

# Next Generation Professoriate

## Newsletter #3, May 2017

Dear NGPers

Here is our third newsletter of 2017. It contains a bit of soccer, a bit of running and a bit of biography. In this newsletter I introduce six new(ish) members of the cohort. I am trying to make this newsletter a medium for communication as well as an instrument to develop a sense of identity and create friendly networks. I can do this best if you send me 'stuff' – so please do.

### Cape Town City v Bidvest Wits

19 April 2017



NGP at Cape Town Stadium

In the 1960s and 70s Cape Town City used to play at Hartleyvale, on the banks of the Liesbeek river. Some of the more aged members of the cohort can remember those times and even attended a game or two. But Cape Town City disappeared after the National Football League was disbanded in

1977. But, in 2016, Mpumalanga Black Aces (formerly Witbank Black Aces) were moved to Cape Town and became the new Cape Town City (CTC). Their home ground is the majestic Cape Town Stadium.

On 19 April CTC hosted Bidvest Wits, the Clever Boys. At the time, Cape Town City were top of the league, a solitary point above Wits who had two games in hand. It was a critical and much-anticipated clash. Five members of the cohort (Sylvia Bruinders, Anwar Jardine, Manya Mooya, Mantoa Motinyane-Masoko and Bob Osano) joined Robert Morrell and Nceba Lolwane to boost home support for CTC. Bob, a normally quiet and retiring man, proved to be a vocal supporter and a keen observer of the niceties of the slide-tackle. Manya Mooya has a piercing township whistle with faint coppers echoes of Zambia. Sylvia provided ambidextrous support as she pretended to play the piano. Anwar surveyed the scene with a faraway look in his eyes as though transported back to his childhood. Mantoa introduced herself to the cohort by proudly wearing her Kaizer Chiefs outfit. Her loyalties were and are shared by Nceba whose wish is for the time “when Kaizer Chiefs takes back what was repossessed by City some time back”. Showing his linguistic skills he added for good measure, “haak Vrystaat, Transvaal is ver”. Robert was informed by deafened colleagues that he had missed his vocation as a fog horn.

After conceding an early goal (a dubious penalty), CTC roared back to equalize with a header by Tshepo Gumede. And so the evening finished 1-1 with CTC still top of the log.

Go City!



Cape Town City equalizes.

## NGP at 2 Oceans



Here is **Freedom Gumedze** with his gorgeous family. Freedom completed his NINTH Ultra marathon, in 5hrs 38 mins. Well done, Freedom!

**Corrinne Shaw** completed her fifth 2 Oceans half marathon. She writes:

“I was inspired by the runners in 2012 who ran the race in pouring rain while I watched on tv from the comfort of home....I had friends doing that race as their first half marathon and I was impressed by their commitment. I was anti running but that Oceans event inspired me to start running ...my first race was the UCT 10km and I did my first two oceans half in 2013. My time this year was 2.02 and some seconds (which you can feature in the newsletter)...my fastest time for Oceans is 2.01. I enjoyed the race, and really enjoy the support offered by Capetonians along the way. I can do without the crush of runners walking at the top of Wynberg hill- while it's frustrating weaving through the crowds, this is fairly minor. The race is well organised and I love the fact that it finishes at UCT. I am not sure if I will attempt the ultra, but who knows.”

