. Their contribution is invaluable, enabling many to make the grade, but the problem is profound. The issue has been identified as a priority for review with all concerned during 2018.

The outreach element of the programme is intended to create an awareness amongst the bursars that they are ambassadors of the Fund and are expected to bear themselves appropriately. It is very pleasing that compliments about their public deportment are received frequently. The core event is their participation at the GBOBA's annual memorial service at the GB memorial on the foreshore, where they participate fully by laying a wreath for the Lawhill Maritime Centre. This moving ceremony reinforces their consciousness of becoming part of a significant legacy of service, characterized by honour and duty.

There was another poignant event when Capt. Tony Nicholas accompanied the grade 12 bursars to the funeral of the last GB "Old Salt" to sail on the barque *Lawhill*, Bill Damerell. On arrival they were asked by Bill's family to act with Tony and GBOB Brad Wallace-Bradley as pall-bearers and guard of honour. They performed that duty splendidly.

*GBOBA annual memorial service*



*Sharing an historical heritage and values*



*Grade 12 tutoring*





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### 10. BOARD ACTIVITIES:

While the governing, Governing Board may seem to be large with fourteen members, it is necessary to ensure future sustainability and continuity with an aging membership and to ensure an effective quorum in the absence of several of the younger members currently serving at sea. The Board has worked well in 2017, meeting all the requirements of best practice for sound corporate governance. In addition to their oversight roles, individual board members play key roles in the many activities that make up the Fund's annual programme of work.

All board members give their services freely as a donation to the Fund.

The progressively increasing volume and reach of the Fund's work has increased the related administrative workload immensely. This has been relieved, to an extent, by the establishment of a part-time secretariat, together with the re-drafting of the Fund's constitution creating a formalization of the organisational structure with a governing board, an executive committee and several activity-focused committees. This allows for an increased delegation of decision-making and responsiveness. It has, however triggered an ongoing overhaul of communication, data capture, archiving, and information retrieval processes. The team is very conscious of the risk of over-bureaucratization and is making maximum use of technology to avoid that pitfall.

Having two Board members resident in Durban has enabled the development of a local committee to mentor Durban-based bursars and to liaise with other key stakeholders. It is intended that this will be strengthened by co-operation with the Durban branch of the GBOBA.

One of the key management tasks of the Board is to track the professional progress of ex-bursars well into their future careers, to measure the Fund's success in achieving its mission and objectives.

Two information pamphlets developed in 2016 have proved to be valuable for promoting the work of the Fund to prospective stakeholders, and have been distributed widely. They are available in different formats to facilitate distribution and are available on request. They are still current but will be updated during 2018.

Of significant concern to the Board as it moves into 2018 are:

1. The deficiencies in mathematics and science education that handicap our bursars throughout the Fund's programme, and
2. The slow placement of our bursars at sea when they enter the National Cadet Programme, and the demotivating extended idle periods that result.

Both these issues will be reviewed during next year.

The Board would be very pleased to receive your feedback on any matter arising from this report.



*Our vision is of South African ships with South African crews, carrying South African trade goods along all the sea lanes of the world, flying the South African flag, once more.*



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### 11. FUNDRAISING AND FINANCIAL PLANNING:

The Finance Committee's objectives for expenditure and sustainability remained unchanged this year, as follows:

1. Service of all bursary commitments.
2. Maintenance of a sound financial reserve.
3. Adequate funding of mentoring and outreach activities.
4. Continuation of extra-tutorial coaching, with emphasis on mathematics and science.
5. Limitation of overhead expenses to a part-time secretariat and other essential services.
6. Promotion of corporate and private named scholarships.
7. Maintenance of the ongoing commitment of donors and sponsors through regular engagement and communication.
8. Underwriting of fundraising events.

The Fund continued to benefit from the enthusiastic support from its donors and sponsors during 2017. While this is essential for the sustainability of the Fund's work, the Committee is fully aware that it cannot simply depend on this goodwill - hence the continued focus on promotion, communication and fundraising.





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## SATS *General Botha* OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION BURSARY FUND

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The concept of naming the Fund as a beneficiary in a will continues to be promoted. This is a popular approach in many societies, frequently implemented through endowments to educational institutions, etc. A standard codicil is appended to this report for the consideration of potential benefactors.

The previously successful e-auctions of collectable maritime items were not repeated this year, for want of any donated items for sale. These auctions are both financially rewarding for the Fund and fun. There is cash in the attic, so please give it some thought!

The annual golf day was a great success again this year, and continues to be the principal fundraising event of the Fund's calendar. The generosity of the principal sponsor, Fendercare Marine, and the hole and prize sponsors, combined with the extraordinary work of the golf day committee and their support team to make it a memorable day. The event is always attended by a group of Lawhill students, providing an opportunity for participants to meet with the beneficiaries of their contributions, and to hear how their generosity is transforming young lives. In addition, the students get first-hand insight into the active benevolence that creates and sustains their life-changing opportunities. The golf day is an essential source of support for the Fund's work and great fun for the participants – long may it continue!

