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2017 CSA Award Winners Announced

Launched just three years ago, the CSA Awards programme is already regarded by many as one of the building sectors most valued sector wide initiatives. By recognising and rewarding those companies and individuals that 'go the extra mile' and by acting as a motivator to encourage more companies to fulfil their potential, the core values of the Commissioning Specialists Association are reflected through this annual awards programme.

This year's CSA Awards Dinner was again held at the Copthorne Effingham Park Hotel, near Gatwick Airport, on the evening of Thursday 15th June.

Heralded a great success, thanks and appreciation are again offered to each of the sponsors for their valued support and backing, namely Johnson Controls, Modern Building Services, BSRIA Instrument Solutions, Ashford Environmental Services, Cross Count, Marflow Hydronics and Airtech Premier.

The evening's celebrations commenced at 7.00pm with a champagne drinks reception, followed by a delicious 3-course banquet. The awards ceremony was then conducted to great applause, with all the finalists and eight worthy winners being invited up on stage to be presented with their certificates & trophies.





After dinner entertainment followed with the very funny Ian Irving, one of the country's leading and most sought after mainstream entertainers. His humour, delivery and sheer enthusiasm won him countless new friends, and helped to cement an already enjoyable evening. He concluded with an amusing game of Head's & Tails, which was conducted on behalf of the CSA Chairman's nominated charity CRY – Cardiac Risk in the Young. A fantastic £1600.00 was collected through this activity, which will help to raise awareness about young sudden cardiac death and the work that CRY does to prevent such tragedies.

Musical entertainment, a fun casino and networking in the bar continued until the early hours, with a Survivors Breakfast being served for those still enjoying the party.

Commenting on this year-three event, CSA Chairman, Andrew Watkin said "Once again the CSA Awards proved to be a huge success and provided an excellent forum through which to celebrate business and professional excellence right across the commissioning arena. I would like to personally congratulate all the finalists and winners for their wonderful contributions, both to the awards programme and of course to the wider industry.

He continued, "I would also like to thank our sponsors, and everyone who attended, as without them we would not be able to stage such an event."

Terry Sharp, Regional Products Manager, UK and Ireland, Johnson Controls and one of the category sponsors added, " In my mind, the CSA Awards Ceremony is a truly unique event that brings together an industry intent on collaborating and cooperating to encourage training and development of its people. I would congratulate all those involved in staging what was another successful event."

Roger Carling, Managing Director, Ashford Environmental Services , who were both Sponsor and Finalist, concluded, "Ashford have been proud sponsors of the 'Engineer of the Year' category since the inaugural awards some 3 years ago. This has always been a fantastic event and 2017 proved to be no exception. The Gala Awards Dinner was once again superbly produced, managed and organised, and a thoroughly enjoyable evening was had by all. If you haven't attended one of these awards yet, you're in for a treat. Get booking for next year. If you don't, you'll wish you had. And of course, if you're not in it, you can't win it, so why not submit and entry too!"



Meet the Winners

The 2017 CSA Awards focused on best practice in key areas of commissioning, including innovation and achievement, energy saving, sales growth, customer care and service provision. On the night, four companies and three individuals were awarded, as follows:-

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Project of the Year

Sponsored by Johnson Controls

Awarded to Banyard Consultants for the Christie NHS Foundation Trust Proton Beam Therapy Centre

Banyards led the commissioning management for Interserve Engineering Services on the Christie NHS Foundation Trust Proton Beam Therapy Centre project and has been influential in the success of the project to date. It is one of only two facilities in the UK, and this innovative form of radiotherapy will enable the NHS to treat patients with some of the most complex forms of cancer. The Interserve testimonial said: 'They [Banyards] are exceeding expectations, demonstrating an exceptional ability to understand the interaction between the building's systems and associated integration. Banyards have a total understanding of the contractor's and client's needs and the complexity of working in this challenging environment.'



Product Innovation of the Year

Sponsored by CSA

Awarded to Lindab for its Ultralink

UltraLink is described as an 'HVCA speedometer' that provides incredibly accurate information on the flowrate and temperature of air in a duct. Airflows down to 0.1 m/s can be measured, enabling VAV systems to have higher turndown ratios and save more energy. There is no obstacle in the airstream, making for easier cleaning/timesaving, less pressure drop and systems that are more energy efficient. Tests at a test institute showed less than 5% measurement uncertainty with air velocity down to 0.5 m/s and less than 10% down to 0.1 m/s. 27 UltraLink units have been successfully installed in a Power House in Norway.



Commissioning Provider of the Year

Sponsored by Modern Building Services

Awarded to Airtech Premier

When GSK needed specialist commissioning works for a complex project associated with modifying three large laboratories, Airtech Premier was called in at the very early stages to assist with the design of the new HVAC systems. Airtech was instrumental in implementing new pressure-control systems and coming up with innovative solutions. One of the main difficulties was maintaining the integrity of other laboratories on the floor. GSK commented: 'Airtech Premier provides a very specialist and dedicated services with regards to pharmaceutical commissioning which, in my opinion, is far and above the capabilities of other commissioning companies that only concentrate on air and water balancing.'



Investment in Training Award

Sponsored by BSRIA Instrument Solutions

Awarded to Banyard Consultants

As an Investor in People (Gold) Banyard is committed to continuous training and development of its staff, linked back to its core value 'People are our greatest asset'. The multitude of training programmes includes the Academy of Chief Executives' leadership and management programme, CSA Distance Learning Courses, CSA Grade 4 examinations, electrical awareness and safety management, along with conventional health-and-safety training. Academic training has seen staff undertaking HNC, HND and building degrees at Mid Kent College and Southbank University.



Student of the Year

Sponsored by CSA

Awarded to Adam Harris, End Systems

Adam joined End Systems in 2010 after working for two years with Centriflow. He has since worked his way through the CSA Distance Learning Course Parts A, B, C and Grade 4. He has recently completed his Grade 5 thesis. He is described as an enthusiastic and dedicated commissioning engineer with an attitude of complete professionalism.



Engineer of the Year

Sponsored by Ashford Environmental Services

Awarded to Nicholas Boardman, End Systems

Since joining End Systems from school, Nicholas has shown great commitment to the training and support offered by the company through his college achievements and through the CSA Distance Learning Courses. His aim is to progress to project-manager level. A client testimonial for a project on which he was lead commissioning engineer remarks on how he 'brought with him a great team ethos of working together to get the job done' and how 'he showed great determination and work ethic on meeting extremely tight deadlines'. His employer finds him a most-dedicated employee who in the future will be offered a position relevant to his achievements.



Lifetime Contribution

Sponsored by CSA

Awarded to John Coppin

This year's Lifetime Contribution Award winner was present at the inaugural CSA meeting back in 1990 and has been on our Technical Sub-Committee ever since. He took over as Chairman of the Technical Committee in 2006 and worked tirelessly producing new technical publications and was instrumental in producing the 2015 Engineers Compendium before he retired as Chairman in 2015.

John began his career with Haden Young before moving Trane Refrigeration where he obtained his in depth knowledge of the refrigeration discipline. He then joined Ove Arup and worked with them for 28 years until he retired in 2008.



See the Photos

A gallery of images taken on the night can be found on the awards website - www.csa-awards.co.uk - and clearly illustrate what a fun evening it was, truly reflecting an evening of success and celebration. If you have would like to register your interest in attending the 2018 Awards Dinner, and join in the celebration of commissioning excellence, please contact the organisers on 07785 290034 or complete the enquiry form on the website.

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