



THE S.A.T.S *General Botha* OLD BOYS'  
ASSOCIATION **BURSARY FUND**

# 2022 ANNUAL REPORT





The brief history of maritime training at the South African Training Ship *General Botha*.  
1920 - 2022

# TIMELINE

LMC's three year school programme of maritime studies complements the schools Maths, Science and language subjects and so young South Africans can once again finish their schooling with a nautical orientation and so follow careers of their choice hopefully in the community of seafaring – our proud heritage.



## 2022

In 1995 a group of passionate marine enthusiasts started the Lawhill Maritime Centre (LMC) linked to the Simon's Town School, so back to the roots from which the ship was once moored.



## 2005

2005 Cape Technikon changes to Cape Peninsular University of Technology.

## 1990

1990 SAMNA General Botha handed over to Cape Technikon.



## 1966

In March 1966 cadets from the SANC General Botha moved from Gordons Bay to a new building in Mouille Point (Granger Bay) and became an Academy (SAMNA).

## 1948

April 1948 cadets of the General Botha move to crash boat station in Gordons Bay.



## 1940

During World War 2 May 1940 cadets depart Ship – *General Botha* – for the sport field Redhill above Simon's Town.

## 1922

1922 - first cadets join the ship at anchor in Simon's Town close to dockyard. The ship, named after the Union's first Prime Minister, General Botha, was anchored in the protected waters of Simon's Town where about 150 cadets would undergo both navigation and seamanship education but also **discipline and Honour and Duty – the motto of the Old Boys' Association.**



## 1920

1920 - Mr TBF Davis donated an ex World War 1 cruiser - H.M.S. Thames to South Africa for the sole purpose to train young men for a career at sea in nautical training.

LEGEND LIVES ON

HONOUR & DUTY

South Africa's youth has been fortunate to choose maritime training from 1922 to the present day.

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BURSARY FUND



As the SATS *General Botha* Old Boys' Association Bursary Fund moves into 2023 we are proud to say in the past 11 years:

**45 STUDENTS HAVE BEEN SPONSORED**

and educated at Lawhill Maritime Centre (LMC) at Simon's Town School

**10 STUDENTS HAVE BEEN FUNDED**

for Maritime Tertiary Education

**2 MASTERS 6 OFFICERS**  
**2 CADETS** were funded

**122 LMC STUDENTS AND SEA CADETS**

have participated in learning on the water activities

**4 SAMSA SAILING DAY SKIPPERS**  
**5 CAT E MOTORBOAT SKIPPERS**

Students come from KwaZulu Natal, Free State, Eastern Cape and Western Cape

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# OVERVIEW

## MISSION

The S.A.T.S General Botha Old Boy's Association Bursary Fund (GBOBA BF) was initiated in April 2011 by Phil Wade after a visit by four S.A.T.S General Botha Old Boys Association (GBOBA) reunion groups, from the years 1951, 1961, 1971 and 1981, to the Lawhill Maritime Centre (LMC) 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 S.A.T.S 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 S.A.T.S General Botha Old Boys Association. The Fund has the following statement of objectives in its constitution: ►



## 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.

## 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. It was further amended in 2020.

The constitution is available to any interested parties on request.

## 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.

**BBBEE:** As defined by the Codes of Good Practice 100% of beneficiaries are black South Africans. (Independent Confirmation Report available on request.)

# FROM THE DESK OF THE CHAIRMAN | SIMON PEARSON

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## **The Bursary Fund has completed another successful year together in 2022 with good news and thankful bursary holders.**

This Fund is expanding its influence on young applicants across the country; also increasing our list of generous funders; always inspiring the youth both with their lifestyle at the Lawhill Maritime Centre and inculcating a deep love for the sea and the craft that they train on.

Our matric class of 2022 did well when considering they were the class of 2020 and struggled with the effect of the worldwide pandemic. One of our students got top marks in Maritime Studies in the Western Cape. We are very proud. Two of these students have registered with tertiary institution SAMTRA and will be recipients of our tertiary bursaries. A further Grade 12 bursary holder will also attend SAMTRA on a TK Foundation Bursary. They will all continue to be part of the Bursary Fund family and we wish them every success as they engage with higher education in 2023.

