



BUSINESS AWARDS 2010

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Presentation Dinner

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WELCOME

Welcome to the 2010 Citizen and Gloucestershire Echo Business Awards presentation dinner.

The awards are now in their thirteenth year, and despite the current economic climate we have a record attendance of over 650 people. The number of companies registering was also a record high this year and the standard of entries was excellent. They have all been through a highly rigorous process to become a finalist tonight.

The growth of this event highlights the strength of business and confidence in Gloucestershire. Working together will enable our county to ride through the economic storm.

Gloucestershire Media's vision is to share and celebrate success and is at the heart of the business community through our Business Awards. Our passion is to recognise business talent and I firmly believe we have some of the best talent in the country. However, we would not be able to host these awards without the support of our sponsors and I would like to thank them for their ongoing commitment.

Thank you for being here tonight and I hope you enjoy the evening of celebrating talent in business. Good luck to all the finalists.

Sarah Irvine

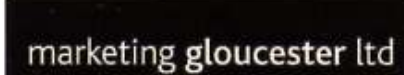
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UNIVERSITY OF GLOUCESTERSHIRE is passionate about providing promising futures for students, staff and the local community. Now in its tenth year the university helps people learn, challenging unsustainable thinking, reducing environmental footprints, improving opportunities, sharing knowledge and enabling learning from each other. Innovation and creative thinking, combined with valuable work experience and placements make our students stand out from the crowd. We apply these principles of innovation, creativity and enterprise not only to our students, but in the considerable work we do with our local business community.



ADEY PROFESSIONAL HEATING SOLUTIONS pioneered and manufactures magnetic filtration products for the central heating sector. It was founded in 2003 by Chris Adey to combat iron oxide sludge that reduces the efficiency of central heating systems and leads to break downs. The patented MagnaClean technology has created a new industry with Adey Professional Heating Solutions as its leader.



INNOV8TIVE SOFTWARE is helping lost pets find their way back home. The company's AniLog® Animal Welfare Management System is a groundbreaking product with a multitude of integrated technologies that has proven productivity and financial savings for animal welfare rehoming charities and organisations.



WINDOWBASE supplies sales prospect data to companies selling to the construction sector in the UK and Eire. Developed this year, the company's Prospect Manager system enables customers to access the data they need via the internet.



SIGNET ARMORLITE EUROPE uses digital computer cutting to produce high quality lenses for spectacles. These are sold via a network of over 130 Kodak Lens Vision Centres around the UK. The digital process allows more complex curves, to be created therefore allowing for greater accuracy.



SUNSET COFFINS makes its 100 per cent eco friendly products from recycled newspapers. The company began manufacturing bespoke items in plastic and timber in 1996, but the idea to introduce coffins to the range arose from a growing demand for funerals with low, or no environmental impact.

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MEET THE JUDGES

ANNE COMPTON, MANAGING PARTNER, RICKERBYS LLP

Anne Compton read law at Cambridge University and worked in London before moving to Gloucestershire in 1990. She was appointed a partner in Rickerbys' Corporate Team in 1995 and became the firm's managing partner in 2005. Rated by clients for her "clarity of thought and sound judgment", Anne is a member of the Association of Partnership Practitioners and sits on the South West Committee of the Managing Partners Forum. She also has an MBA in Legal Practice.



IAN SELWOOD, PARTNER, RANDALL AND PAYNE ACCOUNTANTS

Ian Selwood has worked at Randall and Payne since he left school and gained a great deal of commercial experience working with clients and helping to grow the firm.

He specialises in helping business owners achieve their goals and says he finds the job constantly fascinating. Ian is always looking at ways to innovate and improve the service offered to clients. A key part of his job is spending time talking to clients and supporting them through the good times and the bad.



SARAH IRVINE, MANAGING DIRECTOR, NORTHCLIFFE MEDIA, GLOUCESTERSHIRE, SOMERSET AND DORSET

Sarah Irvine has worked in the regional press for 18 years and is MD of a number of the biggest media companies in the region including Gloucestershire Media, which became part of her portfolio in January 2010. She is in charge of hundreds of staff as well as dozens of regional newspapers, magazines and websites. Sarah is passionate about business, passionate about people and believes that the regional press is there to provide community cohesion and to celebrate local life.



PROFESSOR BARRY J DAVIES, ASSOCIATE DEAN, BUSINESS SCHOOL, UNIVERSITY OF GLOUCESTERSHIRE

Before becoming an academic, Barry worked in department and chain stores as a buyer and manager. He still works on retailing subjects, such as the way store environments affect our shopping behaviour. His work has taken him to the United States, China, Singapore, Japan and mainland Europe.

Barry serves on the editorial boards of five academic journals and is founding editor of the International Journal of Management Cases.



SUZANNE HALL-GIBBINS, BUSINESS LINK AND GLOUCESTERSHIRE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY DIRECTOR

Suzanne Hall-Gibbins is the Business Link area director for Gloucestershire and director responsible for the Gloucestershire Chamber of Commerce and Industry. Both organisations are part of GWE Business West, providing services to over 2500 businesses in the South West. Before joining Business Link Suzanne spent 15 years in the private sector working at director and CEO level primarily in IT and strategic consultancy.



A Warm Welcome to...

ANDY WILLETT, AREA COMMERCIAL DIRECTOR, HSBC BANK PLC

Andy Willett has recently been appointed the new area commercial director for HSBC Gloucestershire. Having joined the bank in 1978, Andy has since served in a variety of senior management positions including branch manager West Bromwich, regional head of multi cultural banking, and deputy area commercial director north west Midlands. He brings with him a wealth of commercial banking experience and is looking forward to working with the local business community in Gloucestershire to help achieve their goals and aspirations. Andy is delighted to find that one of his first duties will be to attend the Gloucestershire Business Awards ceremony and meet the local businesses that have enjoyed success in the last year.



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