Another innovative feature has been the alignment of the developmental work of the Fund with the transformational work being done by SAIMI within the South African maritime industry. This has resulted in SAIMI funding several of the Fund's training events during the period under review. It is anticipated that this valuable collaboration will continue.

The national movement towards free tertiary education for some students is being followed closely by the board members. Many of our bursars could benefit, with significant advantage for the Fund's long-term financial planning.

With the significant growth of the long-term budget, fundraising has inevitably become a major issue for the trustees, dictating that the formalization of a fundraising committee be addressed as a priority during 2018.

### *Individual and family scholarships*

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Halliday Family. Philip Baum. Captain Steve Ray.

### *Corporate Scholarship Donors*

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## FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

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### THE SATS *General Botha* OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION BURSARY FUND

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For the ten months ended 31st December 2017.

The reports and statements set out below comprise the annual financial statements presented to executive committee members:

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**S.A.T.S. GENERAL BOTHA OLD BOYS ASSOCIATION BURSARY FUND**  
**PBO Exemption No 930 037 633**  
**COMPILATION REPORT OF THE ACCOUNTING OFFICER**  
**for the period ended 31 December 2017**

The Executive Committee members are responsible for the maintenance of adequate accounting records and the preparation and integrity of the financial statements and related information.

The Executive Committee members are also responsible for the association's systems of internal financial control. These are designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance as to the reliability of the financial statements, and the adequately safeguard, verify and maintain accountability of assets, and to prevent and detect misstatement and loss. Nothing has come to the attention of the Executive Committee members to indicate that any material breakdown in the functioning of these controls, procedures and systems has occurred during the year under review.

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis, since the Executive Committee members have every reason to believe that the association has adequate resources in place to continue in operation for the foreseeable future.

The financial statements which appear on pages 4 to 6 were approved by the Executive Committee members and are signed on their behalf by:

Executive Committee member

Executive Committee member

1/03/2018.

Date



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**COMPILATION REPORT OF THE ACCOUNTING OFFICER**  
**for the period ended 31 December 2017**

I have performed the duties of accounting officer to S.A.T.S. General Botha Old Boys Association Bursary Fund for the year ended 28 February 2017 as required by Section 17(2) of the Non Profit Organisations Act of 1997.

I have determined that the financial statements are in agreement with the accounting records and have done so by adopting such procedures and conducting such enquiries as I consider necessary in the circumstances. I have also reviewed the accounting policies which have been represented to me as having been applied in the preparation of the annual financial statements and I consider that they are appropriate to the business.

I have determined that the organisation has complied with the provisions of the Non Profit Organisations Act of 1997 with regard to financial matters.

I have not audited these financial statements. No audit is required in terms of the Non Profit Organisations Act of 1997.

  
G A BUCHHOLTZ B. Comm. (Hons) C.A. (S.A.)

Cape Town  
May 2018



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**COMPILATION REPORT OF THE ACCOUNTING OFFICER**  
**for the period ended 31 December 2017**

	Note	December 2017 R	February 2017 R
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Current assets		810 777	756 183
Bank balances		810 777	756 183
<b>Total Assets</b>		810 777	756 183
<b>EQUITY AND LIABILITIES</b>			
Capital and reserves		372 526	320 523
Accumulated funds		294 343	246 366
Maintenance reserve	2	78 183	74 157
Current liabilities		438 251	435 660
Trade and other payables	3	438 251	435 660
<b>Total Equity and Liabilities</b>		810 777	756 183



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	Note	December 2017 R	February 2017 R
<b>Revenue</b>		777 696	841 275
Donations received	4	733 822	797 571
Interest - Funds on deposit		43 874	43 704
<b>Expenditure</b>		725 693	859 664
Accounting fees		4 104	7 503
Administration charges		39 617	12 000
Bank charges		2 134	1 885
BBBEE expenses		-	1 083
Bursary fee expenses		470 008	740 995
Other student expenses		192 033	77 282
Printing and stationery		17 797	18 916
<b>Net (deficit) / surplus for the year</b>		52 003	(18 389)
Transfer to reserve for boat maintenance	2	(4 026)	(74 157)
Retained surplus at beginning of year		246 366	338 912
<b>Retained surplus at end of year</b>		<b>294 343</b>	<b>246 366</b>



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**S.A.T.S. GENERAL BOTHA OLD BOYS ASSOCIATION BURSARY FUND**  
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**for the period ended 31 December 2017**

	December 2017 R	February 2017 R
<b>1. Year end and reporting period</b>		
The year end of the fund was changed to 31 December to align the fund to the academic year for bursary allocations.		
The reporting period is a 10 month period from 1 March to 31 December to accommodate the change.		
<b>2. Maintenance reserve</b>	78 183	74 157
This reserve has been created for the maintenance of the boat "Homero" which was purchased and donated to the Lawhill Maritime Academy from the fundraising done by Marine Inspirations. This includes financial support to students who get invited to travel to Spain for practical education and training.		
<b>3. Accounts payable</b>		
Bursaries committed 2017 not previously raised	438 251	435 660
	<u>438 251</u>	<u>435 660</u>
<b>4. Donations received</b>		
Donations to bursary fund	527 064	532 643
Fund raising activities	202 732	190 771
Marine Inspirations	4 026	74 157
	<u>733 822</u>	<u>797 571</u>



SATS *General Botha* OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION BURSARY FUND

## ADDENDUM – STANDARD CODICIL FOR WILLS

S.A.T.S General Botha Old Boys Association Bursary Fund  
PBO Exemption No 930 037 633

### CODICIL

**Relating to a fixed or an annual sum (donation) from my estate**

I, the undersigned \_\_\_\_\_ (Full names)

Declare the following to be a codicil to my Will.