We will also be funding two students returning from sea who will be studying at the Cape Peninsular University of Technology (CPUT) to obtain their management level maritime qualifications (Chief Mate / Master) and one student completing her studies at Durban's University of Technology.

You are probably aware of the huge investment in financial terms of what we are doing at Lawhill and then also at SAMTRA, DUT, CPUT fees and associated costs. Added to this funding is the time and effort volunteers place in taking our scholars out onto False Bay in a range of boats both sail and motor. To Blackie Swart and his team, a huge thank you for this amazing commitment.

Less evident, but just as important, are the mentors engaging with the learners at the boarding house, on the water, and all the way through tertiary and even whilst at sea as cadets.

We have a committed and involved Board of 21 men and women. We operate with an active EXCO of nine members all totally involved with the ongoing challenges of running this Bursary Fund.

There are several well-run sub-committees attending to finance, mentoring, golf days, marketing and fundraising and last but certainly not least in 2022 sail and motorboat training.

The tradition of encouraging a love for the sea is being passed into new and deserving hands and I look forward as your chairman to another successful and well supported year ahead.

Thank you.



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**THALIA HOCK**  
General Manager

# THE BURSARY FUND TEAM

**2022 was a very productive year for the Bursary Fund as post Covid there were once again many exciting opportunities available and Bursary Fund recipients were able to attend some fantastic outings and events.**

Sail and Motor training for LMC students and Sea Cadets was particularly busy with great achievements. Of course, this all required coordination and unfortunately the Student Administrator post was vacant for some of the year which was challenging but luckily past Bursary Fund student Avela May assisted for a short period until he went back to sea. Mid-year past LMC learner Dana Retief assumed the role and soon settled into the Bursary Fund family.

During 2022 the Board and EXCO was affected by ill health. Chairman Simon Pearson sadly lost his beloved wife Anne after a short illness and Board member and SOMMSA representative Colin Flockhart passed away. The Bursary Fund is grateful for his years of service especially his support to the Tertiary Sub Committee. Other Board members were also gravely ill, but the Bursary Fund team members rose to these challenges and incredible support was provided to ensure that the ship continued to sail calmly through these stormy seas.

## STAFF



Thalia Hock  
**GENERAL  
MANAGER**



Dana Retief  
**STUDENT  
ADMINISTRATOR**

## LIFE GOVERNORS

Paul Semark, Derrick Russell,  
Danny Meyer, Neil Lawson

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



Simon Pearson  
**CHAIRMAN**



Dave Main  
**VICE CHAIRMAN**



Nomkhitha Mbele  
(Durban Branch)  
**OUTSIDE VICE CHAIRMAN**



June Williams  
**TREASURER**



Tony Nicholas  
**GBOBA CHAIRMAN**



Rob Gardner



Peter Coetzee



Dennis Henwood



Blackie Swart

## BOARD MEMBERS



Thembela Thaboshe



Yuna Dabideen



Yvette De Klerk



Aubrey Sosibo



Lloyd Merriman



Charles Kingon



Phil Wade



Keith Burchell



Koos Louw



Colin Flockhart



Tiaan Rabe



Mike Melly

# THE STUDENTS AND SPONSORS

MOVING INTO 2023

GRADE 10



RCYC

Lukhanyo Gqibinyanga



RCYC

Nomathamsanqa Mlaba

GRADE 11



Haggie Memorial Trust  
GBOBA Class of 1971

Anika Mtyelwa



Amanzi Wethu

Lwandile Mnyango



Marine Inspirations

Jordan Heyburg

GRADE 12



Liqhawe Mdoda



Thobeka Mavundla



Thandokuhle Nyawose



James Fisher  
Subtech



Afikamathemba Mabaso

Thank you to Hugo Attfield for the cover and student photos.

