

FLOOR NZ NEWSLETTER



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Dear Floor NZ Member

This newsletter is a tribute to the recipients of the 2022 Apprentice of the year.

APPRENTICE OF THE YEAR 2022

March 2023 brought together the regional presentations for Apprentice of the Year Awards 2022 with a geographic spread from Auckland to Invercargill. To celebrate excellence and achievement, Scott Cato travelled the country to present personalised ceremonies which were held in each location where the Award winner, employer, on-site trainers, work colleagues, family and friends and representatives from FloorNZ and BCITO Te Pūkenga gathered to pay tribute and present the Awards.



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STAGE ONE APPRENTICE OF THE YEAR 2022

Ryan Perkins

TAK Flooring Ltd

Team-TAK-pride was evident in all who gathered in-store at the presentation of the Stage One award to **Ryan Perkins of TAK Flooring Ltd, Dunedin**. On-the-floor trainers, work mates, office staff, managers, and owners of TAK all felt that they had had a part to play in Ryan's recognition and achievement as Apprentice of the Year Stage One.

After 9 years' a chef Ryan wanted a change in career.

The flooring trade ?? a piece of cake!

Next course . . . Stage Two.

Attention to detail, gaining new knowledge and hand skills, team work and work ethic all went in to the mix.



Ryan Perkins and Team
TAK Flooring, Dunedin

Damon Scott (BCITO), Scott Cato

**STAGE TWO APPRENTICE OF THE YEAR 2022 AND
THE SUPREME AWARD OF THE SCOTT CATO TROPHY 2022
THE WAYNE YOUNG TROPHY FOR EMPLOYER OF YEAR 2022**

Henry Pat

Christchurch Timber Sanders Ltd

It was a family affair at the presentation of the Stage Two and the Supreme Award to **Henry Pat** of **Christchurch Timber Sanders Ltd**. Fine sanders and finishers with their home and business on the outskirts of Christchurch.

To top it off, **Anna and Darrel Pat** were awarded the Wayne Young Trophy for Employer of the year.

Gathered in the spacious family home and glowing with pride were Papa, Oma, Anna and Darrel Pat (aka Mum and Dad), siblings, cousins, friends. It wasn't hard to see where the foundation of learning and excellence came from for Henry.

A professional business professionally presented down to the stylish company shirts and company logo. Neat, tidy and fine finished.

Henry quite simply excelled.



Henry, Darrel and Anna Pat



Henry Pat



Lance Aydon (BCITO), Scott Cato and Henry

STAGE THREE HAYDEN MCKENZIE MEMORIAL TROPHY APPRENTICE OF THE YEAR 2022

Calem Castle

Winton FlooringXtra

A culture of training doesn't just happen.

Years of commitment to apprentice training and qualifications by Chris and Rebecca Burns at **Winton & Invercargill FlooringXtra** came together in the awarding of Apprentice of the Year Stage Three to **Calem Castle**.

Over the years of his apprenticeship Calem turned a turn-up-to-a job approach in to a trade and a career. Work ethic, reliability, pride in doing the job right, skills taught and practiced in evidence in the workplace day in, day out Calem went from strength to strength through the pathway of Block Courses and rose to the top, an exceptional Stage Three apprentice and qualified tradesperson.



Chris Burns, Calem Castle and Rebecca Burns



Installation Team Invercargill FlooringXtra



Scott Cato, Calem, Chris Burns and Charys Hoy (BCITO)

FLOORING PLANNING AND DESIGN TRAINEE OF THE YEAR 2022

Kylie Bannister

JB's FlooringXtra Pukekohe

The family name Bannister is synonymous with the NZ Flooring Industry.

The pedigree of a knowledge-based business, encouragement and learning-support of all staff to gain qualifications, then put it all together at point-of-sale every day in this family-tree business is the foundation stone of the awarding of Flooring Planning & Design Trainee of the Year to **Kylie Bannister** of **JB's FlooringXtra Pukekohe**.

One for all and all for one



John Bannister, Kylie Bannister and Catherine Bannister



Presentation by Scott Cato



Shanish Datt (BCITO) and the Bannisters

VILLARS TROPHY 2022

Patryk Kelly

King Flooring Limited

The Villars Trophy recognises an apprentice who displays a special attitude and commitment to their training. During Patryk's block course, he impressed his tutors with his positive attitude and commitment to applying himself at every opportunity.

Patryk was honoured to be the recipient of the prestigious Villars Trophy and was elated to receive the award and sponsor's generous gift card though circumstances at the time did not involve a personal award ceremony.



If you have any information, you would like us to share on any comments or questions on any of the content in this newsletter, please contact me on kari@floornz.org.nz

Regards

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