

# WEDGE LOCAL

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## John Retires After 32 years

The team at Scottish Galvanizers has said a fond farewell to John Cameron after 32 years with the company. John, father of the plant's General Manager, Paul Cameron, started at the facility in 1981 and carried out various roles during his time with the plant, before he was promoted to Senior Production Supervisor, and part of the management team.

Paul Tait, Commercial Manager at the plant, said: "John's expertise and dedication was a real asset to everyone who worked with him and he will be sorely missed by all the team. As a mark of our appreciation, we presented John with a crystal tankard and would like to wish him a very happy and relaxing retirement."



John Cameron receives his tankard from Paul Tait

## Lee Puts Best Foot Forward

Lee Dickens, Sales Manager at B.E.Wedge, took part in Wolverhampton's Best Foot Forward event held on 12th July at Aldersley Athletics Stadium. The initiative was run by the Rotary Club of Wolverhampton to raise vital funds for Compton Hospice, Children in Need and the Rotary Charitable Trust, with individuals sponsored to complete laps of the track in return for match-funding.

Lee successfully completed 63 laps of the track equating to a fantastic 15.5 miles which saw him come 36th out of 436 people, with participants raising £13,450 in total for the local charities. It has been a busy few months for Lee, who

also completed the Wolverhampton Half Marathon on 7th September 2014 in a fantastic one hour and 46 minutes, raising £450 for Cancer Research UK.

Lee said: "The events were both really enjoyable and it was fantastic to be able to raise so much for the charities, which really rely on donations. I look forward to undertaking the challenges again and participating in more in the future."



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# Fun All-Round for Manchester Staff



Danielle Cresswell (Manchester Galvanizing) and family at Wareing's Fun Day

Employees at Manchester Galvanizing were invited along to a family fun day held by long-standing customer, Wareing Buildings, a manufacturer and supplier of steel framed buildings. The special occasion was held on 20th September at the firm's Wrea Green site and saw over a thousand customers and employees come together for a day of fun and activities. The day very much catered for all the family and saw a mini fair complete with trampoline and bouncy castle in the

yard, a tasty spread of afternoon tea and a spit roast in the evening with guests also enjoying entertainment from a live band.

Sally Wareing of Wareing Buildings explained: "We held the fun day as a thank you to our customers and staff who are really important to us as a family business. Although it was held with this in mind, we were delighted to also raise over £1,000 for Trinity Hospice following kind donations from guests."

## Humber in Full Swing

Humber Galvanizing held its annual golf event at Cottingham Parks Golf and Leisure Club on 12th September. The day welcomed customers from across Lincolnshire, as well as north, south, and east Yorkshire, with Jon Waugh from East Yorkshire Aluminium &

Glass crowned as the overall winner. A special mention should be given to Nick Ward from East Yorkshire Aluminium for the longest drive, and Simon Goff from Cambridge HOK for the nearest pin.

Tony Linsley said: "The event was a

great success as always, and was well-attended by employees and customers alike who all had great fun. We'd also like to thank Cottingham Parks for welcoming us and their superb hospitality as usual."



Left - right  
Glenn Richie, Jim Lindsay, Darren Broughton, Martin Hardy



Left - right  
Paul Richardson, Richard Speake, Norman Loughlin, Robert Watson



# Eight Clock Up 168 Years!

Wedge is celebrating after eight employees marked 21 years dedicated service with a special 21 club dinner dance. Guests included Edward Howell's Rob McKinley who

has worked in all areas of the factory from preparation to final inspection and finishing, and Peter Humble, Quality Assurance Manager from the regional office, who were both presented with a

watch to mark the long service. Andy Parry, also from Edward Howell, and Robert Owen and Allan Robertson from Scottish Galvanizing were all presented with a watch after the occasion.



Left - right - Rob McKinley and Jeremy Woolridge - Executive Chairman



Left to Right - Peter Humble and Jeremy Woolridge - Executive Chairman



Andy Parry - Edward Howells - with his 21 watch

## Selwyn Sprints for Charity

Selwyn Parrish, Commercial Manager at East Anglian, undertook his first half marathon on 17th August, completing the Kimbolton Castle Half Marathon in just one hour and 49 minutes. The run was in aid of the British Heart Foundation which raised over £1000 on the day. In April 2015, Selwyn will be participating in the London Marathon raising money for The Papworth Trust, a charity that supports people living with disabilities.

Selwyn explained: "This was the first half

marathon I've completed, and although it was hard-going towards the end, I was delighted to break the two hour barrier, I have since completed the Great Eastern half marathon improving my time by 3 minutes. I've also begun my training programme for the London Marathon next year, so if anyone would like to sponsor me, please do get in touch via email [selwyn.parrish@wedge-galv.co.uk](mailto:selwyn.parrish@wedge-galv.co.uk) or look out for the email early next year with the link for my Just Giving site."



## Scottish Tee-Off

With Scotland chosen as the home of the Ryder Cup this year, golf fever really has swept the nation and what better time for the team at Scottish to have held their biennial golf tournament. On 11th July, twenty-four customers and colleagues joined together for a round of golf at the PGA Centenary Course in Gleneagles (which was also incidentally home to this year's Ryder Cup).

Paul Tait said: "This year's event was a huge success and the sun shone as we made our way round the world-class course. We'd like to thank everyone for making it such a great day, and to offer our congratulations to the overall winner, Tom Cuthbertson from CTM Fabrications. We very much look forward to the next event."



# Wear it Pink!

Staff at Head Office/B E Wedge and Edward Howells held a special 'Wear it Pink' day recently to raise money for Macmillian Breast Cancer. A total of £324.70 was raised through raffles and cake sales. Well done everyone who contributed and made the day a great success.



Head Office Staff in the Pink

# Manchester Scores for Charity

The team at Manchester has taken part in a fundraising initiative to raise money for Lennox Children's Cancer Fund. Employees and customers paid £2 each to select a football team, with the lucky winner, Ste Cooper, picking the winning team and collecting £100. A further £100 was donated to the charity, which aims to make a positive difference to children living with cancer. Danielle Creswell, Customer Service and Sales Coordinator, explained: "We regularly get involved in fundraising initiatives at the plant, and the Lennox Children's Cancer Fund is a great cause and one we have supported on a number of occasions in the past."

# Choir Aids Local Charity

Robin Fry, Director of HR, was delighted to discover his choir recently raised £1500 for Compton Hospice and other charities. Robin, who is a member of Penn Singers in Wolverhampton, explained that this particular donation arose from a performance at Penn United Reformed Church in October: "The concert was a huge success and we were really pleased to raise such a large sum of money for Compton Hospice and other local charities."

The mixed choir, which has 80 members, entertained the audience with songs from the Lion King, Les Miserable and even classics such as Bridge over Troubled Water.

Robin continued: "The choir is great fun and we sing a mix of songs, we have even sung in Russian, Latin and Afrikaans. The Christmas concert will be held on 6th and 8th December at Penn United Reformed Church and all are welcome. Our events are well-attended and all proceeds raised go to local charities."



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