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## **Our Vision:**

**To change lives by  
creating access to  
sail training voyages  
for young people from  
all backgrounds and  
with all abilities on  
the island of Ireland.**



**SAIL TRAINING  
IRELAND**

# **Annual Report 2016**

With thanks to  
our Patron  
**Michael D. Higgins,**  
**PRESIDENT**  
**OF IRELAND**

*Michael Higgins*



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## Our Sponsors

In 2016, 302 young people took part in Sail Training activities. We would like to thank our sponsors and supporters for their continued generosity.





## Chairman's Introduction

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to welcome you to Sail Training Ireland's annual report for 2016.

The charity has continued to grow, and during this year we have managed to provide sail training opportunities for an increased number of deserving young people from many different backgrounds, levels of ability and disability, helping them to overcome personal challenges, develop interpersonal skills and respect for others, as well as realising their potential in areas where they never thought possible.

During this past year, we have facilitated the placement of several refugee and immigrant trainees under the Safehaven voyage scheme, providing these young people with a wonderful opportunity to mix with other youngsters in an environment which promotes mutual respect for different cultures within our society.

We have continued to grow our relationships with different cities, ports and local authorities around the country, which has lead to placement of deserving trainees from these areas and assisted local youth development programmes. Our all-island vision has developed as a result of a very successful relationship with Belfast City Council where we have assisted them in placing trainees on sail training vessels.

We assisted Dublin Port Company to organise a very successful River Festival this year with a public turnout which far exceeded expectations, bringing the river Liffey to life with tall ships and other vessels. We have worked very closely with Dublin City and Port, Belfast City Council and Liverpool City Council to develop a 'Three Cities' festival, starting in 2017, which will provide opportunities for trainees to sail between these cities and experience different cultures.

Naturally, none of this would be possible without the very generous support of our sponsors and supporters, and they can be assured that their contributions have assisted many young people to engage in life-changing activities.

I must also thank my colleagues on the Board of Sail Training Ireland who give of their time and expertise on an entirely voluntary basis. I also wish to pay tribute to our wonderful office team headed by our CEO, Daragh, and his colleagues, Sara and Judy.



**Seamus McLoughlin, Chairman, Sail Training Ireland.**

## Who We Are

We are honoured to have as our Patron; Michael D. Higgins, PRESIDENT OF IRELAND.

## Board of Directors.

*Our Board of Directors is entirely voluntary*

**Seamus McLoughlin,**  
**Chairman**  
*Representative on  
International Council of  
Sail Training International*

Background as Marine Engineer, Marine Surveyor and a Port Operations Manager. Served as a member of Board of Asgard II (Coiste an Asgard) and was a founder member of Sail Training Ireland



**Ciarán Callan**  
**Vessel Operators'**  
*Representative on the Board.*

A Marine Engineer holding an LLM in Environmental Law he was a senior manager with Dublin Port for many years and now operates his own engineering, energy and environmental consultancy practice. Ciarán is a keen sailor and member of the National Yacht Club.



**Kalanne O'Leary**  
*Trustee of Sail Training  
International*

Kalanne is a solicitor and managing partner at O'Leary Arnold, a law practice located in the town of Skerries in North County Dublin, Ireland where she has practised for over 30 years. She was the founding chairman of Sail Training Ireland and a former director of Coiste an Asgard, the vessel operator for Asgard II, which was Ireland's national Sail Training vessel for thirty years. Kalanne was Sail Training International council member for Ireland until 2014 and is currently serving a three year term as a trustee of Sail Training International. In addition she was the chairman of the Trainee Working Group for Dublin Tall Ships 2012.



**Commodore Hugh Tully**

*FOCNS Flag Officer  
Commanding Naval Service*

Commodore Hugh Tully is from Dublin and has 36 years' service in the Defence Forces. Prior to his appointment as



FOCNS he was Officer Commanding Naval Operations Command for three years. Commodore Tully has held a broad range of appointments in the Naval Service. He was in charge of the Naval Service HR Section and Commanded Ireland's Flagship LÉ Eithne from 2006 to 2008.

Other appointments include Senior Staff officer and Officer in Charge of Planning and Policy, Naval HQ. He also spent two years as UN Military Observer with the United Nations Truce Supervisory Organisation (UNTSO) in Israel and Lebanon. He has previously commanded LÉ Aoife and LÉ Orla. Commodore Tully is a graduate of the Irish Command & Staff Course. He has received award medals for overseas service with UNIFIL (1986) and UNTSO (2003-2005).

**Grainne Arntz**  
*Jubilee Sailing Trust – Irish  
Branch, Chairman Disability  
Sub committee, Member  
Trainees sub committee*

Grainne became involved with STI through sailing with the Jubilee Sailing Trust and as a member of the Committee of their Irish Branch. While working as a teacher, promoted Sail Training in schools and organised Transition Year voyages. Currently chair of Disability Sub-Committee whose remit is to assist STI in developing strategies to raise awareness of the adventure of Sail Training and to establish a database of vessels which can facilitate disability.



**Bruce Lyster**  
*Chartered Accountant  
Chairman Finance Committee*

Fellow of Chartered Accountants Ireland, and former partner in Price Waterhouse Ireland and World Firm. Currently a member of the Audit Committee of the Irish Wheelchair Association and retired director of many Irish companies. Former Commodore of Royal St George Yacht Club and Commissioner of Irish Lights.



**Peter Crowley**

Chairman and Managing Director Crowley Services Ltd.. Past Admiral of Royal Cork Yacht Club and Former President Irish Sailing Association, ISAF accredited International Race Officer and RNLI Council Member.



**Muiris Shanahan**

*Irish Sailing Association (ISA)  
Representative to  
Sail Training Ireland*

Muiris (Mossy) Shanahan was appointed by the ISA to the Board of Sail Training Ireland. He has been involved in disabled sailing for many years and is a member of the Jubilee Sailing Trust Irish Branch. Retired Airline Pilot. Company Director. Member of Disability Sub Committee

**Bernice Sweeney**

*Northern Ireland Representative*

Former North/South and International Manager with the Youth Council for Northern Ireland, Bernice has extensive experience of managing and coordinating European and UK/Ireland youth programmes. Her career to date has involved working within the formal and non-formal education sectors both in Europe and Northern Ireland. Bernice is also a registered Child and Adolescent Psychotherapist.

**Brian Spain**

Brian recently retired from the position of Director at the Department of Defence where he had responsibility for a varied and wide brief. Over the last number of years he oversaw the placing of the contract and the building of three of the new ships for the Naval Service. Brian was also National Director of Civil Defence, Chairman of the Civil Defence Board and a member of the National Fire Services Management Board. During his career in the Department Brian was associated with the sail training scheme at various times and in fact sailed on both the Creidne and Asgard II.

