

CAST YOUR VOTE FOR SCOTASH

Register your vote for ScotAsh in the finals of the European Business Awards.

Visit www.businessawards.europe.com to watch our video, from November 11th, and take part in an X-factor style vote. We are counting on your support!



GARDENING FOR OYSTERCATCHERS

Work on the ScotAsh garden has finally resumed.

Staff downed tools when a pair of Oystercatchers decided to nest in the garden. The pair successfully fledged two chicks (one is above with its mum).

HONOURS LIST

ScotAsh has scooped three green awards and will compete for a top prize at the European Business Awards.

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ROSS CELEBRATES HIS TENTH YEAR

Congratulations to Ross MacNicol, who recently celebrated 10 years of working with ScotAsh.

ScotAsh Director Allan Everett presented Ross with a 10-year Long Service Award.



Gold standard: Chris Bennett receives ScotAsh's seventh gold award from RoSPA's chairman Eric Wiles (right) and chief executive Tom Mullarkey MBE

It's seven in a row!

ScotAsh's exemplary health and safety performance has been recognised with yet another award from the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents (RoSPA).

ScotAsh received its 7th Gold Award and 3rd Gold Medal from RoSPA at the Glasgow Hilton Hotel in September. ScotAsh achieved 10 years without a Lost Time Incident in November 2012.

NEW FRONTIERS

First shipment of specialist cement is exported to US

ScotAsh's specialist cement for the oil industry has been exported to the United States for the first time this year, following quality and performance tests.

The cement, already used in Canada and across Indonesia and the Middle East, is used by Tuboscope, part of National Oilwell Varco, in oil pipelines.

The product, which goes to Odessa, Texas and to Oklahoma, undergoes a long journey after leaving ScotAsh's premises at Longannet Power Station in Fife, *as Sales & Quality Manager Chris Bennett explains.*

"The cement is taken the short distance from ScotAsh to Grangemouth docks by road. It is then shipped 970 nautical miles to Bremerhaven in Germany, where it is transferred to another ship that takes it to Port of Houston in Texas – a journey of more than 6,000 nautical miles," said Chris.

"The cargo is then unloaded and taken another 750 miles by rail to El Paso, on the border with New Mexico. Finally, the cement



Shipping out: Brian Wood (left) and Stuart Jackson with the US order and, left, Jeremy Jones, QC Manager for Tuboscope in Odessa, Texas

travels the last 286 miles to Odessa by lorry."

Chris added: "The volumes we are shipping are relatively small at the moment – up to 1,000 tonnes per year – but this is an added value product, so securing contracts in the United States is a great boost for our business."



**TEAM WISH
RON HAPPY
RETIREMENT**

The ScotAsh team recently said farewell to Board Member Ron Hunter, who retired recently, having been involved with ScotAsh since its inception.

Ron, who was ScottishPower's Technical Services Director, held various senior posts in the company's Generation business. He helped launch ScotAsh, that began as a joint venture between ScottishPower and Blue Circle – now Lafarge Tarmac.

Ron served as Chairman of the ScotAsh Board,

supported ScotAsh's objectives and played an active role in conducting health and safety audits.

Friends and colleagues turned out to wish Ron well for the future and fellow ScotAsh director Allan Everett thanked Ron for his outstanding contribution to the company's success. On behalf of the team he presented keen angler Ron with a leaving gift of two days' salmon fishing on the Tay and a framed caricature of the whole ScotAsh team.



Get ready to vote for ScotAsh in European Business Awards

ScotAsh's green credentials have been recognised in THREE major award schemes.

The company was named as a National Champion in the European Business Awards 2013/14 in the Millicom Award for Environmental & Corporate Sustainability.

The next stage of the competition – in which ScotAsh will compete for Ruban d'Honneur status – involves the National Champions submitting a video entry for assessment by the judging panel.

In a new twist, the public will be able to vote online for their favourite National Champion from each country.

Voting begins in November and the final category winners will be announced next April.

Meanwhile, ScotAsh received a Silver Award in the 2013 Scottish Green Apple Awards for



Apple of judges' eye: Chris Bennett receives award from Bob McIntosh

Environmental Best Practice.

Chris Bennett, ScotAsh's Sales & Quality Manager collected the award from Dr Bob McIntosh, the Scottish Government's Director Environment and Forestry, at Edinburgh Zoo's Budungo Theatre.

ScotAsh was also short-listed in the Vision in Business for the Environment of Scotland (VIBES) Awards in and hosted a judges' visit in September.

Winners will be announced at a ceremony to be held at The Hub, Edinburgh on 26th November.

BOOK FAIR IS HAILED A SUCCESS

ScotAsh extended its commitment to lifelong learning by sponsoring a Children's Book Fair at this year's Culross Festival.

Author Jan Fearnley held workshops about her books, while Sheila Kinninmouth, an interactive storyteller, had groups of children spellbound.

The Edinburgh Acting School enacting the story of St Mungo and ran drama workshops.

Derek Burns of the Festival Committee said: "The Book Fair could not have gone ahead without ScotAsh's support. It was the success story of the Festival and more children attended than we anticipated. We look forward to extending the Book Fair to more even people in future."