



Spring 2007

WELCOME

Hello and welcome to our Spring Newsletter. It's been a very busy start to the year at the Gelder Group. Record orders at the beginning of 2007 have enabled us to again increase employee numbers which now top 200 for the first time. In addition to this the group received the Quality Assurance Accreditation ISO 9001:2000 (see opposite). I was also extremely proud to attend the Local Authority Building Inspectors Awards evening and on behalf of the Gelder Group collect the award for the "Best Commercial Construction Project" (bottom right).

As I write we await delivery of another 13 vehicles one of which is our first skip lorry. This along with new premises purchased at Dunholme in January and land to the rear of our offices represent £½ million of investment into environmental projects and recycling. Subject to local authority approval we will, during the coming months begin to take the first steps towards recycling our waste and have set a target for the Group to recycle 80% of waste produced during 2008. I hope to report more on this exciting initiative during the coming months. Thankyou to all our customers and staff and for your continued support, I hope you enjoy this newsletter.



Steve Gelder MBE
Managing Director

Rapid Response Team

Within an hour of being contacted by Andy Taylor, Personal Insurance Advisor for Halifax General Insurance, our Insurance, Repair & Renovation Department was on site assessing the damage. The vehicle pictured became out of control and impacted into a home in the Derby area. Mick Millership attended the scene and his report, digital photos and priced schedule were with the insurers the same day, even before the vehicle had been removed.



Quality Assurance Awarded

Gelder Group has received confirmation for certification of Quality Assurance from the International Organisation for Standardisation known as ISO 9001:2000.

The benefits to this include an increased ability to meet customer requirements consistently and enhanced customer satisfaction. This accreditation was aided by the hard work of a dedicated in-house team including Internal Auditor Jim West, Major Contracts Director Kevin Manterfield-Ivory, and Quality Systems Management Representative Andrew McNair (left to right).

Months of hard work went into attaining the certification as the team worked to refine and implement quality systems, including working closely with the heads of each department. Gelder Group's senior management team have a very focused objective, that as part of the ongoing development of the company, the services and skills provided to customers should stand up to very high scrutiny. The company are extremely pleased to receive accreditation from such an internationally recognised organisation for the quality of its management systems. The great thing about such an accreditation is that it gives our customers further confidence that we are continually improving in order to give them the best possible service.



'Best Commercial Construction Project'

The Gelder Group were once again award winners at West Lindsey District Council Awards (7th year in succession). West Lindsey District Council Building Control Officers voted the New Build Drama Block & Dining Hall Extension to William Farr School the "Best Commercial Construction Project of 2006". The £2 million, 52 week project was completed for client Lincolnshire County Council and has received many accolades for its unusual design, with the main hall being constructed in the shape of a bell. The awards are the District Oscars of the building industry, voted for by professional building inspectors and each year there is strong competition in each category. Pictured is Managing Director Steve Gelder receiving the award from Council Deputy Leader Councillor Leaning.



Director welcomes MP to Country Park

Finance Director, Russell Cunliffe recently welcomed the Sports Minister Richard Cabourne MP to Barlborough for the opening of the Barlborough Country Park. This £250,000 project is to provide sports and leisure facilities for the local community. Russell is the Vice Chairman and Treasurer of the Country Park, as well as the Barlborough Junior under 10 football club, manager, with sponsorship from the Gelder Group's North Midlands Office, which is located at Barlborough.



Appointments



Rodney Fagg (left) has been appointed as insurance surveyor and will be working at our Head Office. Rodney has over 40 years experience in the industry and joins us from Lindum Construction where he held a variety of positions; including, estimator, buyer and quantity surveyor.

Phil Middleton (right) has been appointed as insurance surveyor and will be working at our North Midlands Office, Barlborough. Phil joins us from Eastwood Construction, where he worked for 7 years as a Property Services Manager.



Glen Simpson (left) will also be working from our North Midlands Office as a Contracts Manager. Glen previously ran his own double glazing business, dealing in the manufacture and supply of double glazed units, windows and conservatories.

Dave Stainton (right) joins our Head Office team as Stores Manager, David has over 20 years experience in logistics, his previous positions include UK Operations Manager for De-Rijke a logistic company and Stock Controller for Aspinal technologies.



Employee figures at the group have risen by 26 since our last newsletter bringing the total to 220.

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Gelder Walking Weekend 15th-16th Sept
(REVISED DATE - REVISED DATE!)

Gelder Camping Weekend 9th-10th June
Lincolnshire Show 20th -21st June

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Gelder Day Lincoln F.C.

On Saturday 19th February 2007, 124 employees, partners, customers and children enjoyed corporate hospitality whilst watching Lincoln City beat Torquay United 1-0.

Lincoln City Football Club named the day 'Gelder Day' due to the amount of people the group brought with them, occupying two executive boxes and the sponsor's lounge. Included in the group attending the game were 55 children, 48 of whom received morning coaching from Lincoln City's football in the community staff before meeting and receiving more coaching prior to the match from Daniel Magness (pictured with some of the children).



Daniel won the UK 'Keepy Uppy' championship at the age of 17 after keeping the ball up non stop for an incredible 13.5 hours. He also personally trained all of the stars in the recent Pringles television advert including Steven Gerrard, Djibril Cisse and Roberto Carlos.

Congratulations to....

Matt Carter, Technical Manager celebrates the birth of his second child, Ruby Grace Carter, born at 6.05am on 23rd March 2007 weighing 9lb 9oz. Fleet Coordinator and Plant Specialist David Leak also celebrates the birth of his second son George Benjamin Leak, born on 18th March 2007, weighing 8lb 2.5oz.



Pictured is David with George and his older brother Harry. Everyone at the Gelder Group wishes both families all the best for the future.



British Kickboxing Champion

Gelder Group Joiner, Steven Swinburn, recently won the 'European Federation of Kickboxing's' British Title Steven currently holds the British Titles of 'International Sport of Kickboxing Association', 'Global Kickboxing Promotion' and the 'Golden Belt Marshal Arts', making Steven the undisputed British Kickboxing Champion. In September he will move up a class and will fight for the European Title.



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