

FASET wows with biggest-ever AGM and Awards

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The FASET AGM and Awards event took place on Thursday 24th November at the beautiful Tewkesbury Place, and was host to over 100 guests. That makes it the largest event of its kind in trade association's history.

Now that live events are back in full swing again, following a lengthy absence during the height of the Covid pandemic, FASET's growing number of members attended the stunning hotel, golf, health and conference resort in Gloucestershire for an event that was informative, enlightening and hugely enjoyable – a fitting celebration of the safest exponents of height working in the construction industry.

FASET is the established trade association and training provider for the safety netting and temporary safety systems industry. It has long been a foundation in supporting its members with expert quality guidance, training and exclusive benefits – and it has become a tradition to host a glittering AGM, rounded off by an awards and social evening.

On the night, £1,300 was raised for FASET's nominated charities: Papyrus UK Suicide Prevention and the No Falls Foundation. Thank you to everyone for your support.

FASET 2022 award winners announced

The FASET winners and highly commended organisations and individuals were:

1. **Contribution to FASET Award 2022** sponsored by Visor Nets.

Winner: **Nick Smith of Trad Hire & Sales Ltd.**

Congratulations to Nick Smith, who has been proactive in authoring a number of best practice documents and safety alerts and has promoted FASET in all sorts of areas and to all sorts of organisations.

- **FASET Health, Safety and Training Award 2022** sponsored by IPAF.

Winner: **G&M Safe Deck Ltd.** for their Modular Access Platform Safety System.

Congratulations to **G&M Safe Deck Ltd.** who showed great innovation in safety in the homebuilding sector, to ensure the safety not only their workers, but all on site when the structure is in a temporary state.

Highly Commended: **SWUK Steel Decking Ltd.** Congratulations on their commitment to health, safety and welfare.

- **FASET Excellence of Work Award 2022** sponsored by Huck Nets.

Winner: **Northern Steel Decking Ltd.** for their work at One City Park, Bradford

Congratulations to Northern Steel Decking Ltd. who demonstrated the enormous scale and complexity of works FASET members undertake.

Highly commended (1): Composite Profiles UK Ltd. Congratulations for showing that early engagement makes a huge difference to a project's success.

Highly commended (1): SWUK Steel Decking Ltd. Congratulations for enabling access at Co-op Live in Manchester.

- **FASET Installer of the Year Award 2022** sponsored by Leon De Oro.

Winner: **Damian Howard of SWUK Steel Decking Ltd.**

Congratulations to Damian who has demonstrated a keenness to learn new skills, support his colleagues and improve his company.

Highly Commended: **Lee McKnight of Nationwide Safety.** Congratulations to a self-motivated character who enjoys every challenge thrown at him.

- **FASET Trainee of the Year 2022** sponsored by 3-Education.

Joint winners: Ella Joyce of Central Safety Netting and Ross Hollington of ProNet Safety Systems.

Ella is extremely hard-working and reliable, and goes beyond the site works helping in many aspects of the business. She holds qualifications in nets, EP and ST, and holds IPAF PAL+ and SSSTS qualifications.

Ross is trained as a net rigger and is completing his NVQ. An extremely hard working individual, his

attitude to work and keenness to learn are exemplary.

Highly Commended: Owen Matthews of St Ives Safety Nets. Owen is extremely keen to learn, holding FASET Training Certificates in SNR, and Access Towers, and is undertaking his NVQ.

Entertainment during the awards dinner and social evening were provided by magician Chris Congreave and award-winning comedian Scott Bennett – back by popular demand for the second time!

AGM

Earlier in the day, the FASET AGM featured updates on the work of the trade body during 2022 and a wide range of external speakers from lawyer Bill Dunkerley – speaking on health and safety law; to FASET’s marketing partner Simon Taylor – talking about maximising the impact of marketing with the construction and FM sectors; James Cadman of Action Sustainability – speaking on sustainability and environmental issues; and Ocaid’s Quentin Emery – who talked about culture, safety viewed negatively and positively and human nature and human error – and why we do what we do!

FASET MD Tony Seddon said: “Tewkesbury Park proved once again to be a hugely popular venue for our AGM and Annual Awards event, which was our biggest and best yet. This event is a very important way of highlighting the hard work of all the FASET committees and staff over the year – and to show what’s been achieved in the past 12 months..

“The working at height industry was extremely well represented at this year’s event by professionals from a wide range of organisations. We are extremely grateful to our sponsors, whose invaluable contributions helped to make it memorable for everyone.

“With such a wide display of talent and experience under one roof, the networking opportunities were fantastic and I am sure that some valuable and long-lasting partnerships were made at the event.

“The work of FASET members – sub-contracting and training – is often extremely challenging, complex and is far from simple. And we shouldn’t forget – what they do every day saves lives. And that fact cannot be understated.

“The AGM and FASET Annual Awards are a great celebration of the hard work of member companies and individuals and we would like to congratulate those nominated for an award and of course the highly commended and winners. All involved in FASET should be very proud of what they achieve – regardless of whether they entered or won an award, because they ensure that construction site workers in the UK go home safely to their families, every day.”