

Excellence in Roofing Awards winners announced

The UK roofing industry celebrated and recognised outstanding industry achievements at The National Federation of Roofing Contractors Ltd (NFRC) Annual Congress awards lunch last Friday (15 May) in Telford when some 530 celebrated all that is best in roofing.

Cheeky TV presenter, Melissa Porter, presented the International Roofing Federation competition winners. NFRC was joined by the European Liquid Waterproofing Association (ELWA) the Single Ply Roofing Association (SPRA) and for the first time the Lead Contractors Association (LCA).

The Excellence in Roofing Awards recognised and rewarded outstanding roofing projects in all the major roofing disciplines. The following winners were selected based on demonstrated quality workmanship, technical difficulties encountered, problem solving, environmental qualities and aesthetics.

- Slating – Hereward Roofing Ltd, Edith Cavell Hospital
- Tiling – Skyline Roofing (Kingston) Ltd, Holy Trinity Church
- Liquid Applied Roofing – Renocon Ltd, Bedford Way
- Roof Sheeting – Gable (UK) Ltd, Bovington Tank Museum
- Vertical Cladding – Lakesmere Ltd, Newcastle Ait Traffic Control Tower
- Fully Supported Metal Roofing – Acorn (Lead Roofing), Bandstands
- Reinforced Bituminous Membrane (RBM) – Breyer Group plc, Chisenhale School
- Single Ply – Miller Roofing Ltd, National Galleries Scotland
- Mastic Asphalt – Capital Roofing Co Ltd, ABC Satellite Blocks
- Sustainable – M Camilleri & Sons Roofing Ltd, Llwynderw Primary School
- Green Roofs – Advanced Roofing Ltd, Jessop West Building
- Heritage – J Wright Roofing Ltd, Victoria Law Courts

Of all the Safety in Roofing Award applicants the following received the highest score in their roofing discipline: M Camilleri & Sons Roofing (South Wales) Ltd for slating and tiling; Briggs Amasco Ltd for flat roofing; and Progressive Systems Ltd for sheeting and cladding. Gold, silver and bronze awards were presented to a large number of members at the regional annual general meetings.

The competitors who took part in the World Championships for Young Roofers were also formally recognised by the industry at the lunch. In the Roof Slating and Tiling category were James Hill (Southwest Roofing Services Ltd) and Robert Creighton (Elliotts Premier Roofing Ltd), in the Waterproofing category were Terry Peck (Capital Roofing Co Ltd) and Mark McAcoy (Watershed Roofing Ltd).

Kevin Taylor, NFRC's Technical and Training Officer, was presented with the Exceptional Contribution to Training 2008 Award from ConstructionSkills.

The opportunity was also taken at the awards to present the Lead Contractors Association's Murdoch Award and Murdoch Sponsors Award for the best leadwork. The Murdoch Award was won by D Blake and Co for their project at the McManus Galleries and Museum in Dundee. The Murdoch Sponsors Award (sponsored by Associated Lead Mills) was won by Norfolk Sheet Lead for their work on Langley School in Norfolk.

Long serving NFRC Board member and Past President, Geoff Holt received the highest NFRC award, Honorary Life Membership.

NFRC was proud to have Yellow Pages, B&CE Benefit Schemes, Construction Skills and the Electrical Contractors Insurance Company as partners for the event. The partners, along with the following

sponsors help made the big and enjoyable event: Cupa Natural Slate, EcoTherm Insulation, EJOT, Fakro, Icopal, Interbuild, Marley Eternit, Permanite Engineered Roofing Systems, The Private Health Partnership (PHP), Quality Assured National Warranties (QANW), Redland, Rockwool, Roofing, SFS intec, SIG Roofing and Sika Trocal.

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Images are available upon request of all award recipients, winning projects and of Annual Congress in general.

Notes to Editor:

NFRC is the UK's largest roofing trade association representing over 60% of the roofing industry by value. NFRC actively ensures that members offer high standards of workmanship and sound business practice through a strict code of practice and vetting procedure, including site inspections and adhering to the Government endorsed TrustMark standards. NFRC also offers training services, technical advice, and represents member interests to the wider construction industry and Government. For more information please visit www.nfrc.co.uk.