TERTIARY



MACS Shipping  
Newlands Rotary Club  
Marine Bursary Golf Day

South African Maritime Training Academy - OOW Course

Anele May



MACS Shipping  
Marine Bursary Golf Day

South African Maritime Training Academy - OOW Course

Nqobile Khuzwayo



Fairfield Chemical Carriers  
Themban Shipping  
Fendercare Marine

Third Year Durban University of Technology Diploma in Nautical Studies

Amanda Gasa



Fairfield Chemical Carriers  
Marine Bursary Golf Day

Maritime Studies S3 & S4  
Cape Peninsular University of Technology

Avela May



Fairfield Chemical Carriers  
Marine Bursary Golf Day

Maritime Studies S3 & S4  
Cape Peninsular University of Technology

Loyiso Jantjies

# MENTORING AND OUTREACH

**TONY NICHOLAS**

Chairman LMC Sub Committee

The Bursary Fund considers mentoring and outreach a crucial factor in preparing our bursary scholars for an exciting career in the maritime industry.

## “Nurturing Sea Fever”

Much emphasis is placed on perseverance and integrity, much along the lines of our training ship motto; Honour and Duty. The scholars respond positively to this approach and thus enhancing their experience in this important period.



Newcomers Lwandile, Anika and Jordan



Grade 12's with mentors Jon Klopper and Blackie Swart

We start the year with a meeting of all our grade 12, 11 and the new intake of grade 10 held at the South African Naval Museum in Simon's Town.

## INDUCTION

A perfect nautical ambience. At this meeting we explain the significance of the past influencing the future using visual aids, leaving the scholars wide eyed. This is followed by grade discussion groups with mentors and a tour of our training ship's exhibit in the museum. Lunch provides an opportunity for further convivial discussion.

## THE ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE

No sooner have the scholars settled into their new home they attend the association's Annual Memorial Service at our cenotaph in Cape Town. This being the centenary of the commissioning of the original training ship, a very special and poignant occasion. Learners Nqobile Khuzwayo and Alwande Sithole laid a wreath on behalf of Lawhill Maritime Centre in memory of those who died in the service of their country.





## FIELD TRIPS

**Another critical factor in the program are field trips to the industry.**

We were honoured to be hosted by Viking Life-Saving Equipment and Damen Shipyards, ably coordinated by Blue Cape. As the names implies the scholars were exposed to all facets of mandatory life saving equipment on board vessels and the use thereof, and then to the ship builder yard to witness a naval vessel under construction and to explore on board a newly launched offshore supply vessel. A fascinating and inspiring insight to the modern ships, their construction and technology.

Further field trips included a visit to Boatica Cape Town, a boating exhibition which left the scholars wide eyed of the opportunities in the industry.



"Trying out" Life saving equipment



Thandokuhle Nyawose experiences a newly built ship from Damen Shipyards



Intergenerational mentorship at Boatica. Bursary Fund General Manager Thalia Hock, Chairman Simon Pearson and Sail and Motor Sub Committee Chairman Petrus Swart together with LMC's Morgan Mangali and Liqhawe Mdo



## WORK SHADOW

**Job shadowing provides a valuable contribution to the scholars making an informed career decision setting their course for the future.**

This included legal firm Norton Rose Fulbright's maritime department hosting Alwande Sithole during which time he even attended a trial in progress. We are indebted to all the maritime industry companies that open their doors, and their hearts, to our scholars.

Malcolm Hartwell welcomes Alwande

# SWIMMING, SAILING AND MOTORBOAT TRAINING

## BLACKIE SWART

Chairman Motor and Sail Sub Committee

The year started with 22 Grade 10 learners volunteering for the Sail and Motor Programme. As time goes by, we are evolving and improving every year.



Mentors and Trainers - Wayne Beattie, Simon Pearson, Ian Hare, Blackie Swart, Digby Thomson, Dave Main and Guy Jamieson

## SWIMMING LESSONS AND PRE SEA-TRAINING

The first hurdle is to prepare everyone to be water safe. This was done by means of swimming lessons.

This is followed by completing the NSRI Personal Survival Techniques course which include the wet exercise by jumping in the water with full survival kit.