**Ambassadors of Goodwill****Sean Flood**

*International Ambassador  
of Goodwill*

Director Sean A. Flood is an International Goodwill Ambassador for Sail Training International, a former Council member of the Irish Dinghy Racing Association, and the Irish Sailing Association, a former Director of Coiste an Asgard, former Country Representative Sail Training International, a founder Director of Sail Training Ireland, an international Irish sailing representative, a retired Irish Naval Reserve Officer and the Founder, Chairman / Director / CEO of the Chubb Ireland Security Group

**Marcus Connaughton**

*Sail Training Ireland  
Ambassador of Goodwill*

Marcus Connaughton is a veteran of the Irish record industry, writer, journalist and broadcaster during his twenty- nine years working with Raidió Telefís Éireann. Marcus compiles, presents and produces RTÉ Radio 1's weekly maritime radio programme SEASCAPES and is the author of "Rory Gallagher – His Life and Times" published by the Collins Press, and a collection celebrating 25 years of Seascapes, titled 'Sailing By' published by The Liffey Press. Marcus has presented and produced Seascapes for the past seven years, covering maritime pursuits throughout the island and around our coastline. He is proud to be Goodwill Ambassador with Sail Training Ireland.

**Company Officers****Daragh Sheridan**

*CEO*

Daragh took over from Michael as CEO of Sail Training Ireland in late 2016. Prior to this Daragh ran his own business for 12 years in the Leisure industry. This was preceded by a previous career in banking in Dublin and Australia. A keen, bordering on fanatical sailor.

**Sara Mason**

*Youth Programme  
Coordinator*

Sara joined the Sail Training Ireland team in May 2015. She sailed as a youth mentor in 2014 and instantly connected with what Sail Training Ireland are trying to achieve, with their emphasis on youth development. Her relevant experience includes teaching and facilitating adventure sports and adventure therapy programmes, with focus on young people from disadvantaged backgrounds and varying abilities. Sara hails from New Zealand, and during her 4 1/2 years in Ireland has completed a HND in Outdoor Adventure Management.

**Judy O'Beirne**

*Administrative Assistant*

Judy joined Sail Training Ireland in July 2016 on a part time basis. She is a lifelong sailor, having been aboard Asgard 2 as a Watch Leader, racing and volunteering as a Senior Instructor. Judy's background is Human Resources and Administration.



## What is Sail Training?

Sail Training is a fun and exciting adventure, which is designed to have a profound impact on the lives of participants. ‘Trainees’ take part in sailing voyages at sea on tall ships and large yachts, during which they become part of the working crew.

This experience provides an excellent environment for personal and social development. It is not so much learning to sail as learning from sailing, from the vessel, the sea and perhaps most importantly from yourself. It is a medium for education outside the classroom, a non-formal approach where the emphasis is on facilitating learning through experience. A trainee’s first voyage often proves to be a turning point in their lives.

## What happens on board?

Under the guidance of the professional crew and youth leaders, trainees from different backgrounds and abilities are involved in operating every part of the vessel during voyages that generally last from 5 – 15 days and on vessels that may have from 10 – 50 or more people on board. This creates a very challenging and dynamic experience. Activities include: keeping-watch by day and night, climbing masts, scrubbing decks, cooking and cleaning in the galley, heaving the ropes and setting the sails, navigating, planning, keeping the log and much more. It is adventurous, great fun and requires teamwork and motivation. Trainees are sure to make new friends and learn new skills. No previous experience is required and various physical abilities are catered for.

## Outcomes of Sail Training

The challenges that arise from life at sea encourage and support trainees to push their comfort zones creating a valuable opportunity for developing positive attitudes, behaviors and understanding as well as both soft and hard skills. It inspires self-confidence and personal responsibility, interpersonal skills and respect, teamwork and independence. It promotes an acceptance of others, whatever their social or cultural backgrounds, and develops a willingness to take on challenges in life.

These developments become valuable attributes and tools in the trainees’ daily lives at home, school, college or work. The ‘education’ trainees receive on board cannot be taught through lecture or books, but by bringing people from a variety of backgrounds and abilities together to adapt and overcome challenges to achieve a common goal. The new friendships formed often become lifelong friendships built in a challenging and rewarding environment where normal divisions and barriers don’t exist.

## Sail Training Ireland Background and History

The Charity was formed in 2011 as a replacement for Coiste an Asgard by three of its former directors. The role of Sail Training Ireland as the replacement for Coiste and Asgard was made official by the transfer of ownership of all intellectual property to Sail Training Ireland. We proudly carry this legacy. Sail Training Ireland has an all island focus, supporting trainees from both Ireland and Northern Ireland.

Sail Training Ireland is Ireland’s National Sail Training Organisation and is the recognised National Sail Training Organisation appointed by Sail Training International. There is one such “NSTO” in each member country. In this capacity, we nominate the representative to the International Council of Sail Training International – currently Seamus McLoughlin, Chairman Sail Training Ireland.

## The Adventure of a Lifetime!

*An opportunity to reach your full potential by finding your boundaries and crossing them.*

*A change in perspective!*



*“Sail Training promotes teamwork, social interaction and negates barriers such as background, religion, and culture. It teaches life skills and offers a unique opportunity to learn. For some, Sail Training offers first time success, for others, it’s a refresher course in life! Sail Training teaches the qualities of resourcefulness, pride, humility, bravery, strength and grace...and you might learn to sail as well!”*

**Mossy Shanahan, Director  
Sail Training Ireland.**



## A Word from the CEO

I am absolutely delighted to have recently started working for Sail Training Ireland at such an exciting time for the charity. I would personally like to thank Michael Byrne for the incredible work he has done to bring the charity to where it is today and for his time over the last three months, during which he helped me greatly to make it a smooth transition.

2016 was a great year, with over 300 trainees availing of the life changing experience of a sail training voyage. These voyages were made possible by the cooperation of a diverse group of sponsors, supporters, members, nominating organisations, trainees, parents, city & county councils and port companies. All brought together and coordinated by Sail Training Ireland to facilitate the fantastic accomplishments of the stars of the show the trainees.

2017 promises to be another exciting year for the charity with our usual mix of Erasmus +, bursary and sponsor supported voyages. This year will also see the inaugural running of the Three Cities Initiative which will see voyages taking place between Dublin, Belfast, and Liverpool, taking in each city's festival. Another exciting development for 2017 is that we have become Gaisce Challenge Partners, which will result in Sail Training Ireland voyages being promoted across the extensive network that Gaisce has established.

Moving further ahead, 2018 will be a landmark year as Dublin has been awarded a Tall Ships Regatta, which will open up fantastic opportunities for trainees, sail training, tall ships, and huge economic benefits to Dublin's economy.

The great work carried out by Sail Training Ireland would not be possible without the generous financial support of our sponsors, supporters and members. In particular I would like to say thank you to Dublin City Council and Dublin Port Company for their continued support. In addition, thanks to Arklow Shipping, Irish Ferries, and H&K International who are also major sponsors. This is in addition to the plethora of local sponsors of the various bursary schemes who make it all possible.

Finally, I would like to say a big thank you to Sara and Judy who have worked tirelessly to keep the whole show on the road. I would also like to share my appreciation for the work the Board of Directors do on an entirely voluntary basis to support everything we do.

Here's to another fantastic year ahead.



