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SPICK AND SPAN!



Delivery lorries for Co-Op Logistics will remain spick and span thanks to the erection of a wash building by the AJE team.

The company, working for Smith Bros & Webb Britannia Washing Systems erected the structure at Dalcross.

Project manager, Allan Martin said: The job was to erect a wash bay in steelwork with cladding on two sides. The structure was 24m long x 6.25m wide x 6.7m high. The job took a week to complete and all material was supplied by the client. The job went very well with good weather allowing a smooth install."

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World class festival a wise choice for AJE

AJ Engineering is supporting the Findhorn Bay Festival which takes place this month. The company is a Bronze Sponsor of the six-day event which takes place from Wednesday 26 September to Monday 1 October 2018.

AJ Engineering has particular involvement in a new and unique theatre piece based on the Scottish literary work *The Buke of the Howlat* which will premier during the Festival. The story is brought to life through an intergenerational choir, dancers and circus performers, actors and visual installations.

General manager Graham Alexander met with the festival director Kresanna Aigner and set carpenter Christopher Boyd and designer Becky Minto to look over the designs for the staging and set. Becky had created her ideas for the set in miniature.

The Findhorn Bay Festival brings something for all with a vibrant mix of theatre and performance, exhibitions and live music, fine-art and photography, talks and tours.

More information about the festival can be found at www.findhornbayfestival.com.



From left: Graham Alexander, Christopher Boyd, Kresanna Aigner and Becky Minto

NEWCo team tee off to raise thousands for charity

Thousands of pounds have been raised for a charity supported by the NEWCo team in memory of a baby who died in Fort William.

Three teams from NEWCo, joined others from the Lochaber region to take part in a charity golf event which raised £4,524.50 for *Star For Harris*, a charity set up in memory of Harris who passed away at just 15-months-old after a battle with a cancerous brain tumour.

The charity is close to the heart of NEWCo general manager Neil Worsdall who is a close friend of Harris' parents.

He said: "We are absolutely thrilled with the amount that has been raised. It is a

phenomenal figure to raise in just one day. The golf was great fun and luckily the weather was kind to us."

The NEWCo team also fabricated a Minion-themed chiminea which was auctioned off at the event held at Fort William Golf Club fetching £240.

Harris was only seven months old when he was diagnosed. He underwent emergency brain surgery followed by gruelling and intense chemotherapy in Edinburgh at the Royal Hospital for Sick Children (RHSC).

Sadly, the tumours returned before the end of treatment and Harris passed away August 2010.

NEWCo team expands

NEWCo recently welcome new project manager William Lawrie to its team.

William comes from Fion Construction Ltd where he served for 12 years as the director/contracts manager.

William brings a wealth of experience in civils projects including roads and drainage schemes, road and pedestrian bridges, utilities work, street lighting works and various concrete structures.

He graduated in 1990 with B.Eng (Honours) in Civil Engineering and has worked for numerous contractors throughout Scotland including Morrison Construction, R J Macleod, Tulloch Civil Engineering and others.

Projects he has undertaken include Glensanda Quarry, Luss By-Pass, Dalkeith By-Pass, various Scottish Water Projects including Lochaber Mains Renewal and others.



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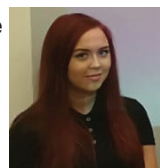
An audit of quality management systems within AJE has shown that the company is able to "consistently provide products and services which exceed customer expectation."

The audit now means that the firm has made a successful transition to the 2015 requirements of ISO 9001 for its Quality Management System.

The transition was possible due the continued efforts of its quality department, managers and all staff on site.

Grad apprentice 'engineers' speech at conference

AJE graduate apprentice Laura Mair gave an insight into her world of work at a business conference last month.



Laura spoke at the Moray Business Women's Annual Conference alongside other apprentices after being approached by DYW Moray to take to the floor.

Laura who joined AJE last September spoke about her experiences and how valuable her placement is.

HELP AJE CELEBRATE 20 YEARS OF BUSINESS!

AJE is celebrating its 20th birthday next year and the company plans to celebrate the milestone with a series of events throughout the year.

MD Alan James wants to form a "Celebration Committee" made up of staff from all the different departments to take forward ideas and come up with a plan of action for the whole of 2019.

If you want to help plan the events or have ideas, please contact Claire at claire@doughtypublicity.uk by September 7.