Pre Sea Training - forming a huddle



To become familiar with boats and the names of the numerous unfamiliar nautical terms, the participants also need to complete the Bravo Bravo small boat Skippers course online. Only then did we select teams and allow them on the water in the capable hands of Skippers Digby Thomson, Ian Hare and Wayne Beattie. On Friday afternoons and Saturday mornings the various teams practiced on the water under the tuition of our volunteer Skippers. Thank you to Lawhill Administrator Faye Kula that arranges and instructs the various teams when to report to their craft.

As usual funding was tight but thankfully we get support from SAMTRA for Radio Certificate courses and from SAMSAs when submitting the certificates. Specsavers in Simonstown gave us a nil invoice for eyesight certificates and Dr Cleeve Robinson assisted with medical certificates. The amount paperwork that is involved cannot be underestimated! Without the help of the False Bay Yacht Club that provides us with storage and the use of their slipway things would be very difficult. Thank you to Jackie Barnard of Sail Africa in Durban for assisting three Durban students to obtain their Day Skipper Certificates.



# MOTOR BOAT TRAINING

**SEAN DAY** | DIGBY THOMSON AND **SPERANZA** | IAN HARE

The Motor Program got off to a good start in 2022 with six Grade 12 students assigned to *Speranza* for above 9m motor training and 12 Grade 11 students assigned to *Sean Day* for below 9m motor training.



Training concentrated on getting the minimum 50 hours of skipper training under the belt for the Grade 11s on *Sean Day* and providing advanced training for the Grade 12s on *Speranza*.

Owing to the requirement for the Grade 12s to concentrate on their Matric studies in the second half of the year it was decided that they should be examined for their skipper's ticket before the end of the 2nd term in June. Not having had sufficient sea time on *Speranza* to be examined for an above 9m ticket it was decided to examine them for a below 9m Category E skipper's ticket. This required getting them back onto *Sean Day* for a few sessions to brush up on their tiller steer boat handling skills. By the time examination day came along each of the students had had over 70 hours of accumulated skipper training. The practical side of the examination went very well and all five of the matric students in the motor program qualified for the under 9m Cat E skipper's ticket on the weekend of 11/12 June 2022!

For those unaccustomed to boating skills, it is relevant that obtaining a skipper's ticket on a tiller steer boat is a lot more difficult for a beginner than obtaining the same ticket on a boat with a centre console steering position.

After the June holidays six of the 12 Grade 11s were selected for training on *Speranza* with the other six Grade 11s remaining on *Sean Day* for further training. By the end of

Alwande Sithole, Sylvino October, Siphosethu Libalele, Anele May and Xolisa Miggels proudly display their Cat E Motorboat licences.

the year most of the grade 11s had accumulated above 40 hours of skipper training in preparation for their skipper's ticket examinations in their Matric year in 2023.

It has been a real pleasure to watch the students grow from never having been on a boat to becoming quite expert in controlling a tiller steer boat and learning the many aspects of skipper's training including navigation, compasses, tides, collision avoidance regulations, lights and shapes, weather and meteorology not to mention, man overboard, anchoring, fire drill, buoy approaches and the many other aspects of practical boat handling. A lot to learn in a short space of time. My thanks go to Anele May who assisted me with training after qualifying with the other Matriculants in June and also to Guy Jamieson who assisted me a great deal and gave me a break from the constant Friday and Saturday training which takes place almost every weekend bar the school holidays.

*We are without a doubt nurturing sea fever in the youth!*



# SAIL TRAINING ON HOMERO

WAYNE  
BEATTIE

The sail training teams started the new year with enthusiasm and an eagerness to continue learning.

Extra excitement was the upcoming Competent Crew Sail Camp which was to be held onboard the Catamaran Aragon in Laaiplek during the first school break. Eight sailors were selected for this camp and a great learning opportunity was had by all as well as gaining sea time. In the June school holidays, a fantastic milestone was reached for the sail programme. Four students were selected for and obtained their Sail Day Skipper Qualifications. This was the culmination of two and a half years of sail training and proved that we can achieve what we set out to do at the inception of this programme. This also marked the point at which the Grade 12's would leave the programme to concentrate on their final Matric studies and we would welcome the addition of four new Grade 10 students. Special thanks to Evert Groenewald for giving up his Saturday mornings to help me with the skippering.