*Daragh Sheridan, CEO, Sail Training Ireland*

## Future Funding

As previously mentioned Sail Training Ireland is a charity and relies on generous support from a number of key supporters. It goes without saying that we would like to grow the existing level of support as more funding translates directly into more trainees and allows us to continue the great work we do. In addition, we have an operational cost of running the organisation which requires funding.

We are very keen to retain the support of our existing supporters alongside developing new streams of income. It is our

intention to seek funding from state, EU and corporate sectors and high net worth individuals. Our CEO Daragh Sheridan will be actively pursuing these aims and is interested and happy to sit down with any individual or organisation that would like to get involved with a great cause such as ours.

We also intend to consolidate the existing bursary schemes and assist them to grow in any way we can. If you would like to discuss a possible involvement that would be mutually beneficial, please do not hesitate to contact Daragh Sheridan [daraghsheridan@sailtrainingireland.com](mailto:daraghsheridan@sailtrainingireland.com) or 086 381 8796.

## Voyages/ Training 2016

Voyage Title/Description	Vessel	Bursary Scheme/ Funding/ Sponsor
Erasmus+ Youth Development Voyage O18	Morgenster	Erasmus+ Funding Cork Bursary Scheme Irish Cruising Club Bursary Scheme Dublin Port Dublin City Council
Erasmus+ Youth Development Voyage U18	Morgenster	Erasmus+ Funding Cork Bursary Scheme Waterford Bursary Scheme Irish Cruising Club Bursary Scheme Dublin Port Dublin City Council
Erasmus+ Youth Across the Sea Voyage 1	Maybe	Irish Cruising Club Bursary Scheme Erasmus+ Funding Dublin Port Dublin City Council
Erasmus+ Youth Across the Sea Voyage 2	Maybe	Erasmus+ Funding Irish Cruising Club Bursary Scheme Dublin Port Dublin City Council
Erasmus+ Youth Across the Sea Voyage 3	Maybe	Erasmus+ Funding Irish Cruising Club Bursary Scheme Dublin Port Dublin City Council
Erasmus+ Youth Across the Sea Voyage 4	Maybe	Erasmus+ Funding Dublin Port Dublin City Council
Maybe Delivery	Maybe	Dublin City Council Dublin Port
Cork Bursary Voyage 1	Spirit of Oysterhaven	Cork Bursary Scheme
Cork Bursary Voyage 2	Spirit of Oysterhaven	Cork Bursary Scheme
Drogheda Bursary Voyage 1	Spirit of Oysterhaven	Drogheda Bursary Scheme
Drogheda Bursary Voyage 2	Spirit of Oysterhaven	Drogheda Bursary Scheme
Waterford Bursary Voyage 1	Brian Boru, Creidne, Tailte	Waterford Bursary Scheme
Waterford Bursary Voyage 2	Brian Boru, Creidne, Tailte	Waterford Bursary Scheme
Safehaven Voyage 1	Spirit of Oysterhaven	Mason, Hayes, Curran
Safehaven Voyage 2	Spirit of Oysterhaven	Dublin City Council
Safehaven Voyage 3	Spirit of Oysterhaven	Arthur Cox
Brian Boru 1	Brian Boru	Waterford Bursary Scheme
Brian Boru 2	Brian Boru	Waterford Bursary Scheme
Erasmus+ Sail in Company Tall Ship Race 3	Gulden Leeuw	Irish Cruising Club Bursary Scheme
Maybe Tall Ship Race 3	Maybe	Oman Bursary
Inclusion Voyages	Lord Nelson	Irish Cruising Club Bursary Scheme
Mentor Development Weekend	Land Based	Erasmus+
Youth Council Weekend	Land Based	Erasmus+ and Causeway grant
Train Sail Training Weekend	Land Based	Erasmus+

## Nominating Organisations

Nominating Organisations are youth and community services, groups and schools which work with young people who are interested in taking part in a sail training voyage.

We rely on nominating organisations to identify young people who are in need of and will benefit from our funded opportunities. They are able to offer important support to trainees during their preparation for voyages and when they return from the voyage. This helps to maximise the benefits of the experience for the participants.

We believe that every trainee should contribute something to the cost of their experience to ensure a personal 'buy-in' and ownership of the voyage. However, in very special circumstances where finances are very difficult, this can be discussed for review with the nominating organisations. The nominating organisation may assist in fundraising or may sponsor some or all of the trainee's contribution towards the cost of their voyage.

At our 2016 annual launch and prize giving event in the Mansion House, the 'Perpetual Asgard Award' 'For an outstanding contribution to, sail training by a nominating organisation or nominating 'individual', was awarded to Meitheal Mara for the fantastic work they had put in to getting Cork participants involved in sail training in 2015.



The nominating organisation acts as a referee for the trainees and can provide us with important information regarding support requirements and any behavioural or medical issues. We do our utmost to cater for all needs and requirements and do not wish to exclude any young people due to any of the information provided, but it is vital for us to have access to it for the safety and well-being of all involved.

To become a nominating organisation contact [info@sailtrainingireland.com](mailto:info@sailtrainingireland.com).

## Meitheal Mara – Cork's community boatyard and training centre

For over twenty years Meitheal Mara has been working in the heart of Cork City to:

Promote maritime culture; to foster traditional skills through currach and wooden boat building; to deliver training in woodwork, craft and seamanship and to make water activities more accessible to all.

*Our broad objectives mean that our activities range from organising Ocean to City - Ireland's biggest rowing race, to building boats for the Game of Thrones television series, to participating in the Atlantic Challenge seamanship*

*competition, to providing free boat trips through Cork City during Cork Harbour Festival.*

*Our engagement with Sail Training Ireland has provided a new and exciting avenue of progression for our young rowers and sailors, many of whom come from disadvantaged backgrounds and have had very little opportunity to travel. The voyages they have experienced have broadened their horizons and many of them have returned with a new outlook, drive and ambition.*

*We were thrilled to be awarded the Perpetual Asgard Award in January 2016. The award has been popular with both the workshop staff – because of its beautiful craftsmanship – and the on-the-water staff – because of what it represents in terms of the achievements of the young people. While we are sad to be handing back the award we look forward to continuing to work with Sail Training Ireland in creating opportunities for Cork teenagers for many years to come.*



## 'Erasmus+' Funded Projects

Erasmus + is the EU Commission's funding stream for Education and Sport. This has a seven year budget of €14.7 billion across Europe. Within this, about 10% is directed towards Youth and non-formal education. This funding is administered in Ireland by Leargas and Sail Training Ireland been granted funding each year since 2012 to fund youth development projects that take place on tall ships.

In 2016, there were two Youth Exchange projects on board the Morgenster and one Mobility of Youth Workers project completed in Dublin Port. They had a combined total of 74 participants from both the ROI and NI from a range of different backgrounds and abilities. Structured non formal educational programmes are implemented as part of these projects to achieve specific learning objectives that tie into 'themes' such as employability, active citizenship and inclusion and diversity.

We also partnered with the 'Maybe' to run youth exchange projects on board through their UK Erasmus+ national agency.