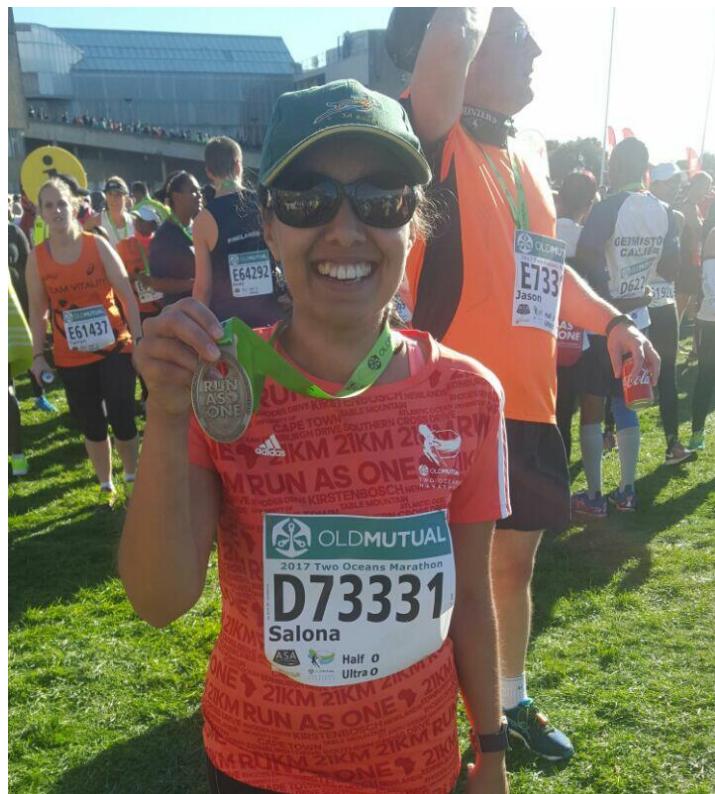


Our seasoned runner from North of the Limpopo, **Frank Matose**, completed his eighth half marathon in 2 hrs 11 mins. All the training at the NGP writing retreats is obviously paying off.



**Salona Lutchman** ran her debut 2 Oceans half marathon. Here are her reflections:

"I don't consider myself an athlete but I do love to run. I've been running since September last year. Running for me is meditation and therapy. I ran my first Two Oceans half marathon this year and loved every part of it (except for Southern f#!? Cross Drive. I'm still getting over that part...). My goal was to bypass the infamous sweepers and to finish before 3 hours. I was quite pleased with my final time - I came in at 02h48. Looking forward to the Knysna half marathon in July."



WELL DONE RUNNERS!

## Snippets

### Manya in Namibia



Manya was invited by the National Council for Higher Education (NCHE) of Namibia to act as Subject Expert as well as Chair of the Review Panel for the accreditation panel for the Bachelor of Land Administration programme at the Namibia University of Science and Technology (NUST). The NCHE is the statutory body responsible for accreditation of all higher education qualifications in Namibia. The Review Panel of 8 members consisted of international subject, quality assurance and curriculum experts. The task involved the review of the curriculum, policies, staffing and resources, among others. The outcome of the exercise was a recommendation to the NCHE on whether the programme should be accredited or not, a recommendation that determines whether NUST continues to run the programme or not.





**Joel Chigada** and his doctoral student, Mr Benedikt Hirschfelder, have had a paper accepted amongst the top 20 best papers for presentation at the European Marketing Academy (EMAC) in Netherlands. Both will be attending and presenting the paper during the 22-26 May, 2017 EMAC conference.

### **Mont Fleur Writing Retreat**

The first writing retreat of the year was held in February at Mont Fleur. Middle of Summer. Here is the brave band of attendees, some attending their first NGP writing retreat, others (the grizzled and gracious veterans) attending their fourth.



## Biographies

### Lydia Cairncross



I was born in Cape Town but my primary schooling was in Zimbabwe as my parents moved there in 1981 as excited young professionals hoping to contribute to a newly independent African country. In 1990 we returned to South Africa, and moved to Cape Town in 1994 for my undergraduate medical studies at UCT. I did my formative early medical training years in the Eastern Cape and during this time realised that, while I enjoyed many aspects of medicine, it was surgery that seemed to deliver the most immediate and visible impact on patient's lives. I also had a romantic notion of working as a surgeon in war zones and revolutionary frontlines. As it turns out, I completed my specialisation in general surgery and, through a series of serendipitous coincidences, found myself working in the breast and endocrine surgical unit at Groote Schuur which I now lead.

My work is a balance (sometimes!) between clinical duties, teaching and research. My clinical duties keep me busy in the out patients department, the wards and the operating theatre and my teaching includes teaching of undergraduate medical students, post graduate surgeons in training and surgical consultants sub specialising in breast and endocrine work. Most of my research work is in relation to breast cancer including both the public health aspects of pathways to diagnosis and treatment as well as collaborative work with scientists from a broad range of specialities.

I am a member of the People's Health Movement of South Africa, a network of health activists campaigning for the right to health by addressing socio-political, economic and health system inequalities. In South Africa this has translated into working, writing and campaigning around the strengths and weaknesses of the NHI proposal. I am also active at a number of levels within UCT in the broad movement for free decolonised higher education.

I am the mother of two wonderful, busy and eternally energetic children who keep me grounded literally and figuratively. In my spare time I read, occasionally write and promote breastfeeding in unlikely places both in theory and practice.

