



Spring 2017

Hello and welcome to our spring newsletter,

When our communications team approached me about the benefit of sponsoring a 6ft high blue knight on a horse (see opposite) I thought they were completely mad!

However, it appears I was wrong. Sir Build-A-lot (as he's been nicknamed) has now travelled all over the country in his own livered vehicle visiting clients, suppliers and some of the UK's most well-known land marks. He has his own Facebook and Twitter account, he's facilitated meetings with new customers, generated us much publicity and all whilst helping raise thousands of pounds for charity, quite incredible.

I hope 2017 has got off to a good start for you. BREXIT issues, election, weak exchange rates etc etc are giving it a bit of a spiky feel at the moment, but putting aside the headlines we've made a solid start to 2017 and have a very strong order book, so I'm feeling positive about the year ahead.



Thanks for your continued support and keep well.

Best Regards

Steve Gelder MBE
Chief Executive Officer



Gelder Knight

Gelder Group have sponsored the Lincoln Knights' Trail commemorating the 800th anniversary of the Battle of Lincoln. The Knights' Trail will be raising much needed funds for the Nomad Trust, a local charity who provide accommodation for Lincoln's homeless population.

Before being placed in Castle Square, Lincoln from 30th May - 2nd September, the Knight has been touring the country and has picked up many followers on Facebook and Twitter, to follow his adventures visit @GelderKnight.



Pictured: Gelder Knight on tour in London.

Major Contract forward order book reaches £22m

Following a successful 2016 our Major Contracts Division have secured a number of new projects in the first few months of the year. These projects include a new fire station in Newark, offices and factory in Northamptonshire, housing in Leicestershire, improvements to a Victorian building in Buxton and retail units in Lincoln.

Commenting on the order book Major Contacts Director, Kevin Manterfield said "I have an amazing team whose 2016 performance is to be congratulated and I look forward to working with our clients on all of the new projects this year".

Pictured: Steel frame erected at the North Sea Observatory, Chapel St Leonards.



Expansion for Facilities Maintenance and Building Division

January saw the opening and expansion of the newly named Gelder Facilities Maintenance and Building division's office in Sheffield. The new office is located in Chapeltown, Sheffield and is now home to a team of Estimators and Quantity Surveyors. This team will provide a key role in assisting with the continued growth of the evolving division.

James Flintham (Senior Quantity Surveyor/Estimator) commented, "The Facilities, Maintenance and Building division is already seeing the benefits of the investment in this new office and staff which has already secured £500k of new orders in a very short period of time."



Ecolab Training

On Wednesday 12th April, the Xeric team hosted delegates from Ecolab for a one day presentation and demonstration/simulation of their pest elimination services. The event was organised by David Stainton (Xeric Manager) and James Pickering (Xeric Team Leader) and was targeted at pest elimination within the hospitality industry. Xeric technicians, Keith Brazier and John Dennis, were also on site and helping with the practical demonstrations. For more information on Xeric and the services it offers, visit www.xericltd.com.



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New Appointments



Mathew came to us from working as a manager at McDonald's and is now part of the LOVEDIY team.

He has a martial arts background with over 10 years experience and not only has a love for DIY but films too. If Mathew isn't training or filming he's probably gaming. He really enjoys his new role and the benefits of having an 8-5 lifestyle.



Samantha Green joins the team at Barlborough as a Claims Coordinator. Samantha has completed a Pitman training course and is currently doing a course on Sage 50 Accountancy Level 1. Samantha's partner is a bricklayer/foreman so working in an office for a company titled 'Everything in Construction' suits her.



Leanne Johnson also joins the team at Barlborough as a Claims Coordinator after previously working for the Post Office as a Counter Clerk. Following a three year engagement Leanne married her partner Daniel in 2016.

Gelder Group Attain SafeHire Certification

Gelder Group hires out equipment to a host of companies and has recently been audited by The Hire Association Europe to gain SafeHire accreditation. To gain the accreditation we had to show evidence that we operate to very high standards in Health and Safety, procedures and processes, and maintain equipment to an equally high standard. We are very pleased to announce that after three months of hard work by the whole team, we achieved the SafeHire standard on our very first audit.



New Gelder Group Website Launched

After months of work and contributions from all areas of the company, we are proud to announce the launch of our new Gelder Group website. The new website has been completely rebuilt to help showcase what we're working on and what we can do, and also to provide a useful resource for our existing and potential customers.



Amongst its new features, the website has improved security, navigation, structure and search, making it easier to get to the content you're interested in. The website has also been designed to work across multiple device types, including desktops, laptops, tablets, and phones. Our IT team assures us that the website has some serious engineering behind it, making it super-fast and very easy to keep up-to-date.

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