## Mobility of Youth Workers Project

This is an Erasmus+ project designed to support the professional development of youth workers by bringing groups of them together from different countries to share their knowledge and experience and to take part in a programme of professional development activities, workshops, discussions and presentations. We used this project to bring together 13 youth workers/leaders, with experience in the field of youth work and/or sail training and to develop skills and knowledge relevant to youth development through sail training. Members of this group then took on the role of Youth Mentor during the two youth exchange projects.



## Morgenster O18s Erasmus+ Youth Exchange 1 Belfast-Isle of Man-Dublin-Cork, 29 May- 10 June (13 days)

31 participants (including three youth mentors) from Northern Ireland and the Republic took part in this Youth Exchange. Participants from Northern Ireland were supported and nominated by youth and community groups through Belfast City Council, the Republic of Ireland participants came through a variety of youth and community organisations.





## Morgenster U18s Erasmus+ Youth Exchange 2 Cork-Waterford-Wales-Netherlands, 12 June-29 June (18 days)

30 participants (including three youth mentors) from Northern Ireland and the Republic took part in this Youth Exchange. Participants from the Republic of Ireland hailed from a variety of youth and community organisations; the Northern Irish participants came through Belfast City Council or as individuals.



# Erasmus+

## ‘Maybe’ Erasmus+ Youth Exchange Voyages

Sail Training Ireland partnered with ‘Maybe Sailing’ to recruit participants and youth leaders for their four Erasmus+ Youth Exchange voyages with participants from NI, UK and ROI on board. 2x O18 and 2x U18 8-10 day voyages took place consecutively from the 1 May- 5 June.

- Voyage 1, Oban-Belfast
- Voyage 2, Belfast- Galway
- Voyage 3 Galway-Belfast
- Voyage 4 Belfast-Dublin



## Bursary Schemes 2016

A key objective of Sail Training Ireland is to raise financial support to ensure that no young person is excluded from participation due to financial constraints. The development of regional bursary schemes has proven to be a very successful approach to providing this support. In 2013 Drogheda Port Company and Sail Training Ireland established the first of these schemes. This model has been successfully adopted now in Waterford, Cork and Belfast with work under way in Derry, Galway and Wexford. With support of Ports, Local Authorities, Area Partnerships and industry, these schemes offer local young people the life changing experiences of sail training. In addition, The Irish Cruising Club operate an all-Ireland bursary to support young people from disadvantaged backgrounds and people with disabilities.

Sail Training Ireland has developed a network of nominating organisations in these areas which work directly with young people. These organisations put forward candidates they believe would benefit from the experience. The bursary schemes support specific bursary voyages which take place, as far as possible, on local vessels. In addition, trainees receive funding to take part in International Youth Exchange Projects; these voyages are partially funded through the EU Commission's Erasmus + scheme.

The voyages can be followed on Facebook and Twitter with regular updates and plenty of pictures. At the end of a Bursary Voyage an event is organised locally to mark the achievement of the trainees. Formal invitations and a press release are issued. The crew, sponsors, local media, nominating organisations, trainees and their families are invited along, the trainees are presented with certificates and one of them will describe their experience and share some of the highlights of the voyage. It is a great opportunity for families and supporters to get a real insight into the benefits of sail training. Plenty of group photos are taken!



Cork Life Centre @CorkLifeCentre · Aug 29  
Good luck to our students & other sailors on their weeks sail! @drogheda @sailtrainingie @oysterhavenCork  
pic.twitter.com/CKthg8Pp



### Sail Training Ireland for Youth Development

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The **Drogheda Bursary Scheme** is now in it's 4th year running! Sail Training Ireland along with Drogheda Port Company and Local Drogheda Sponsors would like to invite young people aged 15-17 to apply for a bursary to take part in these upcoming voyages on board the Spirit of Oysterhaven. This reduces the voyage fee from €575 to €150. Click the link below to apply. <http://tbxf.r.bh.d.sendibt3.com/1xvmmjwr3l.html>



Sail Training Voyages 2016



Sail Training Voyages 2016

12,382 people reached

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## Drogheda Sail Training Bursary

Drogheda Bursary Fund was established in 2013, funded by sponsorship from local business and industry. The first of its kind in Ireland, this scheme formed the basis for subsequent development of similar bursary schemes across Ireland and Northern Ireland. 'Spirit of Oysterhaven' was the vessel partner for the scheme in 2014, 2015 and again this year. In 2016, 19 trainees from the Louth and Meath areas took part in two voyages.

The first voyage sailed from Dublin on 2 July and sailed into Drogheda on 8 July having explored Ireland's East Coast, in time for the Drogheda Maritime Festival.

The next voyage commenced on 10 July and sailed from Drogheda to Derry, arriving 15 July and took in the spectacular Causeway Coast of Antrim.

The nominating organisations that put forward the eventual participants were 18th Meath Scout Troop, local schools, Carlingford Sailing Club, Irish Water Safety Association, East Wall Adventure Centre, Irish Girl Guides, Louth and Meath Education and Training Board.

The Drogheda Bursary Scheme relies entirely on the generosity of a growing number of companies who donate money annually to enable these voyages to take place. The companies who sponsor these youth bursaries are all very strong advocates of corporate social responsibility and community spirit. These kind donations make life changing experiences available to young people, we would like to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation to those who have sponsored this worthy scheme to date and to Neasa Lally, Drogheda Port Company, for her great efforts in co-ordinating the scheme.

After the finish of the voyages Sail Training Ireland and Port of Drogheda hosted a PR event attended by representative of Drogheda Port Company, sponsors, local press, nominating organisations. Certificates were presented to trainees to mark their achievement in completing a voyage aboard a sail training vessel. One of the trainees spoke on behalf of all describing the highlights of the trip and the benefits.



## Waterford Bursary Scheme

Established in 2016 in partnership with Port of Waterford, Waterford Council and Waterford Area Partnership. The scheme provided access to the life changing experience of a Sail Training voyage for young people from the region aboard large sailing vessels. This year, trainees sailed aboard Waterford vessel, Brian Ború, Dutch vessel Morgenster and Naval Service Sail Training Yacht Creidne.

32 trainees took part in voyages from May to July. Morgenster visited the city on Friday 17 June with a total of 32 young people from all over Ireland including four trainees from Waterford.

On 29 July Waterford trainees sailed in company and on board Brian Ború, skippered by local Captain Liam Keating and they were accompanied by the Naval Yacht Creidne, skippered by Commander Willie Roberts, the Naval Yacht Tailte, skippered by Waterford Councillor Eddie Mulligan with Naval Reserves from Waterford aboard. After a six day voyage they sailed into Waterford City, and moored in front of the Towers Hotel, to be met by friends, family and supporters.

Mayor of the City and County of Waterford, Cllr. Adam Wyse, hosted an event to acknowledge the achievement of these young people and to assist in the development of a network of supporting organisations in Waterford which may wish to nominate participants in future voyages. One of the trainees addressed the group to thank the supporters of the Bursary Scheme and describe his experiences on board. There was an opportunity for all to go aboard the ships following the event.

There is now a strong and growing database of nominating organisations in the Waterford area which we can draw upon for the future. The nominating organisations which put forward participants were Waterford Area Partnership, Manor St John Youth Service, Waterford Scouting groups and Tusla.





