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E-cosse Monthly Update

Welcome to E-cosse, the NFRC Scotland Monthly update e-newsletter. In this edition:

Traditional Building Skills Demonstration at Edinburgh Castle

NFRC and Historic Scotland teamed up for a demonstration of traditional building skills at Edinburgh Castle on 21 and 22 October.

Steve McLennan, Gordon Finlayson and Michael McLaren from Greyfriars Roofing Services represented the NFRC and gave a demonstration of leadwork for visitors to the castle.

At the end, Steve kindly donated a lead rain water head to Hazel Johnson of Historic Scotland for inclusion at events to promote traditional roofing skills.

NFRC continues to work very closely with Historic Scotland for the benefit of the industry.



Diary Dates 2013

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| 22 February 2014 | NFRC Scotland Dinner Dance—The Old Course Hotel, St Andrews |
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NFRC Scottish Roofing Contractor of the Year Awards 2013 -Sponsored by SIG Roofing

This year's Awards Luncheon took place on 25 October at Our Dynamic Earth in Edinburgh with the keynote speech being given by Margaret McCulloch MSP.

Congratulations to the winners who were:

Roof Slating—Traditional Roofing & Building

Heritage Roofing—B & D Roofing & Building Ltd

Roof Tiling—Marley Contract Services Ltd

Roof Sheeting—Lakesmere Ltd

Fully Supported Metal- B & D Roofing & Building Ltd

External Cladding & Rainscreen—W G Walker Ltd

Reinforced Bituminous Membrane—Weatherproofing Advisors Ltd

Single Ply—Briggs Amasco Ltd

Liquid Applied Waterproofing—Hyflex Roofing

Solar—Forster Roofing Services Ltd

Safety, Health and Environment Award- Weatherproofing Advisors Ltd

Supply Chain Partner of the Year Award—Donald Scott of Roofing & Building Supplies and Ash & Lacy



Margaret McCulloch MSP giving the keynote speech



National Heritage Training Group (NHTG) Conference

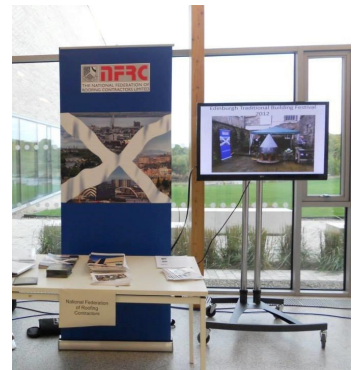
NHTG held its annual conference in Stirling on 15 October and there was a drinks reception the night before at Stirling Castle.



The NFRC was represented at the conference by its President, Vice President, Chief Executive, Training Officer, PR and Marketing Coordinator and Scottish Secretary.

The conference brought together leading figures in the traditional building sector from the four nations in the United Kingdom and was very productive.

There was a roof slating demonstration by an apprentice from Compass Roofing which is a long-standing NFRC member.



Public Sector Construction Contracts

An independent review of the way in which the Scottish public sector procures construction work has called for spending to be harnessed to bolster the Scottish economy.

The 'Review of Procurement in Construction', undertaken by Robin Crawford and Ken Lewandowski, was published in October.

The independent review looked at how public bodies involved in construction-related procurement adopt practices that are streamlined and deliver value for taxpayers' money.

The report estimates the total annual public sector spend on construction to be £4 billion.

Recommendations contained within the report include:

- Greater leadership of construction procurement.
- Improved construction skills across the public sector.
- Design to be at the heart of construction procurement.

Institute of Roofing (IoR)

The next meeting of the IoR in Scotland will take place at 6.00pm on 27 November at Colville Park Country Park in Motherwell.

Full details will be sent to IoR members in the near future.

If you are interested in joining the IoR, details can be viewed at: www.instituteofroofing.org

Should you need a sponsor for your application then please contact the NFRC Scottish Secretariat at: fss-ltd@btconnect.com

NFRC Launches Dedicated Roofing Campaign for Architects

National Federation of Roofing Contractors (NFRC), has rolled out a roofing campaign exclusively for the architectural and specification sectors.

Entitled '*Think roofs – think NFRC*', the campaign aims to raise awareness of NFRC and to promote its knowledge and expertise to the architectural community.

Via an intensive PR drive, the '*Think roofs – think NFRC*' campaign aims to update architects and specifiers on all the latest developments within the roofing industry. Through NFRC, architects will be able to upgrade their knowledge of roofing, as well as seeking one-off help and guidance on specific disciplines.