

## Awards Ceremony Debut

The BCIA Training Awards Ceremony provides you with the opportunity to award those people in your company who have proved to be exceptional, whether their skills lie in technical, marketing, contracts, or other disciplines.

As you read this, you probably have someone (perhaps more than one person) in mind; an employee that would gain from additional training and the recognition of being a BCIA Award Winner.

There are six categories:

- **BUILDING CONTROLS ENGINEER OF THE YEAR**

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- **BEST OVERALL TECHNICAL TRAINING STUDENT**



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- **INITIATIVE AWARD**



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- **THE FRANK DENNIS OBE MARKETING AWARD**



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- **TRAINING ADVOCATE OF THE YEAR**



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- **INDUSTRY NEWCOMER**



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The Awards are being sponsored by Trend, TAC, Resource Data Management, the Frank Dennis Trust (FETA), Honeywell, and Siemens.

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KATIE EVERED OF SIEMENS BUILDING TECHNOLOGIES RECEIVES ONE OF THE FIRST TRAINING AWARDS IN 2005. PRESENTED BY KEITH DOHERTY, HER AWARD WAS FOR: ALL-ROUND APPROACH & ACHIEVEMENT IN A TRAINING FORUM.

knowledgeable and at this Awards Ceremony the BCIA will reward those men and women who have excelled in their professional fields.

The Awards provide the opportunity for due recognition across a range of skills: technical, marketing, contracts, managerial and those people who have taken their first steps to a building controls career.

**Each category winner will receive £500 worth of training.**

The BCIA is committed to advancing the skill-sets of the building controls industry.

Since its inception some three years ago, the Technical Training Programme has awarded over 800 module certificates—that is 126 Technical Certificates and 54 Advanced

### Dates for the Diary

April:

- 12—Skills Development Working Group at AES Northampton
- 25—Management Committee at Sontay, Edenbridge
- 27—Contracts Working Group at TAC, Ashby de la Zouch

May:

- 10—Technical Working Group at Trane, Hampton in Arden
- 24—AGM Members Meeting Evening: Training Awards Ceremony at Hilton Hotel, Coventry

June:

- 2—Marketing Working Group at TAC, Ashby de la Zouch
- 14—Skills Development Working Group at AES, Northampton

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More importantly, 48 companies have proved their commitment to controls training by enrolling their engineers on BCIA courses.

By way of these Training Awards we have the opportunity to raise the profile of our industry, encourage employees to set and achieve higher goals for themselves and thereby encourage their future loyalty.

The dinner will be held in the evening, following our Annual General Meeting, which is to be held on Wednesday, 24 May 2006 at the Hilton Hotel, Coventry.

For details on how to nominate an Awards candidate or to book for the Awards Ceremony dinner, contact Ann Hull at [bcia@feta.co.uk](mailto:bcia@feta.co.uk) or telephone 01249 720303.

# Annual General Meeting

One for the diary: the AGM which will be held on Wednesday, 24 May at the Hilton Hotel, Coventry.

Preceding the meeting will be three speakers:

- Sarah Delany of the National Building Specification, which is part of RIBA Enterprises and owned by the Royal Institute of British Architects. Sarah will be demonstrating the NBS master specification system for use by design engineers to compile project specifications.
- The Marketing Working Group has been researching current and known future influences that could directly affect the building

controls market over the next five years, their findings will be delivered at the AGM.

- February saw the first BCIA ConnectFest. The event was dedicated primarily to BACnet and LON connections and a highlight was the successful connection of 24 devices from different manufacturers on a single BACnet network. Jim Kilcoyne will outline the day's achievements and possible future ConnectFests.

So put the date in your diary now: Wednesday, 24 May at the Hilton Hotel, Coventry. ***And don't forget the Training Awards Ceremony which will be held the same evening.***

## Did you know?

New market intelligence from BSRIA:

- Chinese Market for Building Automation Systems.
- UK Market for Facilities Management.

For more details visit the BSRIA web site ([bsria.co.uk](http://bsria.co.uk))

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How much does absenteeism cost your company? The answer is on the Health & Safety People web site ([healthandsafetypeople.com](http://healthandsafetypeople.com)).

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Revised building regulations that increase energy efficiency standards for new buildings were laid before Parliament on 15 March 2006. Details are in a press release on the ODPM web site ([odpm.gov.uk](http://odpm.gov.uk)).

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BSRIA will be staging an 'Introduction to Part L and Part F' training course at the Holiday Inn Express, Manchester on Wednesday, 17 May 2006. More information from the BSRIA web site ([bsria.co.uk](http://bsria.co.uk)) 'Events' page.

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EiBI has been running a reader survey on its web site, the question was: Are building management systems a useful tool in controlling energy use? 91% of replies said 'yes'.

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DEFRA has published its revised Climate Change Programme outlining new measures which are projected to reduce carbon dioxide emissions by 15—18% by 2010. This includes announcing an overall cap for Phase II of the EU Emissions Trade Scheme of between three and eight million tonnes of carbon per annum. It is proposed that these cuts should be born entirely by the electricity generation sector. Details on the DEFRA web site ([defra.gov.uk](http://defra.gov.uk)).

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**Stop Press:** The BCIA has been successful in its Carbon Trust bid. The £20,000 funding contract will be signed this month and we will be working with BSRIA and the Usable Buildings Trust. More details to follow.

## Coming Soon.....

Have you been promising yourself that one day, when you've answered all your emails, returned all of the calls on your voicemail and cleared the messages laying on your desk or stuck (thanks to post-it notes) to every wall and stick of furniture in the office, that you would sit down and create a PowerPoint presentation detailing the benefits of belonging to the BCIA?

Well, now there is no need. Doug Robins has taken on the mantle of responsibility and developed a PowerPoint that can be used in-house or presented to your customers.

The Marketing Working Group has reviewed the first version. A little fine tuning is required, but then it will be available for members' use. As soon as it is ready a copy will be emailed to all members. Now that's a load off your mind.....

## 2006 SEMINAR PROGRAMME:

CONSTRUCTION DESIGN & MANAGEMENT—Thursday, 4 May

MONITORING OF SITE OPERATIONS—Thursday, 7 September

COMMERCIAL ASPECTS OF CONTRACTING—Thursday, 19 October

ESSENTIAL CONTRACT MANAGEMENT—Thursday 23 November

Contact Ann Hull ([bcia@feta.co.uk](mailto:bcia@feta.co.uk) or tel: 01249 720303) for more details.

## Welcome....

...to another new member: Resource Data Management. RDM has already established a well respected reputation in the refrigeration control market which has led to it expanding into HVAC services and power monitoring. As with many BCIA members, the company is also concentrating its efforts on systems interoperability.

