

It's a Perfect 10 for ScotAsh



ScotAsh ended 2012 on a high note with the major safety achievement of 10 years without a Lost Time Injury to staff or contractors.

In that time, employees have between them clocked up an impressive total of 3,652 days or 560,678 hours of safe work.

Reaching the 10-year safety milestone came hard on the heels of ScotAsh being

awarded their sixth consecutive RoSPA Gold Aard and second Gold Medal.

Production Manager, Jim Donnelly said the company's big achievement is no accident – but down to every member of the team being fully engaged in safety and looking out for each other.

ScotAsh Director Allan Everett said: "Achieving 10 years without a LTI is a

magnificent achievement for an industrial site and every employee has contributed to our success by identifying risks and helping to put right anything that could potentially affect employee health and safety."

Having achieved 10 years without a Lost Time Injury, the company will continue to focus on making sure ScotAsh remains an injury-free zone.

GOING FORWARD TOGETHER!

Looking back at 2012, the year has seen a very strong performance for ScotAsh, especially given the difficult market conditions in the construction sector.

We continue to push forward with our Health and Safety programme and it was wonderful to achieve the 10-year milestone without having an accident.

Further recognition was achieved by being awarded our sixth consecutive RoSPA Gold Award and our second Gold Medal.

The construction sector remains depressed, but we are working even harder at maintaining high levels of customer service and ensuring we can continue to bring value to our customers.

You may have read about the recent Joint Venture between Lafarge (a parent company of ScotAsh) and Tarmac, owned by Anglo American plc. The 50:50 joint venture

Joint Venture will build on year of success

Director's Update by
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combines both companies' cement & lime, aggregates, readymix concrete, asphalt and asphalt surfacing, maintenance services, and waste services businesses to create the UK's leading construction materials and services

company. Lafarge Tarmac began trading on 7th January 2013, following final clearance from the UK Competition Commission.

For ScotAsh it will be business as normal, but with some new opportunities for our products going forward.

Finally, we have redesigned our web site, streamlining its content and giving it a fresh look. Please take a look and see what else has been going on at ScotAsh: www.scotash.com

PRIZE NIGHTS: SCOTASH'S WAY OF DOING BUSINESS IMPRESSES CONTEST JUDGES



ScotAsh is commended highly in the MX Awards

ScotAsh achieved a Highly Commended honour at the Manufacturing Excellence Awards 2012, run by the Institution of Mechanical Engineers.

ScotAsh was the only Scottish company among the 12 UK finalists of the MX programme, which each year recognises the best of British manufacturing

This year the company, was awarded a 'Highly Commended' in the People Effectiveness category at the ceremony, held at the Dorchester, London.

After completing a detailed audit last summer, the company was visited in October by a panel of judges and went through to the MX finals.

It is the second year in a row that ScotAsh has been recognised by the scheme – last year the company was shortlisted in the Sustainable Manufacturing category.

Philippa Oldham, Head of Manufacturing at the Institution of Mechanical Engineers, said of the 12 finalists, including ScotAsh:

"MX has a rigorous selection process, including a detailed benchmark process and visits to the plants by assessors, so these companies really represent the very best in UK industry."

Chris Bennett, ScotAsh's Sales & Quality Manager, said: "ScotAsh is proud to have done well again in the MX Awards and to know the way we manage and train our people is on a par with the best in the UK."

Green award: Chris receives the Fife Award from Paul McPherson of Green Business Fife and presenter Fred McAulay

Top table: from left, Walter Cairns, Jim Donnelly, Katrina Manson and Chris Bennett at the MX Awards

Sustainability success in the Fife Business Awards

ScotAsh won the Success Through Sustainability Award at the Fife Business Awards 2012.

The Award, sponsored by Green Business Fife, was presented to Sales & Quality Manager Chris Bennett at a ceremony held in the Rothies Halls, Glenrothes, at the end of last year.

The Success Through Sustainability Award is given to the Fife business that can demonstrate clear links between improvements to their company performance through sustainable and environmental processes and practices, or for companies that have developed new business opportunities arising from emerging environmental technologies and practices.

Chris Bennett said: "During the last two years we've made energy savings totalling over 120,000 kilowatts and reduced our carbon footprint by nearly 8%.

"We've also reduced the volume of waste we produce, increased our recycling, and made our packaging and logistics much more eco efficient.

"We're delighted that our efforts to be environmentally sustainable have been recognised with a Fife Business Award."

Chief Executive of Fife Chamber of Commerce Alan Russell said: "The category winners are 'best in class' and deserve their accolade.

"We celebrate their success in the hope that they will inspire others to start and grow successful businesses in the Kingdom."

Around 230 people attended the award ceremony, which was hosted by BBC Scotland's Fred MacAulay.



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