## Irish Cruising Club Bursary Scheme 2016

Following on from a very successful 2015, this all Ireland bursary scheme went from strength to strength in 2016, supporting 32 young people and two buddies from disadvantaged backgrounds and people with disabilities. The voyages took place on the Lord Nelson, Brian Ború, Maybe, Morgenster. Two of the trainees participated in the Tall Ships race aboard the Gulden Leeuw from Lisbon to Cherbourg.

The Irish Cruising Club bursary funding is administered by the Sail Training Ireland Disability Sub-committee with input from The Irish Cruising Club. The organisations which nominated this year's participants are Deaf Sports Ireland, Enable Ireland, Sunbeam House, Shackleton Outdoor Adventure Management Course, Dublin Port Garda Youth Diversion Project, Tusla/Foroige Galway, Irish Girl Guides, Prince's Trust NI, Belfast Central Mission, Belfast Activity Centre and Donegal Sea Scouts.

The trainees on board Morgenster and Maybe were part of an International Youth Exchange Project. They were partially funded through the EU Commission's Erasmus + scheme. The balance of costs was funded by the ICC Bursary.

## Feedback from the Morgenster & Maybe

"I will remember getting so much from a new friendship, a person who I would probably never have met in my home life."

"I learnt that my friends and family could be proud of me and I am proud of myself."

The Brian Ború, sailed in Company with the Naval Yachts Creidne and Tailte in July for six days on the South East Coast with an ICC funded participant, Bob, aboard.



## Belfast Bursary Scheme

Sail Training Ireland is the All Ireland organisation for sail training and is delighted to be working closely with City Events, Belfast City Council in supporting young people from the city in their Tall Ship endeavours.



In 2016 31 young people took part in six voyages aboard the *Maybe and Morgenster*, cruising extensively in the Irish Sea and St Georges Channel. One group concluded their voyage in Eemshaven, The Netherlands. 'Morgenster' visited the city for the Belfast Maritime Festival 28 to 30 May 2016.

These voyages formed part of an International Youth Exchange Programme and were partly funded by Erasmus+. Each participant was awarded a Youth Pass Certificate and these were presented by the Lord Mayor at a reception in City Hall, Belfast. At the ceremony Tim Baker, one of the trainees, talked about his experiences, the challenges and personal growth he experienced. This event was organised by Stephen Tate from Community Services.



## Cork Sail Training Bursary Scheme

The Cork Sail Training Bursary Scheme has been developed since 2014 when Port of Cork co-sponsored a voyage with the National Maritime College (NMCI) and the Irish Institute of Master Mariners (IIMM). Since then additional sponsors have joined; Ardmore Shipping, EMC, Cork City and County Council.



In 2015, EMC joined Port of Cork as a major sponsor in the scheme.

With this assistance 32 young people participated in sail training voyages in the 2016 summer season. Two voyages took place aboard the Cork based vessel *Spirit of Oysterhaven* in May and August and trainees from Cork were also supported by the scheme on board the Tall Ship *Morgenster*.

Due to extra support from Port of Cork, Cork County Council and Cork City Council, *Morgenster* made a visit to Cork in June and hosted events and 'open ship' for public visits in Cork City and in Cobh during the Cork Harbour Festival 2016.

Organisations in the greater Cork area nominated trainees they felt would benefit from or were in need of this opportunity. This year these organisations included; Cork Life Centre, Meitheal Mara, Mayfield Community College, National Council for the Blind in Ireland, YMCA Cork, Youthreach and the Irish Girl Guides.





## Feedback

*Hi All at Sail Training Ireland, I know Ross and Sean are back a month now but as usual the summer is busy. I just want to say a huge thank you for organising everything. Ross had an amazing experience and he was a bit apprehensive about it, but he loved it. The Morgenster is such a part of his thinking now.*

*We are really grateful for this opportunity and I have been telling everyone about it.*

*Lynn, parent of Ross,  
on board Morgenster,  
Cobh to Amsterdam*

*Dear Michael,  
It's difficult to put into words the positive impact the experience had on our three lads. The bursary scheme run by your team at Sail Training Ireland is an extraordinary opportunity for young people.*

*We were particularly impressed by the calibre of the youth work component of the voyage on board the Spirit of Oysterhaven. Our young people had an exceptional crew guiding them through the process.*

*Kind Regards,  
Don O'Leary, Director, Cork Life Centre*

*This voyage was not just a great travelling experience, an education in skilled trade work or a way of getting my papers. It was also a lifetime experience in learning how to work with many different people in difficult conditions and to learn a lot about myself. This is the huge value I see in sail training for anyone, especially young people. To any youth who are worried about what to do after you finish school I say this; take time out of education, sign onto a ship, see the world and learn a little about yourself.*

*Ross Biggane from Co. Kerry,  
Danish TS 'Danmark' Sail Training Vessel.*

On the 9 September, trainees from all voyages, media, partners and supporters of the scheme were invited to an event hosted by Port of Cork. Marcus Connaughton of RTE Seascapes was the MC and certificates awarded to trainees by Commodore Hugh Tully. One of the trainees, Colm, summarised his experience on board and thanked Sail Training Ireland and the supporters of the Bursary on behalf of all the trainees for making their voyage possible.

## SafeHaven Voyages



Sail Training Ireland is delighted to facilitate SafeHaven Ireland with their mission of enhancing integration in Ireland and facilitating youth development by providing sail training opportunities to children and young people aged 15 to 21. This year 33 young people experienced a SafeHaven voyage.

In 2016 there were three SafeHaven voyages aboard Spirit of Oysterhaven each with ten trainees and a mentor aboard. Each voyage had a mixture of participants from different backgrounds, including young people from ethnic minority backgrounds. Those who have experienced the asylum system in Ireland are prioritised. Places are offered to Irish-national participants, often from inner city areas, who would not otherwise have this kind of opportunity. These cruises took in the South and East Coasts. Three additional young people took part in other voyages.

The season was wrapped up with a fantastic gathering when trainees and crew received their certificates from Sail Training Ireland along with Cork Bursary participants at a presentation kindly hosted by Port of Cork. This occasion celebrated the achievements of these young people and those present gained a real understanding of the benefits of sail training and the difference it can make.

## Events 2016

### Sail Training Ireland Annual Launch and Prize-Giving 2016

#### *Annual Prize Giving and Awards Ceremony – The Mansion House*

Each year in January, Sail Training Ireland hosts this event in the Mansion House in Dublin courtesy of the Lord Mayor. This year 100 guests were in attendance including a very strong cohort of trainees from previous voyages, vessel operators and youth organisations. Our annual programme of voyages was announced and the following prizes were awarded for the work put into sail training in Ireland in 2015.

