



# South African National Society

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Dear Members and Friends

In this newsletter I am able to report that SANS is back on track and members have some interesting meetings to enter in their diaries.

### 1. Report back on AGM

On Saturday 14 November, 40 members and friends attended the 2020 AGM at DLI headquarters. This year the event included the Act of Remembrance which was introduced by Graeme Fuller. It was made especially meaningful by the Last Post being beautifully played by KZNPO trumpeter Cathy Peacock. The Durban Caledonian Society Pipe Band also added to this special occasion.

We were entertained by singer Emma Farquharson accompanied by Calli Thomson. Both these entertainers are ladies of exceptional talent and after months of lockdown our spirits were lifted by their joyous music.



L-R: Emma Farquharson, Calli Thomson

Myra Boyes presented the financial report which shows SANS to be in a healthy position and we are indeed grateful to Myra for all her hard work.

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The 2020 committee were all available for re-election and we have two new members who were nominated and duly elected. This committee looks forward to planning an exciting year for our members.

The newly elected committee is

**President: Robert King**

**Chairman: Angela St George**

**Vice Chairman: Graeme Fuller**

**Treasurer: Myra Boyes**

**Secretary: Memory Coutts**

**Committee Members:**

**Steven Kotze; Mikhail Peppas; Johan van den Berg; Sanabelle Ebrahim;**

**James Greener; Jonathan Sampson**

## **2. Daphne Strutt Prize**

This year our prize winner is third year DUT fashion design student **Tatanya Thavar**. Tatanya was delighted with her book prize and the bursary. She hopes, in the future, to expand her current JARDA brand and see it become internationally recognised. A deserving recipient, we wish Tatanya a successful career in the world of fashion and design. Due to the lockdown we were only able to meet and present the book prize in October.



**L-R:** Angela St George (SANS Chair); Tatanya Thavar (2020 DS Prize Winner); Helen Smith (Acting Head, DUT Textiles and Fashion Department); Meena Bagwandin (3<sup>rd</sup> Year Fashion Coordinator)

## **3. December Meeting**

Robert King has kindly invited us to a garden party at his home King's Gowrie in Everton. There will be Christmas fare (mince pies etc) and savouries provided as well as tea, coffee, wine and juice.

Here are the details:

**Date:** Saturday 12 December

**Time:** 11h00

**RSVP:** [meboyes@saol.com](mailto:meboyes@saol.com)

There will be a limit on numbers attending so we ask that you **RSVP before 4 December 2020**.

There will be no charge for this meeting but if you need to renew your membership the 2021 subscription remains R130. Directions will be sent to those who are able to attend.

#### **4. January Meeting**

Our guest speaker in January will be Raymond Perrier, Director of the Denis Hurley Centre. Always dynamic and an excellent speaker, this is a talk not to be missed. Please diarise:

**Date:** Saturday 16 January 2021

**Time:** 9h30 for 10h00

**Venue:** Holy Family College, Convent Close, off Francois/Rick Turner Rd, Glenmore

**Fee:** R20 (members) R40 (visitors) incl refreshments

**RSVP:** [meboyes@saol.com](mailto:meboyes@saol.com)

Again as we need to keep a register, kindly RSVP before **8 January 2021**

We look forward to seeing you at both functions and thank you for your support and loyalty to SANS during this past year.

Best wishes

Sincerely

Angela St George

SANS: Chair