# Marine Inspirations



Phil Wade

## PHIL WADE

The Bursary Fund was initiated by the Class of 60/61 and others after a visit to Lawhill in 2011 during their 50 years class reunion. The Bursary Fund became a great success, but we saw that while the kids were being taught all the correct nautical subjects in the classroom they were not getting any practical experience, especially on the water.

When I shared this concern with another yacht captain in 2014 we decided to bring some the students across to Mallorca where they would live aboard a 24-meter Gaff Rigged schooner built in 1930



The two of us personally sponsored the first two kids to fly over and thus **Marine Inspirations** was born. The kids would spend between 10 days and two weeks on board during which time they were given hands on sailing experience, voyage planning and anchoring, as well as swimming. In between times they were taken on visits on other super yachts, engineering shops, shipyards, sailmakers, yacht designers and yacht management companies.

This proved to be such a life changing experience for the lucky ones that it was then decided to start a sailing program back in False Bay which kicked off with the donation of an L26 sailboat by the Caimari family from Mallorca. Unfortunately, the trips to Mallorca have not been possible for the past three years due to Covid but it is hoped to restart them again in October 2023.

Marine Inspirations has assisted LMC student Lutho Thomas to successfully enter the superyacht industry and now in turn he has helped Jonoel Meyer into the industry. They have all followed the Marine Inspirations example and are now giving back to change the lives of other young people.

LMC Grade 12 Sylvino October who gained his Category E Motorboat licence through the Bursary Funds Sail and Motor program was sponsored by Marine Inspirations to complete courses and prepare him for his entry into the superyacht industry in 2023.



Sylvino October arrives in Spain

**One of the highlights of 2022 was being part of the excitement of the visit of the yacht Maiden.** Marine Inspirations funded LMC student Nqobile Khuzwayo was selected to do a leg from Senegal to Cape Town as part of the Maiden crew along with another young lady from Sail Africa.

The Maiden Factor Foundation was initiated by Dame Tracy Edwards who skippered the first all-female crew in the 1989 Whitbread Round the World Yacht Race and is aimed at empowering women in sailing and raising money for girls education. This was truly a life changing experience for someone from the townships of KwaZulu Natal as you can imagine.



Nqobile Khuzwayo with Phil Wade



# PAST STUDENTS

## A FEW PAST STUDENT STORIES:

The Bursary Fund is proud to report that past students are climbing the maritime ranks with two Masters, six Officers of the Watch and two Cadets while others are making their way in other aspects of the maritime industry or alternative careers.



**Avela May  
(LMC Matric 2018, SSTG 2019, CPUT 2023)**

"I am definitely lucky to say I have experienced mentorship at school level and also whilst I was at sea having sailed with an Old Salt (Capt Mike Melly) and if there is one fundamental thing I learnt it's that we all have a part to play in this journey, yes your journey is as an individual and of those still to come, so always be willing to mentor.

I am currently finishing off my Studies at CPUT (S3 & S4) and recently obtained my SAMSA Certificate of Competency, I can only be grateful for the support and encouragement I received from the Bursary Fund, the mentors and the sponsors none of this would have been possible without their assistance. I am truly excited for what the future holds, not so long ago I was at LMC which comes to show, time flies you just need to make the most of it.

## MOVING INTO 2023



**Captain Zuziphe Mzotho (LMC Matric 2013). The first female student funded via the Bursary Fund to attend LMC is now a Master.**

"I will forever be grateful for the GBOBA bursary that I received when I was in Grade 11 at LMC. It was more than just a bursary, we also received mentorship and got exposed to so many amazing maritime related careers. For my tertiary studies I went to CPUT for S1 to S4, then I did my cadetship at Transnet up until I received my 1st ticket as a Class 3 Competent Watch Keeper (3rd Mate). At the end of 2022 I qualified for my Master Port Ops Competency from SAMSA and I couldn't be more excited. The old boys really did change my life!



**Ludwe Nteshte  
(LMC Matric 2019)**



"After I matriculated, I was offered a Learnership at Oceana Group Limited as an IT Support Apprentice. Being at the company

was challenging taking into consideration that I had no IT experience but I was under good management and had great colleagues who trained me throughout my first year. Due to Covid, I was only able to start with my official theory training in 2021 and gained two International recognized certificates. I then continued to work and apply my knowledge where possible as an IT Support Apprentice.

