

Kolorseal at NFA

Kolorseal has once again committed to sponsoring the National Fenestration Awards (NFA) but has upgraded to an ambassador sponsorship.

Deborah Hendry, managing director at Kolorseal, says: “The NFAs have been gaining massive popularity over the last few years and bring a healthy competitive edge to business.”

Hendry says she believes that by being peer led it is evident that many brands can benefit from association with the NFAs. She says: “The rising influence of social media, online and digital platforms enable a company to truly benefit from the advantages gained from sponsorship.

“The success of these awards is primarily due to the fact that they bring about healthy competition but also help to unify the sector.

“People have really become fans of the NFAs and enjoy meeting up at the annual winners’ event. It is an excellent way to learn about those innovating the sector with new and improved products.

“Also, when there is a competition on the cards it brings about great exposure and good rivalry for winners and nominees alike.

“The industry as a whole uses social media as a real time news resource, so via the NFA platforms, it gives companies far greater scope. Brands have new opportunities to remain a talking point and react to the narrative they want to highlight. It is very exciting to be supporting the NFAs once again.” □

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Deborah Hendry

The Association for Specialist Fire Protection (ASFP) has further expanded its team with the appointment of Lauren Smith as operations administrator.

She will provide clerical and administrative support to the ASFP’s training, membership and technical departments, taking responsibility for a range of projects. She will play a key role in managing and maintaining data in the ASFP’s new customer relationship management (CRM) system, website and online store and will ensure office procedures are followed at all times.

Smith joins the ASFP team having previously provided maternity cover for the British Coatings Federation. Prior to this, she worked for five years in automotive purchasing and buying, including at Jaguar Land Rover. In a previous buyer position, she bought parts for James Bond’s Aston Martin from the film, No Time to Die.

ASFP CEO Steve Davies says: “The ASFP is growing rapidly and we are expanding the range of services and support we offer to members. Lauren will play a key role in maintaining close contact with our members to ensure we provide tailored services and support.

We are delighted to welcome Lauren to the ASFP team and look forward to encouraging her in the development of this important new role.” □



Lauren Smith

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The CAB academy

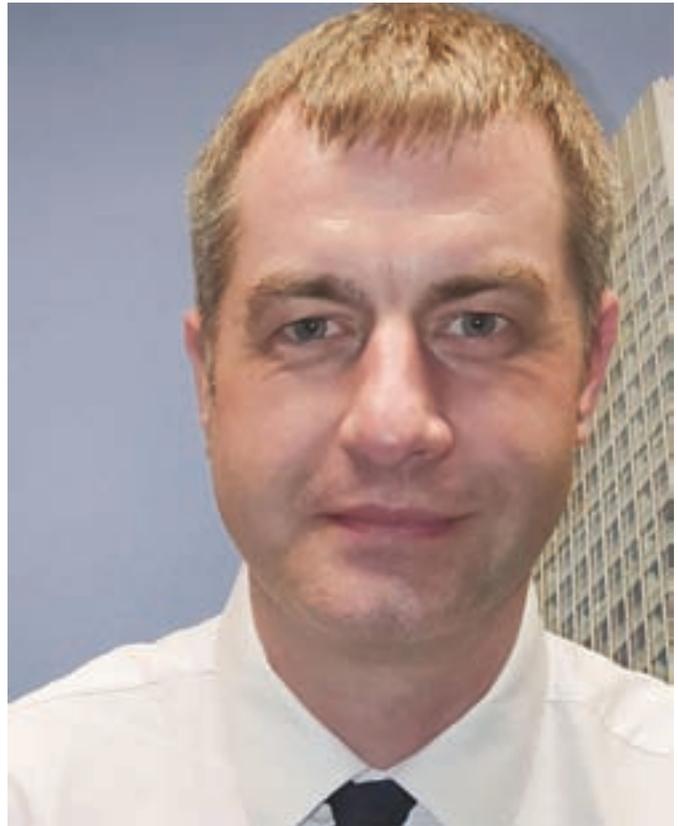
During a survey of CAB members in 2021, the provision of training as a member resource was high on the list of priorities. As a result, CAB responded and appointed Andrew Mather, as training and technical manager in December 2021. CAB has now established a training academy with plans to roll out a series of training schemes throughout 2022.

Released in early March 2022 CAB says it is delighted to introduce in partnership with the ALFED training academy, a range of office function courses for members' professional staff. Courses cover effective sales, marketing and digital marketing, managing people for results, emotional intelligence and finance for non-finance managers. Details of each course are available through the CAB website, the first of which, effective sales, will take place in April 2022.

To apply for courses download and complete the course enrolment form from the CAB website and send to enquiries@c-a-b.org.uk.

Full details of the CAB courses can be found on the CAB website. Further essential knowledge courses are planned covering other topics, that will offer the industry training that helps give new entrants to the facade market, much needed basic skills. Costs for the one day curtain walling essential knowledge courses for members is £199.00 plus VAT for members and £249.00 plus VAT for non-members. These foundation knowledge courses also form the first step in gaining a UK and Ireland recognised CSCS skills card. □

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Andrew Mather

When one door opens...

Fire safety remains a top priority for all involved in the construction industry, with many manufacturers offering many solutions. GEZE, manufacturer of door and window control systems, offers one more, which it believes is a solution for smoke extraction systems in the market place.

The RWA K 600 retractable arm drive can be fitted to emergency exits on escape routes and 'in the event of a fire' it can be used as a fresh air supply which when the fire alarm is sounded the door opens automatically allowing a large amount of air to flow into the building and forcing smoke out.

The powerful drive with high torque opens a door to 90° in less than 60 seconds. Yet the door remains readily accessible due to the freely positioned activation of the lever by means of a pressure roller.

The RWA K 600 is perfect for use in supply air systems where large opening angles are required. It is suitable for single and double leaf smoke and heat extraction fresh air doors and can be installed on both the hinge or opposite hinge side.



Andy Iredale, national sales manager for Automatic Doors and Window Control, said: "The RWA K 600 is a solution in the extraction of smoke from a building in the case of fire. It's suitability for use in a variety of situations makes it perfect for use on escape routes." □

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