1. I bequeath the sum of R \_\_\_\_\_  
(In words) \_\_\_\_\_
2. To the S.A.T.S. General Botha Old Boys Association Bursary Fund.
3. I confirm the terms of my Will in all other respects.

IN WITNESS whereof I have hereunto set my hand at \_\_\_\_\_(place)

on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of ..... (month) 20....(year), in the presence of the subscribing witnesses, I, the Testator, and the said witnesses all being present together at the same time and signing our names in the presence of one another.

Signed ..... (Testator)

#### AS WITNESSED:

1. ....
2. ....

This is a confidential document to be handed to your attorney for safe keeping with your will.

Should you wish to inform the SATS GBOBA Bursary Fund of your decision to leave a legacy (you do not need to tell us the amount) please would you write or send a copy of this Codicil to us at No 1 El Meadows, Wren Way, Meadowridge, 7806. Rep of South Africa or email it Keith Burchell [keithhburchell@gmail.com](mailto:keithhburchell@gmail.com) or the treasurer Neil Lawson [neil@lawson.co.za](mailto:neil@lawson.co.za)



SATS General Botha OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION BURSARY FUND

BEEE STATUS CERTIFICATE



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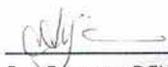
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## ADDENDUM – FUND CONTACT AND BANKING DETAILS

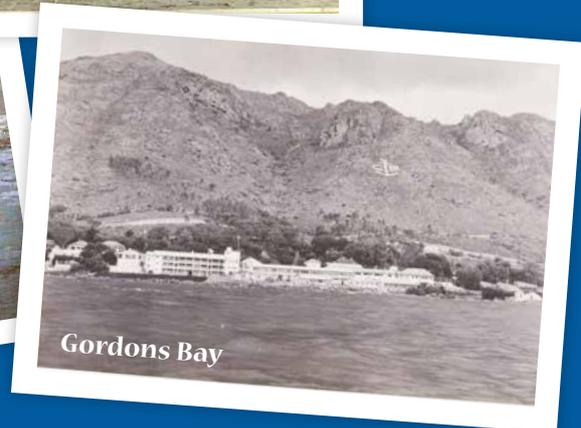
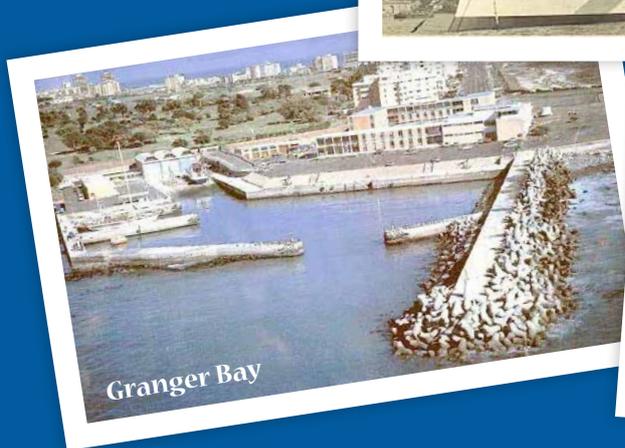
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Paul Semark	Vice Chairman	021 553 3988   082 857 7355	p.semark@telkomsa.net
Neil Lawson	Treasurer	021 712 5950   083 6555 950	neil@lawson.co.za
Tony Nicholas	Member	021 788 5957   082 555 2877	cptchairman@generalbotha.co.za

**Bursary Fund banking details.**

SATS *General Botha* Old Boys' Association Bursary Fund  
Nedbank, Constantia  
Branch code 101-109  
Account number 10111 33164  
Swift Code (foreign Transfers) NEDS ZA JJ



*“If the founding board members of the SATS General Botha could survey, with us, the history of their initiative, they would find nothing surprising in it. They knew that the Bothie would be a pilot-project for the development of a modern South African maritime industry. They decreed it, and their cadets believed it and did it. Human confidence in such an historical dynamic, if it is strong and tenacious enough, is a force in itself – a force that pushes on the hinge of events and moves them. Bothie Boys have believed that they have a special legacy with such unanimity and passion, and have done so over so long a span, that they do. They do indeed have a principal role – because they wrote it for themselves. Therein lies the key to our story. That is why The Legend lives on!”*

*Tony Nicholas*

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