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Newsletter

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2011 has just barged its way through the door and we hope it brings with it a New Year full of hope and new opportunities – we wish you all a very "Happy New Year".

WRAP/EA Quality Protocol – Members Workshop

Towards the end of November 2010 the UKQAA held a members' workshop covering the implementation of the WRAP/EA Quality Protocol for PFA.

The workshop ran smoothly with presentations not only being given by the UKQAA's Technical Director Lindon but also the Environment Agency for England and Wales and various UKQAA member companies.

The day was thought to be well worth while and useful by those that attended.

Lindon has produced dedicated web pages on this subject in both the members area and public access parts of the UKQAA website. They explain in some detail how the system works, etc.

Should you have any questions or queries on this issue, please do not hesitate to contact us and we shall endeavour to answer them.

You may be interested to hear we are planning to run an "end user" workshop in the New Year on this subject.

UKQAA Website Update

As well as the new general Quality Protocol web pages (mentioned in the previous section), we have a new information page on the website entitled Complying with the Quality Protocol for PFA Grouting, which contains links to a flurry of new Best Practice Guides and a new datasheet – the following is a link to this new page:

http://www.ukqaa.org.uk/QualityProtocol/Grouts.html

Out and About:

DCE – Stoke – November 2011: Lindon and Yvonne took our exhibition stand along to this DCE event at the Best Western Stoke-on-Trent Moat House Hotel. We had not been to this venue before but exhibitions elsewhere in Stoke-on-Trent had gone well for us in the past. Lindon gave a presentation on the applications of PFA in Construction in their seminar programme.

Future Events planned

LJMU 10th International Conference – February 2011: Lindon is visiting as a delegate here and taking our exhibition stand along. This event is hosted by The School of the Built Environment at Liverpool John Moores University in association with Tarmac Ltd and The Road Surface Treatments Association (RSTA).

This conference aims to address research and practical applications using sustainable construction materials and technology in asphalt, pavement engineering and highways maintenance. They are hoping to attract highway related consultants, materials suppliers, specifiers, planners, environmental regulators, construction companies, surfacing contractors etc.

The UK Concrete Show 2011 – February 2011: We are exhibiting at this event which is taking place at the Ricoh Arena Coventry. The show aims to bring together all of the concrete industry under one roof to see the new and innovative with opportunities to meet and network.

Alongside the exhibition stands there will be live product demonstrations, training classes, a range of seminars and free parking is an added bonus. The show organisers are looking to attract all concrete industry professionals, specialist contractors, engineers, architects and specifiers.

Ecobuild 2011 – March 2011: Things are well under way as regards preparing for this event. Risk Assessments and Health & Safety declarations have now been completed along with the creation of an on-line profile for us on the Ecobuild website.

ecobuild
tuesday 01 – thursday 03 march 2011
ExCeL london www.ecobuild.co.uk

Just out of interest here is a little more information about Ecobuild. It is the world's largest event for sustainable design, construction and the built environment and the UK's largest construction event of any kind. Last year Ecobuild attracted over 41,000 visitors and this year there will be more than 1300 exhibitors, 100+ free seminars plus the Ecobuild Conference, interactive attractions and live demonstrations.

DCE – Oxford – April 2011: Lindon and Yvonne are taking our exhibition stand along to this DCE event being held at The Oxford Centre.

eco SHOWCASE – Newcastle-upon-Tyne – May 2011: We have taken stand space at this event run by Framework media who took over Hargould Exhibitions a couple of years ago.

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