

# CEATA NEWS

WELCOME TO CEATA NEWS

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## CEATA WINTER UPDATE

by Karen Hodgson



Welcome to our 3rd newsletter - In what continues to be a difficult time for all of us but despite everything all our learners are making good progress and the training continues as normally as we can make it with a range of guidelines in place to help keep everyone safe at this time.

Canal Engineering were delighted to be announced as the winner of the *MakeUK Manufacturing Award 2020 – Midlands and East Developing Future Talent in October* and we now move forward to the national awards – fingers crossed!

We would like to wish all our learners and employers a very **Happy Christmas and look forward to a more normal 2021.**

### Apprenticeships

Apprentice timetables have been adjusted to allow for more social distancing in classrooms and workshops and we continue to look at ways of making day release fit with ever changing guidelines. Many apprentices have used their time during the summer to log many hours in 'off-the-job' training which is ensuring they stay on target to complete on time. You can track the progress of your apprentices on OneFile if you need any help with this please get in touch with Ken >>

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### Other training

Our programme for unemployed learners has changed with reduced length of days for social distancing but is now over 8 weeks instead of the previous 6. Our first group have completed with some excellent work and all are looking for work – if you have any suitable vacancies please get in touch >>

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### WHO WE ARE

CEATA is the training division of Canal Engineering our apprenticeships and specialist engineering training courses are available to all businesses. We can offer apprenticeships, short courses including NVQs in Welding and Architectural Metalwork Installation and Sector Based Work Academies for unemployed learners.

## MENTORING SUPPORT FOR APPRENTICE EMPLOYERS

We will have regular mentoring support from January, this is just a short session to explain how the apprenticeship works and how it fits in with the workplace, there will be an opportunity to visit CEATA and meet the tutors so you can see what your apprentice does on their day release days. Additional support will be provided as the apprentice progresses and starts to plan and prepare for their end point assessments. If you would like your apprentice mentor(s) to take part, please get in touch and more information will be sent out in the new year.



LEAD TUTOR - TONY BURKE

## WELCOME TO THE TEAM

I am delighted to have taken up the new lead tutor role at CEATA. My practical background started with a structural fabrication apprenticeship and machine/plant maintenance and spent the next 12 years in industry. 1998 university beckoned resulting in a Mechanical Engineering degree, transferring immediately to a Post Graduate Certificate in Education at the University Loughborough and became a fully qualified science teacher in 2003. After two years as a secondary physics teacher I realised my experience, qualifications and life skills excellently suited me to teach engineering apprentices so made the switch from school teacher to lecturer. During summer 2020, I had time to reflect upon my 15 years of delivering engineering principles maths and science in colleges and made the decision to move back a little closer to industry so joining CEATA training was an obvious next career step. When not at work I'm usually riding or restoring motorcycles or walking with friends and family in the beautiful Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire countryside.

## Lilian Greenwood Update

"After a long, tumultuous year, I want to send my congratulations to CEATA and all its learners on completing their courses in these very difficult times. Despite the challenges that the switch to virtual training has presented, it has been great to hear throughout the year how CEATA apprentices have all remained on target and engaged.

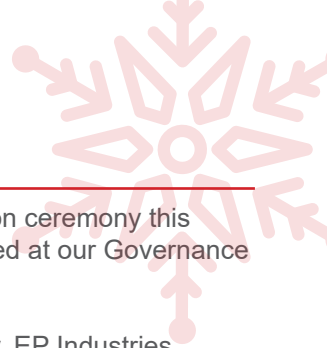
Last week it was announced that "**Build the Future**" will be the theme of *National Apprenticeship Week 2021* which is set to take place between 8 and 14 February. It will showcase the resilience of apprentices and employers during the pandemic. I want to thank you for your contribution to keeping our whole community safe by operating in line with the public health guidance. To ensure we can soon return to some sort of normality, we all need to continue to follow social distancing and other good practice – especially in the workplace.

It's hard not to see why; in the middle of a pandemic that is wreaking havoc in the jobs market, training for and gaining new skills has never been more important. By the end of the year, an estimated one million young people will not be in education, employment, or training and they face an uncertain future. Thankfully, apprenticeships in engineering offer a fantastic opportunity to gain skills that can set you up for life, and that's no different for those learning at CEATA.

Training providers are often a beacon of hope and opportunity in our local communities and apprenticeships will undoubtedly be one of the building blocks of economic recovery following the pandemic. The Government must urgently bring forward a post-Covid skills funding package and support employers and training academies to provide the opportunities and decent pay new apprentices need to succeed. **Once again, congratulations and have a Merry Christmas!"**







# CELEBRATIONS

We have been unable to hold our normal graduation ceremony this year, winners of our annual awards were announced at our Governance Board meeting on 24 November they are;

**Level 3 Apprentice of the Year** – Michael Minkley, EP Industries

**Level 2 Apprentice of the Year** – Jake O'Brien, Canal Engineering

**Most Improved Apprentice** – Ethan Goacher, Bratts Engineering

**Rising Star 2020** – *Emily Hughes*, Dynamic Aerospace Fabrications

## CEATA COURSES FROM JANUARY 2021

**Technician** new group starts on 14 September

**NVQ Level 1 Maintenance Fitter\*** (3 weeks) starts on 07 September

**NVQ Level 2 Performing Manufacturing Operations** (6-8 weeks) starts on 22 September

**New one year course for 19 year olds covering Fabrication and Welding\*** and includes a **Diploma in Engineering Technologies and NVQ in Performing Manufacturing Operations** all at level 2 – this is an ideal gateway to enter an apprenticeship.

**Short Courses in Welding** – MMA, MIG, TIG plus coding if required, courses are bespoke so durations vary according to experience prices from £250.00 + vat

**NVQ's in Welding and Architectural Metalwork Installation** from £600.00 + vat

\*These courses are free to eligible candidates

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We would like to congratulate the following apprentices who have all completed their apprenticeships over the last 18 months:

### Level 2

<b>Michael Minkley</b>	EP Industries
<b>Ethan O'Keefe</b>	Canal Engineering
<b>George Bosworth</b>	Canal Engineering
<b>Ian Lee</b>	Canal Engineering
<b>James Scott Parkin</b>	Canal Engineering
<b>Finlay Gregory</b>	Almor Group
<b>Michael Hill</b>	HillSport
<b>George Wilson</b>	Canal Engineering
<b>Jake O'Brien</b>	Canal Engineering
<b>James Brown</b>	Almor Group
<b>Alex Scott Hibbert</b>	Almor Group
<b>Ed Shaw</b>	Canal Engineering
<b>Ethan Goacher</b>	Bratts Engineering
<b>Brandon Hinson</b>	Goodman Metalworks
<b>Callum Preston</b>	SC Fabrications
<b>Jordan Leedell</b>	Goodman Metalworks

### Level 3

<b>Joe Glenn</b>	Almor Group
<b>Dan Shaw</b>	Burton Sheetmetal
<b>Charlie Porter</b>	Goodman Metalworks
<b>Dan Randerson</b>	Goodman Metalworks
<b>Kealen Camomile</b>	Tecquipment
<b>Ollie Eyre</b>	TecEquipment
<b>Michael Minkley</b>	EP Industries
<b>Ethan O'Keefe</b>	Canal Engineering
<b>Reece Waite</b>	BFS
<b>Lyndon Davis</b>	Goodman Metalworks
<b>Joe Davies</b>	Almor Group
<b>Noah Luke</b>	Goodman Metalworks



PRINCESS ROYAL TRAINING AWARD 2019

