



CORKE INSTRUMENT ENGINEERING LABOUR HIRE & TRAINING MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

December 2010

Corke Christmas Message

I would like to thank you for all for your efforts and support over the past year.

As Corke Instrument Engineering look to the future, and work towards the growth of the departments and company, we could only achieve this with everyone's teamwork.

We have successfully secured several new clients this year due to the efforts of our team.

I would like to acknowledge and congratulate the Labour Hire, Training and Service departments for their support and dedication to the company during times of change.

The efforts have been appreciated and will ensure that the departments grow in the coming months & years.

I wish you all a great break and you and your families a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

I look forward to the challenges and targets we can set ourselves and achieve in 2011.

Thank you,

Pat Goldie

Corke Industrial Relations Update

Over the past four months Corke Instrument Engineering has been in discussions with NECA & the ETU over a new EBA.

These discussions have gone well with an in principle agreement being reached with only wording to be agreed.

The draft agreement should be in place by January 2011 with distribution of the document to Corke employees and a vote hopefully completed around the end of January 2011.

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- *Welcome Apprentices / Congratulations*

Corke Business Development &
Major Projects Teams



***Kirk Anderson
Business Development***



***Reg Corke
Strategic Business Development***



***Neville Batt
Major Project Supervisor***



***Mark Scott
Major Project Supervisor***

SAFETY ALERT

Electric shock death a wake-up call for sparkies

18 November 2010

An electrician has died after receiving an electric shock on Saturday, in one of two workplace incidents last week where an electrician was injured.

The 37 year-old man was carrying out repairs on a main switchboard at an office complex in South Bank when he received the shock.

WorkSafe is investigating the incident, which is the second workplace death from electric shock injuries this year.

The second incident last week involving an electrician occurred on Friday at Olympic Park in Jolimont.

A man in his twenties sustained burns to his upper body after a live cable made contact with the metal frame of a switchboard he was working on.

“In the lead-up to Christmas, we’re asking electricians to be on high alert to the dangers on working on switchboards or on electrical installations,” he said.

“If you’re working on a construction site, safe systems of work around electricity are mandatory.

“And if you’re supervising workers, you need make sure your workers understand and are complaint with these systems.

“It’s not enough just to set up safe systems of work – they need to be used,” he said.

Mr Forsyth said that electricians could reduce the risk of injury by following basic safety practices.

“Basic practices like keeping your site tidy and wearing the correct personal protective equipment, safety glasses, and long sleeved clothing which isn’t synthetic can make all the difference.

“Experience shows us that there are few safety incidents that could not have been predicted and therefore prevented,” he said.

Energy Safe Victoria has released a two-part video documentary on the risks of working live. To view the videos, go to www.esv.vic.gov.au

Mo'vember

Each year Movember is responsible for the sprouting of moustaches on thousands of men's faces in Australia and around the world, with the sole aim of raising vital funds and awareness for men's health, specifically prostate cancer and depression in men.

This year Corke's Altona Treatment Plant team took on the challenge and grew Mo's.

The team would like to thank everyone for their support over the month and remind everyone if you haven't donated its not too late just jump on the website, <http://au.movember.com/> and follow the links.

The Corke crew managed to raise almost \$900. Great work!

Once again for those who supported the event thank you – the money goes along way to help with men health issues.

Find below a picture of our MOVEMBER Corke Altona Treatment Plant Team



Monthly Toolbox Topic

This month's toolbox topic is "**Happy and Safe Holiday**".

If you have not yet completed the toolbox topic for the month, could I please request that you complete it before the end of the month and send through a training attendance form or email Wayne Wright (Wayne.Wright@corke.com.au) noting your completion of the topic.

Welcome

To new 1st year Electrical Apprentices:
Richard Grant
Aaron Wood

They commence working for Corke on Monday January 17th.
Please make them welcome to the team.

Congratulations

To Cameron Heath, Cameron's attention to details and safety focus were critical to ensuring that the activity of reaming the FCC Regan Cat Plug valve DP was conducted flawlessly at the Mobil Refinery in Altona.
Cameron researched the job and design of the DP point and during execution of the work Cameron also stopped to verify information before proceeding further. Mobil Refinery, in recognizing individual contributors for their efforts and in conveying their appreciation have awarded Cameron a \$50 voucher.

We would all like to congratulate Craig Cann on his successfully passing his Electrical Licence exams. Craig has done very well over the course of his electrical apprenticeship and he should feel proud of the work & school results he has achieved.

We would also like to congratulate Josh Baker on his 2nd Year apprenticeship award for schooling results.



CORKE INSTRUMENT ENGINEERING MANAGEMENT
WISH ALL STAFF, CUSTOMERS, SUPPLIERS AND FAMILIES
A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

Remember to stay safe over the Christmas break and we look forward to
working with you in 2011.

**THE CORKE INSTRUMENT ENGINEERING OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED
OVER THE CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR BREAK
FROM FRIDAY DECEMBER 17th, RE-OPENING MONDAY JANAUARY 10th.**
There will be a small amount of staff in the office over this time.
If you have any urgent requirements please contact our office on 03 9362 4100.

**Please note we have a 24 hour Instrumentation and Electrical Maintenance and Breakdown Service .
Should you require this Service please phone 0418 517 748**

Have Your Say

If you have any information story, upcoming event that you would like mentioned in the newsletter; please don't hesitate in forwarding the information through to either myself or Rebecca Anderson (rebecca.anderson@corke.com.au).



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