

WINNERS OF THE ROOFING AWARDS 2011 ANNOUNCED

The roofing industry came together on the 20th May to celebrate and recognise outstanding industry achievements at The Roofing Awards Annual Congress Lunch. This is the sixth year of the awards and over 500 people descended on the Hilton Metropole in Brighton to celebrate the very best across the roofing spectrum.

The awards this year saw NFRC collaborate with the Liquid Roofing and Waterproofing Association (LRWA), the Flat Roofing Alliance (FRA), the Roofing Tile Alliance (RTA), the Lead Contractors Association (LCA), The Green Roof Centre and Groundwork Sheffield and the Single Ply Roofing Association (SPRA).

The Excellence in Roofing Awards recognises and rewards outstanding roofing projects in all the major roofing disciplines. The demonstration of quality workmanship, technical difficulties encountered, problem solving, environmental qualities and aesthetics were the areas looked at by the judges when they selected the following winners. The accolades and prizes on the day, including the IFD World Championship for Young Roofers competitors, were presented by former GMTV presenter Penny Smith.

Industrial Roofing & Cladding

Roof Sheeting – **KGM Roofing**, Pudsey Bus Station, Leeds

Vertical Cladding – **Longworth**, Garston Health Centre, Liverpool

Flat Roofing

Reinforced Bituminous Membrane – **Central Roofing & Building Services** working with **IKO Plc**, Leicester Royal Infirmary

Single Ply – **Advanced Roofing Ltd** working with **Renolit**, Scunthorpe Leisure Academy

Liquid Applied Waterproofing – **Central Roofing & Building Services** working with **Liquid Plastics**, BAE Portsmouth

Pitched Roofing

Roof Slating – **Greenough & Sons Roofing Contractors Ltd**, Windmill conversion/restoration

Roof Tiling – **Clarke Roofing Southern Ltd**, Sussex Cottage, East Sussex

Specialist Roofing

Fully Supported Metal – **O'Brien Roofing & Leadwork Ltd**, Chideock Manor Church, Dorset

Heritage Roofing – **Karl Terry Roofing Contractors Ltd**, Laddingford House, Kent

Sustainable

Green Roofs – **Blackdown Greenroofs** working with **Lakesmere Ltd**, West Ham Bus Garage, London

Sustainable Roofs – **Wensley Roofing Ltd** working with **John Brash**, Hamsterley Mill, Tyne & Wear

Also being presented with an accolade was the highest scoring companies from the Safety in Roofing Awards: **Clarke Roofing Southern Ltd** for slating and tiling; **Gray & Jarrett Ltd** for flat roofing; and **Border Steelwork Structures Ltd** for industrial roofing and cladding. A high number of gold, silver and bronze awards were presented to members at the regional annual general meetings earlier on this year.

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NFRC **Health & Safety Champion 2010** award went to a rather stunned and emotional **Kevin Morgan**, site supervisor for **Longworth**. An individual who now passes on his valuable experience and knowledge on to others as part of his tool box talks, an expert in outlining how easy it is for things to go wrong on site and an individual who will never walk by when he feels someone may be at risk.

The Exceptional Contribution to Training Award was won by a rather pleased **Chris Hopkins** of **Ploughcroft**. Chris is a character that pushes training in all forms making it varied, open and accessible to all, and is the first to put his hand up to support any industry initiative.

The Lead Contractors Association presented the Murdoch Award and Murdoch Sponsors Award for the best leadwork. This year it was won by **Northwest Lead** for their project **Dewsbury Town Hall**. The sponsor's award was won by **M & I Lead** for their work on **Oakfield Park** in Co Donegal.

Special congratulations went to Immediate Past President **Mike Long** who received a **Pin of Honour** during the awards, presented to him by current President Jack Camp. The honour was given to Mike for his extended level of commitment to the roofing industry, all of it unpaid, in taking the industry forward. Mike is the 'expert' in Health and Safety has worked on training matters for both trade and associate members and recently has been the driving force behind CompetentRoofer.

NFRC had strong support from SIG Roofing and the following partners for this year's event B&CE Benefit Schemes, Construction News, ConstructionSkills, Electrical Contractors Insurance Company and Quality Assured National Warranties.

The partners, along with the following sponsors, helped make the event memorable and successful: Associated Lead Mills, Cupa Natural Slate, EJOT, Fakro, Flag Soprema, John Brash, ICB, Icopal, IKO plc, Marley Eternit, OHS, Redland, Renolit, Rockwool, SFS intec and Sika-Saranfil.

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Notes to Editor:

- Images from the finalists and the winners are available upon request
- This is the sixth annual Roofing Awards
- The Roofing Awards, formerly the NFRC Awards, are designed to recognise and reward outstanding performance amongst competent roofing companies and manufacturers