## Kurt Campbell



I am the youngest son to Lionel and Claudette Campbell who I like to think did a great job rearing me! I have a twin brother (Craig) and a younger sister (Nicole) who both studied at UCT, qualifying as a lawyer and teacher respectively. I am married Nikita (beautiful and patient in equal measure), and have a highly energetic son named Ezekiel (pictured in the photograph). My wife and son motivate me to work as hard as I can!

My late grandfather (Albert) is an enduring inspiration to me. Despite being forcibly removed from his family home during the dark days of apartheid and suffering many indignities on a daily basis, he maintained an incredibly positive attitude to life and a dauntingly stringent training regime to support his participation in the sports of weightlifting and boxing. His commitment to self-making



through pugilistic discipline despite a challenging political order still haunts my research today (more about this later).

I am currently based at the Michaelis School of Fine Art, as a Senior Lecturer with a specialism in New Media. I work as both a solo artist (producing work for public exhibition) and as an academic writer (producing scholarly texts for journals). Recent writing projects have been publishing in the *European Journal of English Studies* and Harvard University's *Transition*.

Noteworthy exhibitions include "Night Fighter" (2014) and "Boxing Ghosts" (2015) at the District Six Museum. These projects were largely concerned with the productive possibilities that early pugilists from Cape Town offer in thinking the limits of racial subjectivity and self-craft in contemporary society. I developed special tools for these projects using Augmented Reality software that allowed viewers to use their bodies and smartphones to navigate the archival content of the exhibition.

I hold a BAFA and P.G.C.E. from the University of Cape Town and a Masters degree (MAFA) from Stellenbosch University where I taught for four years before joining the Michaelis School of Fine Art. My PhD was completed at the Centre for Humanities Research (NRF Flagship on Critical Thought in African Humanities) at the University of the Western Cape. My thesis positions the writing of the blinded champion boxer Andrew Jephtha as an important contribution to Postcolonial and Disability Studies.

### **Salona Lutchman**



I am a senior lecturer in the Department of Public Law in the Faculty of Law. I am a mother to a seven year old lawyer/negotiator in training.

Born and raised in Isipingo (KZN), I completed my LLB at the University of KwaZulu Natal and thereafter worked at a law firm in Johannesburg. My journey into academia was accidental - I moved to Cape Town because I followed a boy (fortunately that was a good decision because he became my husband!). Upon moving to Cape Town, I decided to take a break from the corporate world and study further. Fortunately I was hired as a teaching and research assistant in the faculty of law at UCT - this is where my love for teaching began. I was awarded a scholarship and completed my LLM in International Legal Studies at NYU. This was a life changing experience for me and a very proud moment for my family. I was then offered a lectureship position at UCT in 2012.

I teach courses in the LLB program mainly within the sphere of international law, human rights and criminal justice. My main research interest is in Children's Rights - I am currently working on my PhD in this field.

I chose to become a lawyer because like a true idealist, I wanted to help people. I knew intuitively that law was where I was meant to be. My great grandfather wanted to become a lawyer in the year 1927. Due to the law at the time, he was refused entry into the University of Natal on the basis of his race. Despite this knowledge, he decided to fight. He applied to the Natal High Court requesting permission to be admitted as a candidate attorney. He ultimately lost the case and the judgment itself is about a page long. It's probably the most important judgment I have ever read. He knew he was fighting a losing battle but he decided to fight anyway. I never got to meet him but I eventually studied at the very same institution which denied him entry. Full circle."

## Lebogang Mateane



Lebogang Mateane is originally from Soweto, he completed his undergraduate degree – a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mathematics and Economics – at the University of the Witwatersrand, then progressed to complete his Honours and Masters degrees in Economics Science at the University of the Witwatersrand. During the second year of his Masters degree at the University of Witwatersrand, he got appointed as an Associate Lecturer for 18 months up until he went on to pursue a PhD in Economics in the US. Whilst in the US, Lebogang was studying at New School University and also took Graduate courses in Mathematics (Stochastic Calculus) at New York University's Courant Institute of Mathematical Sciences. He also took a PhD International Finance course at Columbia University through the Inter-Doctoral programme. Along the way, he gathered some lecturing experience in the US as an Adjunct lecturer teaching Econometrics to Final year students. Lebogang's research interest are Open Economy Macroeconomics, Econometrics and Portfolio Optimization Models. Lebogang is currently working as a Senior Lecturer at the University of Cape Town and predominantly teaches Masters and PhD students Macroeconomics and Growth



Theory. He also teaches first year/undergraduate students and convenes over the first year macroeconomics course which is offered in the first semester of each year.