In May of 2022, my contract ended with the Oceana. For 2 months I did my CompTIA Security+ and CCNA (Cisco). I was then fortunate enough to get a role at Computacenter SA as a Junior First Line Analyst where I would be providing IT support to people in UK, USA, Canada etc. Computacenter support large corporate companies around the world. I am currently working for a company that has a global footprint within the IT sector. And there is guaranteed growth for me.



**A FEW PAST STUDENT STORIES:**  
*continued*



**Nikita Adams (LMC Matric 2020)**

“You never know that you are living one of your dreams until you become silent in the moment and

think about how far you’ve come. Two years into the shipping industry and I have worked in four different positions in two different companies (due to a merger).

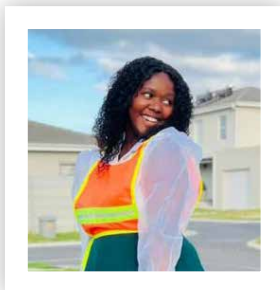
I am currently with Hapag Lloyd as an Export Dispute Co-ordinator and I am beyond glad for the exposure within my different roles to exceed in this one. My career has treating me with fair winds! I have also been active at the *T.S Woltemade* Sea Cadets assisting with an extra curriculum sailing program. My responsibilities and willingness to succeed has been nurtured with my time at LMC. Thank you GBOBA Bursary Fund.

**Upwards and onwards!**



**Siphosethu Libalele (LMC Matric 2022)**

Siphosethu was funded by the Sail and Motor program to complete her Category E Motorboat licence. She spent many hours on



Speranza with Ian Hare whose gentle mentorship was a turning point in her life. She kept in touch with the Bursary Fund as she was unemployed and not studying so when we were advised of a learnership opportunity at Fairship we connected her with the company.

“My name is Siphosethu Libalele, a 20 years old young lady from the Eastern Cape in a small town called Butterworth. I went to school at Simon’s Town School - Lawhill Maritime Centre and I am currently in a learnership as a Port Operation Agent at Fairship SA. I did motorboat training as a sport that became my hobby. With a full support from the General Botha Old Boys Bursary Fund, I managed to obtain a skipper’s license in 2022. Today I am at Fairship SA because of the love and support I got from the Bursary Fund.

**The Bursary Fund is not only uplifting the lives of the students we fund for their studies but also those participating in the Sail and Motor Program.**

# DURBAN BRANCH

**NOMKHITHA MBELE**

Chairman Durban Sub Committee

**Winner of the 2022 Imbokodo Best Woman in Maritime Business**

The highlight of 2022 was the inaugural Durban Golf Day held at Mount Edgecombe Golf Course. Sponsorship by Grindrod Shipping ensured that the day was a great success. Thank you to everyone who worked hard to make this a memorable event on the Durban Maritime calendar. Past student Menelisi Mkhize’s rousing speech to prizegiving guests detailing how the Bursary Fund changed his life through enabling him to attend LMC, complete tertiary education and secure him a cadetship berth, helped secure sponsorship for the 2023 Marine Bursary Golf Day.



eThekweni Maritime Cluster were proud participants on the day



Archer Aviation’s Four Ball – Rajen Dandekar, Stuart Low, Amith Sinath and Oliver Peacock



# 2022 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

## STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

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 adequately safeguard, verify and maintain accountability of assets, and 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.