**Trainee of the Year Award:** Josh Barr – Maybe Sailing

**Outstanding Contribution Award:** Lucy Brabazon  
– Spirit of Oysterhaven

**Outstanding Achievement Award:** Ram Rameli  
– Safehaven Voyage

**Perpetual Asgard Award:** Meitheal Mara  
– Nominating Organisation

**Watch-Leader of the Year Award:** Sarah Arntz

**Volunteer of the Year Award:** Kasia Mielniczuk



*Award Winners 2015 Season*

## Áras an Uachtaráin

On the 25 February 2016, 55 Sail Training participants, Sail Training Ireland staff and board members were welcomed by the patron of our Charity, President Michael.D Higgins, at Áras an Uachtaráin. A wonderful opportunity for all involved, it was our chance to speak about the work we have been doing and what the future holds for sail training in Ireland with young people from all backgrounds. In attendance were members of our board of directors and staff, sponsors, vessel operators, youth and community organisation representatives and young people from across Ireland who have experienced a sail training voyage.





## Youth Council

With support from the 'Causeway British and Irish Exchange Grant', 13 sail training participants from across Northern Ireland and the Republic gathered together on the last weekend in September in Belfast to develop the 'Sail Training Ireland Youth Council'.

The aim of the weekend was to define the role of the Youth Council and its members and identify projects to work on which will ultimately lead to further participation in sail training activities.

Part of their role in 2017 is to visit Maritime festivals in Ireland to promote sail training across the country. E-Mail: [youthcouncil@sailtrainingireland.com](mailto:youthcouncil@sailtrainingireland.com)



## Erasmus+ 'Train Sail Training' Seminar- Greenwich 4 to 7 September

Sail Training Ireland have been running successful Erasmus+ projects since 2012 and we felt that the greater sail training community could benefit from doing the same. Twenty five sail trainers and youth workers from across Ireland, UK, Portugal and Spain, all with a wealth of experience, gathered together in Greenwich with the aim to develop an understanding of youth work, structured non-formal education and Erasmus + on board tall ships and sailing vessels.

Participants returned home with the knowledge and experience to develop Erasmus + projects, specifically youth exchanges, using sail training as a platform for non-formal educational programmes focusing on youth work and youth development and having their own specific learning objectives.



## Galway Sail Training Event

A total of 13 trainees from Galway were recruited and supported by Erasmus+ funding, ICC bursary funding and co-funding by TUSLA – The Child and Family Agency to participate in two Erasmus+ Youth Exchange voyages. While the *Maybe* was docked in the Marina in Galway Port a small gathering was held on board which gave these participants and crew the opportunity to show members of their family and community what they had learnt on board during their ten days at sea.

In attendance were Mayor of Galway, Frank Fahy, Representatives from TUSLA, Foroige, Galway Port and City and County Councils.

Based on the success of this initiative we aim to build an annual bursary scheme in Galway, raising local funds to support local trainees so that more young people can have this life changing experience.



## Cork Harbour Festival

The flagship event of the festival, Ocean to City – An Rás Mór, is Ireland's premier rowing spectacle. It attracts hundreds of participants from all over the world competing in everything from traditional wooden boats, currachs, gigs and longboats to Chinese dragon boats, kayaks and canoes. It is the largest event in Cork Harbour and a firm fixture on its cultural calendar. Due to extra support from Port of Cork, Cork County Council and Cork City Council, Morgenster made a visit to Cork in June, and hosted events and 'open ship' for public visits in Cork City and in Cobh during the Cork Harbour Festival 2016.



*Credit: Kevin Day ECCG*



## Belfast Maritime Festival

The Belfast Maritime festival, 28 to 30 May 2016, welcomed the magnificent tall ships Morgenster, Phoenix, Earl of Pembroke and Kaskelot. These vessels held 'open ship' and invited the public on board. A team of Belfast City Council Community Services volunteers recorded expressions of interest from young people wishing to take in the experience of a lifetime on board a sail training voyage.

Excited trainees from Belfast and the Republic of Ireland boarded the Morgenster for their induction before setting sail the following day.

Aoife Ledgey O'Brien and her team of enthusiastic volunteers staffed Sail Training International's 'Sail on Board' tent for the duration of the event.



## Dublin Port Festival

2016 Dublin Port River Festival had an intensive programme of activities and attractions on and off the River Liffey. The sun was out and so were the people!

The tall ships in attendance were: Morgenster, Maybe, Earl of Pembroke and Jean De La Lune.

The Irish sail training vessels in attendance were: Spirit of Oysterhaven, Brian Ború, Naval Sail Training Yacht Creidne, and the Irish Whale and Dolphin Group vessel Celtic Mist. All vessels held 'open ship' to welcome the public on board.



## Vessels

### Spirit of Oysterhaven

A classic 70ft steel Schooner of traditional design, the Spirit of Oysterhaven is Ireland's largest sail training vessel and flagship of Oysterhaven Activity Centre in West Cork. 'Spirit' is licenced to operate with 12 passengers and 3 crew. A regular at Irish sailing and maritime festivals, the crew on board have plenty of experience running six day youth and adult sail training voyages particularly along the stunning coastline of West Cork.



### Brian Boru

A traditional gaff rigged wooden sailing ketch that calls the Waterford Estuary its home, the beautiful Sailing Ship is the culmination of a three year renovation and conversion project under the management of her owner Tony Mccloughlin, a professional Master Shipwright. The passionate crew spend the warmer months running 1-6 day voyages in the special area of conservation of the Waterford Estuary, and along the coast of Ireland.



### Morgenster

Morgenster (Morning Star) is traditionally rigged as a brig, with square sails on her two masts. This 48m sail training vessel is well known in Holland, where she is based, but has taken part in many International Tall Ships Races and Erasmus+ Youth Exchange voyages as she caters for up to 36 trainee crew in cabin and hammock style accommodation. Morgenster was originally built as a deep sea fishing vessel but was converted to a fine sailing ship in 2008. Her owners Marian and Harry Mutter intended that the rig would be ideal for sail training, fast and elegant.



### Maybe

Maybe, a 1920's Dutch sailing ketch, made out of wood, launched in 1933, was designed for round the world cruising. She has been completely restored recently and returned to the Tall Ships races. A major milestone in Maybe's history is that she took part in the first ever Tall Ships Race in 1956! Since then Maybe came third in her class in the 2014 Tall Ships Race. Maybe can accommodate 12 trainee crew members and 3-4 permanent crew.





## Gulden Leeuw

The “Gulden leeuw” (Golden Lion) has been designed and built as an ocean-going, ‘A’ class ship. In combination with the three-mast topsail schooner rig, it is a fast, robust ship. 70 meters long with 40 meter masts, the Gulden Leeuw was originally built in 1937 and completely redesigned and rebuilt in 2010, the ship has preserved its 1930s heritage ambience, but offers practical use of space with a giant dormitory sleeping up to 60 trainee crew.



## Creidne

Creidne is one of two yachts owned by the Naval Service, the other being Tailte. She was built in Norway in 1967 and is a 48ft Bermudan ketch, originally named Galcador. She was the national sail-training vessel from 1975 to 1980 when she acted as a stand in between the retirement of the original Asgard and the construction of Asgard II. The Waterford Bursary Voyage 2016 was the first voyage undertaken by Creidne since 2009/2010 when she carried out voyages to cater for trainees who had been scheduled to voyage on the lost Asgard II.