On a personal note, Lebogang enjoys calisthenics and mixing it with some weightlifting exercises. Moreover, he also enjoys running and short high intensity running and hiking whether in Cape Town, or Paarl or Stellenbosch, combined with a bit of rock climbing. He is also a keen follower of rugby and enjoys watching rugby games because of the high intensity fused with cardio outcomes in rugby. Lebogang also enjoys cooking and trying new foods and also eating after outdoor activities. He has a broad array of interests and these also include following and reading about art because of the role that imagery plays in our daily lives, he loves exploring the outdoors and what nature has got on offer and also learning about other plant and animal species.

### **Mantoa Motinyane-Masoko**



Mantoa Motinyane-Masoko was born in the Free State near Bloemfontein, South Africa. She comes from a family of six children; Selloane (may her soul rest in peace), Mohapi, Pulane, Neo and Tlalane. She is the second youngest child. She grew up on a farm where her father (Teboho Motinyane) and mother (Dimakatso Motinyane) worked as farm labourers. Her father passed away in 1998 after a short illness. Her mother followed 12 years later. Although the times were tough at the farm, her parents' unconditional love, her grandmother's (Tlalane) wisdom as well as her siblings' support kept everyone going.

Mantoa's love for education was inspired by her father, who was considered very educated (he had a Junior Certificate; Grade 10) during his time. During the late 70's and early 80's the farm schools only went up to Std 5 (Grade 7), this meant that her parents had to find other schools beyond those grades. Her older siblings were often at boarding school, leaving her and her youngest sister at home. It is for this reason that her parents decided to move to the Eastern Cape where they would be able to own land. Her father then opened a Mechanical Workshop called Taung welding. It was during this time that Mantoa became very close to her father. He taught her almost everything that she knows. While other girls learned how to cook and look after the family, she was often seen in overalls crawling under a car, 'bleeding' brakes after they had been installed, revving a car to set timing, changing a flat tyre... This means she accompanied her father almost everywhere. The stories that her father used to recite to her are what shaped the path that she has taken in life, including her love of motorcycles and fancy cars.

Mantoa married Sello Smouse during her early years at University. Together they had three children, Naledi, Tlhodiso and Mapule. She often jokes about how each of her children represents a milestone. Naledi- the BA; Tlhodiso the HDE, and Mapule the PhD. As with any relationship, her first marriage ended when she returned from her studies in the USA. She is currently married to Quentine Masoko who is an Audio Engineer working for the Botswana Defence Force.

Dr Mantoa Motinyane-Masoko (Smouse) is currently a Senior Lecturer of African Languages and Linguistics. She received her MA and PhD from the University of Florida, in Gainesville, USA. Dr Motinyane-Masoko obtained her BA, HDE and Hons from UCT. Upon her return to South Africa, she took a position as the Head of the Language of Medicine Programme at UCT, where her interest in multilingualism and language issues became stronger. She is currently the Head of African Languages in the Faculty of Humanities. Dr Motinyane-Masoko has published a number of articles on child language development as well as multilingualism in the workplace. She is currently the Chairperson of the African Languages Association of Southern Africa, an NIHSS Catalytic Project leader, as well as serving on the Scientific Committee of the newly established South African Centre for Digital Language Resources (SADiLaR).

## Deano Stynder



Deano with his son, Peri.

I received my PhD in Archaeology from the University of Cape Town in 2006. At the time, I was living in France with my now ex-wife, who is French. After post-docking for a year at the University of Toulouse, we moved to South Africa in September 2007 when I was offered the position of Curator of Cainozoic Palaeontology at the Iziko South Africa Museum. I joined UCT in April 2010, the year that my son Peri was born. Since joining UCT, life happened. Peri now lives with his mom in Bordeaux and I've moved up the west coast to seek the sun and a quieter life. I've also grown as an educator, academic and scientist. I am now a Senior Lecturer in the Department of Archaeology, where I've managed to establish a research program that focuses on the generation of climatic and ecological data relevant to human evolution. To my relief, my funding situation has improved drastically and my post-graduate student cohort has increased. In 2016 the NRF awarded me a C1 rating, providing me with some peace of mind that maybe my research actually had some relevance. 😁.





Deano on an archaeological dig.

The Newsletter Editor invites contributions – especially short newsbytes that will be displayed under ‘Snippets’.

Concluding Joke

What’s the difference between a rat and a squirrel?

Answer: Marketing (with apologies and thanks to our members in the Marketing business)

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