Chairman

Executive Committee member

Date



**S.A.T.S General Botha  
OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION BURSARY FUND**

## **COMPILATION REPORT OF THE ACCOUNTING OFFICER FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

I have performed the duties of accounting officer to S.A.T.S. General Botha Old Boys Association Bursary Fund for the year ended 31 December 2022 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.)**  
SAICA Membership Number 00118553





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## BALANCE SHEET

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Note	2022 R	2021 R
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>Current assets</b>		1,505,783	1,354,632
Bank balances	1	1,505,783	1,354,632
<b>Total Assets</b>		1,505,783	1,354,632
<b>EQUITY AND LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>Capital and reserves</b>		1,505,783	928,632
Accumulated funds		958,283	630,017
Maintenance reserve	2	32,000	32,000
Bursary reserve	3	515,500	266,615
<b>Current liabilities</b>		-	426,000
Trade and other payables	4	-	426,000
<b>Total Equity and Liabilities</b>		1,505,783	1,354,632
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## INCOME STATEMENT

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Note	2022 R	2021 R
<b>Revenue</b>		1,967,787	1,804,089
Donations received	5	1,904,074	1,766,122
Interest - Funds on deposit		63,713	37,967
<b>Expenditure</b>		1,390,636	1,752,193
Administration expenses	6	479,728	421,572
Special projects expenses	7	177,071	5,854
Tertiary and school related expenses	8	712,643	1,324,767
Marine Inspirations	8	21,194	-
<b>Net surplus for the year</b>		577,151	51,896
Transfer to/from reserves	10	(248,885)	-
Retained surplus at beginning of year		630,017	578,121
<b>Retained surplus at end of year</b>		958,283	630,017



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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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	2022 R	2021 R
<b>1. Bank balances</b>		
Nedbank Current account	94,139	102,671
Nedbank Current account - special projects	3,524	370,016
Nedbank Current account - marine inspirations	2,302	6,456
Nedbank just invest account	1,067,864	685,374
Nedbank just invest account - special projects	158,324	11,397
Nedbank just invest account - marine inspirations	179,630	178,718
	<u>1,505,783</u>	<u>1,354,632</u>
<b>2. Maintenance reserve</b>	<u>32,000</u>	<u>32,000</u>
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.		
<b>3. Bursary reserve</b>		
Opening balance	266,615	266,615
Funds received to fund 2023 bursaries	515,500	-
Prior year funds used	(266,615)	-
	<u>515,500</u>	<u>266,615</u>
This reserve has been created from specific donations to fund ongoing bursaries in future years.		
<b>4. Trade and other payables</b>		
Tuition fees payable	-	426,000
<b>5. Donations received</b>		
Donations to bursary fund	114,651	130,239
Donations to bursary reserve	-	8,000
Donations from student sponsors	736,308	851,025
Donations from corporate sponsors	586,382	339,134
Donations from PBO/NPO/GOV Sponsors	133,464	150,400
Fund raising activities	333,269	194,464
Marine Inspirations fund raising activities	-	92,860
	<u>1,904,074</u>	<u>1,766,122</u>
<b>6. Administration &amp; operational expenses</b>		
Accounting fees	5,400	5,000
GM & student administrator Honorarium	281,506	245,078
Bank charges	3,819	4,289
Computer and IT expenses	5,771	6,258
Financial administrator costs	15,169	-
Fundraising activity costs	100,506	75,103
Design and printing annual report	9,136	19,159
Marketing and advertising expenses	23,209	9,876
Meeting expenses	7,058	14,569
Office rent	25,500	30,000
Other administration expenses	1,773	9,004
Stationery, printing and courier	881	3,236
	<u>479,728</u>	<u>421,572</u>





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	2022	2021
	R	R
<b>7. Special projects expenses</b>		
Pre Sea training	852	-
Sailing camp	72,142	-
Sailing courses	70,355	-
Swimming training	9,017	5,854
Mentorship expenses	4,293	-
General administration	1,486	-
Motor expenses	11,526	-
Motor courses	7,400	-
	<u>177,071</u>	<u>5,854</u>
<b>8. Tertiary and school related expenses</b>		
Assessment and extra tuition	-	18,075
Boarding and tuition expenses	649,870	1,227,132
Emergency Aid relief fund	1,500	-
Eye sight testing and transport	914	-
Mentorship outings	4,553	7,167
Text books	815	2,188
Transport costs - holidays	54,991	70,205
	<u>712,643</u>	<u>1,324,767</u>
<b>9. Marine inspirations</b>		
Marine Inspirations - Homero / Sandpiper maintenance	10,687	-
Marine Inspirations - Student courses	10,507	-
	<u>21,194</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>10. Transfer (to) / from reserves</b>		
Transfer (to) bursary reserve	(515,500)	-
Transfer from bursary reserve	266,615	-
	<u>(248,885)</u>	<u>-</u>

# FUNDRAISING

**THALIA HOCK**

Chairman Fundraising and Marketing Sub Committee

The Bursary Fund continues to receive incredible support and despite the countries financial challenges managed to grow our income slightly thus enabling us to continue uplifting the lives of young South Africans.