## Opportunities 2017

### Dublin Sail Training Bursary Scheme

The Dublin Sail Training Bursary Scheme relies on the continuous support from Dublin Port, Irish Ferries, Arklow Shipping and from Dublin City Council’s Social Inclusion Section who continue to work actively on the development and promotion of social inclusion initiatives, events, projects and programmes throughout Dublin City. Our sponsors recognise the value of using sail training as a tool for social inclusion and social and personal development.

We’re delighted to announce there are funded places available on board two six day Sail Training Voyages for young people aged 16-30 from Inner City and the Greater Dublin area with the support from the Dublin Sail Training Bursary Scheme. In 2017, these voyages will take place on board the Maybe.

For more information or for an application form please contact: [info@sailtrainingireland.com](mailto:info@sailtrainingireland.com)



### Gaisce-The President’s Award

We are delighted to announce that we are now ‘Gaisce Challenge Partners’.

Gaisce Challenge Partners are organisations that support and involve young people to participate in one or more Gaisce Challenge Areas, allowing relevant activities to be counted towards achieving a Gaisce Award. Trainees can now complete their Personal Skill, Adventure Journey, GOLD Residential or even Community Involvement on board!



## Bow Tie Day 27 October 2017

Sail Training Ireland Goodwill Ambassador Marcus Connaughton asks you to sport a bow tie in the workplace on Friday 27 October. A specially themed, limited edition Bow Tie inspired by ASGARD II will be produced for Sail Training Ireland and will be available for sale. Marcus Connaughton has been wearing bow ties for the past twenty-seven years. Indeed, each and every Friday that Marcus assembles SEASCAPES for broadcast, it's a given that Marcus is sporting a bow tie. Support Sail Training in Ireland and purchase a limited addition ASGARD II inspired bow tie for Bow Tie Day 27th October 2017.



(Caricature by Syd Bluett)

## 2017 Voyages



For more detailed information on these voyages, bursary schemes and to register your interest or to apply for a voyage please go to our website: [www.sailtrainingireland.com](http://www.sailtrainingireland.com) or send a general enquiry to: [info@sailtrainingireland.com](mailto:info@sailtrainingireland.com)

For further information on voyages run by the vessel operators we work with please see their individual websites:

[www.spiritofosterhavensailing.ie](http://www.spiritofosterhavensailing.ie)

[www.maybe-sailing.com](http://www.maybe-sailing.com)

[www.traditionalboatcharters.com](http://www.traditionalboatcharters.com)

[www.zeilbrik.org](http://www.zeilbrik.org)

[www.sailonboard.com](http://www.sailonboard.com)

[www.ronasailingproject.org.uk](http://www.ronasailingproject.org.uk)

[www.jst.org.uk](http://www.jst.org.uk)

## Sail Training Ireland Financial Report

### Sail Training Ireland For Youth Development Company Limited By Guarantee

(A company limited by guarantee, without a share capital)

### DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT

for the year ended 31 December 2016

The directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable Irish law and regulations.

Irish company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under the law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the Companies Act 2014 and FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" issued by the Financial Reporting Council and promulgated by Chartered Accountants Ireland. Under company law, the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the company as at the financial year end date and of the surplus or deficit of the company for the financial year and otherwise comply with the Companies Act 2014.

In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

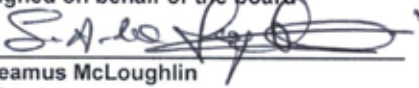
- select suitable accounting policies for the company financial statements and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards, identify those standards, and note the effect and the reasons for any material departure from those standards; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for ensuring that the company keeps or causes to be kept adequate accounting records which correctly explain and record the transactions of the company, enable at any time the assets, liabilities, financial position and surplus or deficit of the company to be determined with reasonable accuracy and enable them to ensure that the financial statements and directors' report comply with the Companies Act 2014 and enable the financial statements to be audited. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.


In so far as the directors are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information (information needed by the company's auditor in connection with preparing the auditor's report) of which the company's auditor is unaware, and
- the directors have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditor is aware of that information.

Signed on behalf of the board

  
Seamus McLoughlin  
Director

13 February 2017

  
Bruce Lyster  
Director

13 February 2017



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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

### to the Members of Sail Training Ireland For Youth Development Company Limited

#### By Guarantee

(A company limited by guarantee, without a share capital)

We have audited the financial statements of Sail Training Ireland For Youth Development Company Limited By Guarantee for the year ended 31 December 2016 which comprise the Income and Expenditure Account, the Balance Sheet, the Statement of Changes in Equity, the Cash Flow Statement, the Accounting Policies and the related notes. The relevant financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is the Companies Act 2014 and FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' issued by the Financial Reporting Council and promulgated by Chartered Accountants Ireland.

#### Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the company as at 31 December 2016 and of its surplus for the year then ended; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with the relevant financial reporting framework and, in particular, the requirements of the Companies Act 2014.

#### Matters on which we are required to report by the Companies Act 2014

- We have obtained all the information and explanations which we consider necessary for the purposes of our audit.
- In our opinion the accounting records of the company were sufficient to permit the financial statements to be readily and properly audited.
- The financial statements are in agreement with the accounting records.
- In our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report is consistent with the financial statements.

#### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the provisions in the Companies Act 2014 which require us to report to you if, in our opinion, the disclosures of directors' remuneration and transactions specified by Sections 305 to 312 of the Act are not made.

#### Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view and otherwise comply with the Companies Act 2014. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with Irish law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practice Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

#### Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors; and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Directors' Report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

#### Restrictions on use

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 391 of the Companies Act 2014. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



Shaw McClung  
for and on behalf of  
BARR POMEROY LIMITED  
Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditor  
21 Herbert Place  
Dublin 2  
D02 KP63

13 February 2017

Registered in Ireland: Registered number 516007

Barr Pomeroy is the registered business name of Barr Pomeroy Limited

Directors: Marie Barr BSc FCA CTA Michael Pomeroy BBS MA FCA CTA Shaw McClung BA FCA CTA

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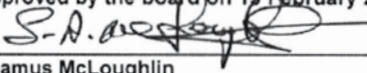
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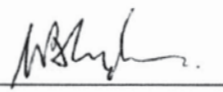
## INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

for the year ended 31 December 2016

	Notes	2016 €	2015 €
Income	4	118,864	99,900
Expenditure		(114,909)	(76,482)
Total Comprehensive Income		<u>3,955</u>	<u>23,418</u>

Approved by the board on 12 February 2017 and signed on its behalf by:

  
Seamus McLoughlin  
Director

  
Bruce Lyster  
Director

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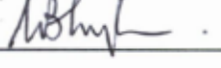
**BALANCE SHEET**

as at 31 December 2016

	Notes	2016 €	2015 €
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Debtors	6	20,489	12,967
Cash and cash equivalents		51,036	47,222
		<u>71,525</u>	<u>60,189</u>
<b>Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year</b>	7	<u>(32,385)</u>	<u>(25,004)</u>
<b>Net Current Assets</b>		<u>39,140</u>	<u>35,185</u>
<b>Total Assets less Current Liabilities</b>		<u>39,140</u>	<u>35,185</u>
<b>Reserves</b>			
Income and expenditure account		<u>39,140</u>	<u>35,185</u>
<b>Members' Funds</b>		<u>39,140</u>	<u>35,185</u>

