

Hat-trick for Kusile JV in MBA North Health and Safety Awards

The Joint Venture between Stefanutti Stocks and Basil Read has, for the third consecutive year, won the top award in the 2015 Master Builders Association (MBA) North annual Construction Health and Safety Competition.

As in the 2013 and 2014 MBA North competitions, the JV's safety performance on the Kusile Power Station emerged winner of the FEM Super League Trophy for projects valued at R500 million and higher. Runner-up in this prestige category this year was the Tiber Construction/WBHO Joint Venture for the Discovery Health new head office, with Aveng/Grinaker-LTA in third place for its work on the Sasol Corporate head office.

Other award winners at the function held in Midrand recently were:

- Builders Warehouse Trophy for projects between R300 million and R500 million – Stefanutti Stocks (Eastgate Rehabilitation);
- Contractors Trophy for projects between R150 million and R300 million – Tiber Construction (Centurion Mall);
- MBA North Executive Director's Trophy for projects between R75 million and R150 million – Belo & Kies (Newcastle Crossing);
- MBA North Safety Committee Trophy for projects between R25 million to R75 million – GVK Siya Zama (Gauteng) – Transnet Waltloo;
- Ramsey Herd/Nico Maas Trophy for projects between R10 million to R25 million – NMC Construction (Lafarge Wynberg);
- Universal Health Care Trophy for projects under R10 million – GVK Painting & Restoration (Gauteng) – (Khulani Business Park);
- BCIMA Trophy for Allied Trades – Peri Formwork Scaffolding Engineering (Polokwane Yard);
- Plant Storage Yards Trophy – Tiber Construction (Village Deep Yard);



Belo & Kies won the MBA North Executive Directors' Trophy for projects between R75m and R150m for its safety performance at the Newcastle Crossing project. Mohau Mphomela, executive director of MBA North (left) was pictured with (from left) Belo & Kies' Raymond West, Johan Gerber, Johan Kriel and Andre Kies

- Amokoro Training Trophy for Best Subcontractor (without site establishment) – Gauteng Piling (Summit Place);
- GVK Trophy for Best Sub contractor (with site establishment) – JVB Civil Engineering (Discovery Health head office);
- MBA North Trophy for Best OHS Representative Trophy – F.M. Ngubane of Tiber Construction;
- MEWP Trophy for Best Contracts Manager – Hennie Blofield of the Stefanutti Stocks-Basil Read JV for Kusile Power Station;
- Kevin Bates Carpeting & Flooring Trophy for Best Performing OHS Manager – Johan Kriel of Belo & Kies; and
- Pyro Trophy for Best Site OHS officer – Nhlahlia Mpofu of Stefanutti Stocks Building Inland. ■

Photos: Jan de Beer



For the third year running, the JV between Stefanutti Stocks and Basil Read won the top award (for projects R500m and over) for the Kusile Power Station project at the recent 2015 MBA North Construction Health & Safety Awards. The team who received the trophy from Thelma Pugh (left), MD of the sponsors, FEM Assurance, are (from left): Henk Cloete, Cliff Thackwray, Sasha-Lee Thackwray, Tumiso Maile, and Hennie Blofield



The MBA North Construction Health and Safety team pictured at the Association's annual Construction Health and Safety Awards function. From left: Paul Adams, Doug Michell, Zanele Monageng and Gerhard Roets

FEM walks its talk for SAFETEMBER

On Sunday 26 July 2015 at 6am FEM management and staff braced the cold and took to the streets to walk the 702 Walk the Talk for safety in the construction industry.

With this year's theme being to 'walk for a cause' we decided that this high profile event would be ideal for us to show our commitment to safety in the construction industry, and to raise health and safety awareness," said Thelma Pugh, managing director of Federated Employers' Mutual Assurance (RF) (Pty) Ltd (FEM).

This effort is integral to the September for Safety campaign dubbed "Safetember", recently announced by FEM, which is being driven in collaboration with Master Builders South Africa (MBSA) and the SA Forum of Civil Engineering Contractors (SAFCEC).

"Our aim is to take construction health and safety awareness – with particular emphasis on defensive driver training – to a new level and to keep it there," said Pugh. "We expect to significantly reduce so called "accidents" in the industry over the next 24 months, if not sooner." The Chairman of the Board, Nico Maas, also joined the FEM team on the walk, in which about 50 000 people participated.

Captains of the construction industry are invited to publicly pledge their support and commit to "Safetember" at the Master Builders South Africa Congress being held in Johannesburg in September. ■



Thelma Pugh – managing director of FEM and Nico Maas – Chairman of FEM with his wife Hettie, lead the FEM team on the 702 Walk the Talk effort for Safetember – promoting safety in construction

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