**Thank you to everyone who has made this possible.**

Funders including Amanzi Wethu, NSRI and Haggie Memorial Trust enjoyed memorable visits to LMC.



NSRI visit to LMC. Wendy Bululu, Thandokuhle Nyawose, Thalia Hock, Thobeka Mavundla, Lilian Hendricks



Bravo Zulu to Chairman of the Old Boys' Association Captain Tony Nicholas and his Centenary Team for the two years of hard work that went into making the event the success that it was

It was an honour that the Bursary Fund was included in the Centenary celebrations of the South African Training Ship General Botha. The Old Boys' Association donated R70 000 to the Bursary Fund to mark this momentous year and sponsored a wonderful video.



The fantastic Fairship Team enjoying the hospitality at the MSC watering hole

The Fairship Marine Bursary Golf Day at Rondebosch Golf Club took place on a perfect summer's day. The Bursary Fund is very appreciative of the generous support of all the golfers and sponsors for this event. The success of the two Golf Days together with funding from Fairfield Chemical Carriers, Thembani Shipping, Fendercare Marine and Newlands Rotary Club has assisted the Bursary Fund to provide a record five Tertiary Bursaries for 2023!



LMC teacher Aubrey Sosibo enjoying good times with Grade 12's Gracia Pillay and Juvandre Williams enjoying the golf day

# LEAVE YOUR MARK LEAVE A LEGACY!

## ALISTAIR STRUTHERS LEGACY BURSARY

Alwande Sithole from Durban was funded for his three years at LMC by a scholarship in Alistair's honour.



Alistair Struthers (GB 1960/61) passed away in July 2019. He along with many others from that year group were instrumental in forming and supporting the initial founding of the Fund through either being founder Board Members, donors or supporters in many other

ways. Alistair living in Aberdeen, Scotland contributed substantially through annual donations to the fund from 2011 until he passed over the side. Alistair left his sea-going career as a Master after service at sea in Ellerman Lines, London and Overseas Freighters, Safmarine and finally as Master in Unicorn Lines. At the time that he retired he was a Regional Operations Manager for the UK Maritime and Coastguard Agency. A codicil to his will resulted in a legacy donation of R236 764. Alwande Sithole was the lucky recipient of the bursary that was created.

Moving into 2023 Alwande is now working at Sturrock Grindrod Maritime as part of the Operations Superintendent team. He writes: *"Being a part of Lawhill is most likely going to be highlight of my life. I got to meet new people and got exposure to many different opportunities within the maritime industry. The knowledge that absorbed during my time in Lawhill is helping me in my everyday working experience and I'm forever grateful.*

***Being a part of the General Botha Old Boys Association Bursary Fund was just truly a blessing, a bursary fund that not only cares about your academic performance but also your well-being is something you don't find easily, and for that the words honour and duty will forever be imprinted in my heart. Thank you."***

## CLIVE GIBSON TRUST

In 2020 notification was received that Clive Gibson (GB 1964) had left his entire estate to the Bursary Fund by creating a Trust of which the Bursary Fund will receive an amount of R50 000 per annum. This is gift will assist the Bursary Fund in the provision of Maritime Education to disadvantaged young South Africans.

**If you are considering a charity gift in your will, please consider supporting the future of the Bursary Fund and the young lives it uplifts, by completing the attached codicil.**



## S.A.T.S General Botha OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION BURSARY FUND

### ADDENDUM – STANDARD CODICIL FOR WILLS

#### 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 S.A.T.S GBOBA Bursary Fund of your decision to leave a legacy (you do not need to tell us the amount) please would you email a copy of this codicil to [gm@generalbotha.co.za](mailto:gm@generalbotha.co.za).





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