Approved by the board on 13 February 2017 and signed on its behalf by:

  
 Seamus McLoughlin  
 Director

  
 Bruce Lyster  
 Director



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**CASH FLOW STATEMENT**

for the year ended 31 December 2016

	Notes	2016 €	2015 €
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Surplus for the year		3,955	23,418
		<u>3,955</u>	<u>23,418</u>
Movements in working capital:			
Movement in debtors		(7,522)	(12,967)
Movement in creditors		7,381	6,420
		<u>3,814</u>	<u>16,871</u>
Cash generated from operations			
		<u>3,814</u>	<u>16,871</u>
<b>Net increase in cash and cash equivalents</b>		<b>3,814</b>	<b>16,871</b>
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of financial year		47,222	30,351
		<u>47,222</u>	<u>30,351</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	12	<u>51,036</u>	<u>47,222</u>

## Sail Training Ireland For Youth Development Company Limited By Guarantee

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### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 31 December 2016

#### 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Sail Training Ireland For Youth Development Company Limited By Guarantee is a company limited by guarantee incorporated in the Republic of Ireland. 21 Herbert Place, Dublin 2, D02 KP63 Ireland is the registered office. The nature of the company's operations and its principal activity are set out in the Directors' Report. The financial statements have been presented in Euro (€) which is the functional currency of the company.

#### 2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the company's financial statements.

##### Statement of compliance

The financial statements of the company for the year ended 31 December 2016 have been prepared on the going concern basis and in accordance with Companies Act 2014, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued by the Financial Reporting Council and having regard to the guidance provided in the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS 102 (the SORP) (effective 1 January 2015).

##### Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for certain properties and financial instruments that are measured at revalued amounts or fair values, as explained in the accounting policies below. Historical cost is generally based on the fair value of the consideration given in exchange for assets.

##### Membership and other income

Memberships and other income are recognised in the financial year to which they relate.

##### Grants

Grants are recognised using the accruals model when there is reasonable assurance that the grant will be received and that its conditions will be complied with. Capital grants are credited to deferred income and are released to the income and expenditure account on a systematic basis over the expected useful life of the related assets by equal annual instalments. Revenue grants are released to the income and expenditure account as related expenditure is incurred.

##### Donations and patronage

Donations and patronage income is recognised in the year in which the company is entitled to the resource, when receipt is virtually certain, and when the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

##### Net voyage fees

Net voyage fees comprises voyage fee income received or receivable in respect of the financial year less the direct costs required to generate the income.

##### Trade and other debtors

Trade and other debtors are initially recognised at fair value and thereafter stated at amortised cost using the effective interest method less impairment losses for bad and doubtful debts except where the effect of discounting would be immaterial. In such cases the receivables are stated at cost less impairment losses for bad and doubtful debts.

##### Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash at bank and in hand, demand deposits with banks and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less and bank overdrafts. In the Balance Sheet bank overdrafts are shown within Creditors.

##### Trade and other creditors

Trade and other creditors are initially recognised at fair value and thereafter stated at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method, unless the effect of discounting would be immaterial, in which case they are stated at cost.

##### Taxation

The company has been granted an exemption by the Revenue Commissioners in accordance with the provisions of Section 207, Section 609 and Section 266 of the Taxes Consolidation Act, 1997.

**Sail Training Ireland For Youth Development Company Limited By Guarantee**

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

continued

for the year ended 31 December 2016

**Foreign currencies**

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the rates of exchange ruling at the Balance Sheet date. Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated at the rates of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction. Non-monetary items that are measured at fair value in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the date when the fair value was determined. The resulting exchange differences are dealt with in the Income and Expenditure Account.

**Provisions**

Provisions are recognised when the company has a present legal or constructive obligation as result of past events; it is probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation; and the amount of the obligation can be estimated reliably.

Where there are a number of similar obligations, the likelihood that an outflow will be required in settlement is determined by considering the class of obligations as a whole. A provision is recognised even if the likelihood of an outflow with respect to any one item included in the same class of obligations may be small. Provisions are measured at the present value of the expenditures expected to be required to settle the obligation using a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the obligation. The increase in the provision due to the passage of time is recognised as a finance cost.

**Contingencies**

Contingent liabilities, arising as a result of past events, are not recognised when (i) it is not probable that there will be an outflow of resources or that the amount cannot be reliably measured at the reporting date or (ii) when the existence will be confirmed by the occurrence or non-occurrence of uncertain future events not wholly within the company's control. Contingent liabilities are disclosed in the financial statements unless the probability of an outflow of resources is remote. Contingent assets are not recognised. Contingent assets are disclosed in the financial statements when an inflow of economic benefits is probable.

**3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND KEY SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY**

The preparation of these financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenses.

Judgements and estimates are continually evaluated and are based on historical experiences and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

The company makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. There are no estimates and assumptions that may have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets within the next financial year.

**4. INCOME**

The income for the year has been derived from:-

	2016 €	2015 €
Memberships	1,112	1,526
Grants	2,158	-
Donations and patronage	69,522	75,130
Net voyage fees	37,189	21,857
Other income	8,883	1,387
	<u>118,864</u>	<u>99,900</u>

The whole of the company's income is attributable to its market in Ireland and is derived from the principal activity of the development and education of young people in and through the Sail Training experience.



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**5. EMPLOYEES AND REMUNERATION****Number of employees**

The average number of persons employed (including executive directors) during the year was as follows:

	2016 Number	2015 Number
Manager	1	1
Administration	2	1
	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>

The staff costs comprise:

	2016 €	2015 €
Wages and salaries	76,410	56,168
Social welfare costs	7,935	5,903
	<u>84,345</u>	<u>62,071</u>

**6. DEBTORS**

	2016 €	2015 €
Debtors	19,657	7,967
Prepayments and accrued income	832	5,000
	<u>20,489</u>	<u>12,967</u>

**7. CREDITORS**

Amounts falling due within one year

	2016 €	2015 €
Taxation and social welfare (Note 8)	7,158	4,296
Creditors	10,098	8,958
Accruals	5,129	1,250
Deferred Income	10,000	10,500
	<u>32,385</u>	<u>25,004</u>

**8. TAXATION AND SOCIAL WELFARE**

	2016 €	2015 €
Creditors:		
PAYE	4,529	2,057
PRSI	2,629	2,239
	<u>7,158</u>	<u>4,296</u>

**9. STATUS**

The liability of the members is limited.

Every member of the company undertakes to contribute to the assets of the company in the event of its being wound up while he / she is a member or within one year afterwards, for payment of debts and liabilities of the company contracted before he / she ceased to be members and the costs, charges and expenses of winding up and for the adjustment of the rights of the contributories among themselves, such amount as may be required, not exceeding €1.

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**10. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS**

The company had no material capital commitments at the year-ended 31 December 2016.

**11. POST-BALANCE SHEET EVENTS**

There have been no significant events affecting the company since the year-end.

**12. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS**

	2016 €	2015 €
Cash and bank balances	<u>51,036</u>	<u>47,222</u>

**13. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board of directors on 13 February 2017.







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