



Contractors Mechanical Plant Engineers

NATIONAL NEWSLETTER

Welcome to another edition of your National Newsletter.

CMPE NEWS

CMPE 61st National AGM & Dinner Dance



This year's National AGM & Dinner Dance was held at the Botleigh Grange Hotel & Spa in Southampton, and what a roaring success it was.

The Friday evening was a great buffet meal and entertainment from "Kim G" who sang for about 3 hours with hardly a break. Her wide selection of songs, including many requests, were very much appreciated by all the guests.



Angie Farrington, Mick Farrington (CMPE National Chairman)



Kim G

Saturday morning saw our 61st National AGM which consisted mainly of the normal CMPE business and reports. However, due to our depleting finances it was agreed for a sub-committee be formed to look at ways of improving the take up of our Certificate of Competence for plant operators, increasing our membership, and to find where we can save on our expenditure. A raffle at the meeting raised £180.00.

On the Saturday evening 130 members and guests sat down to a good meal whilst a compere visited each table in turn doing card tricks.

Entertainment was by "The Spoils", a local five piece band. Members & guests soon took to the floor after the meal to dance the night away.

The highlight of the evening was a raffle which raised £3,000 for The Dementia Care Hub in Southampton. All of the raffle prizes were claimed barring the last one which was a £1.50 (or thereabouts) "light up" Bee! This was then put to auction by the compere which resulted in a fast and furious round of bidding. It started at £5.00 and progressively rose to £250.00 but it did not stop there until two companies present had bid £450.00 each. With help from the compere, R & W Environmental Ltd asked Promech Ltd to agree to £500.00 each and for the prize to be shared. We all watched with astonishment and delight at the end result of £1,000.00 and a huge win for the designated charity.



130 guests sat down to the 61st NAGM Dinner Dance



Sally & Peter Attwood - CMPE Wessex Branch



Mick Farrington, Jack Farrington, Angie Farrington



M J Farrington Limited



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Mick Farrington (CMPE National Chairman), Angie Farrington, and Joy Vallis (CMPE Wessex Branch Chairman)

OTHER CMPE NEWS

Email recently received from Professor David Edwards

Hi David

Hope you're well.

A very informative newsletter as always.

Please find attached a news item (well - a certificate) that may be of interest to members from a former past National Chairman - I was recently rated (for the second year on the trot) as being in the top 0.05% of over 30 million academics worldwide from every academic discipline (from maths to physics and beyond) and now rates me as one of the world's most highly rated academics.

To date, I have published over 600 peer reviewed articles and have worked for almost every major funding body (in the UK and abroad) as well as the UK and US Military. Indeed, the US military gave me a medal for my work into Hand arm vibration and today use my research to training personnel in the army, navy and air force. I am currently working on several safety projects with National Highways in partnership valued at circa £700,000 over a three year period.

Reader may find this of interest and happy to provide more details if needed.

Kind regards

David Edwards

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CMPE Staffs & Midlands Branch

Staffs & Midlands Branch are planning a golf tournament for 19th September 2025 and Wessex Branch have already indicated they will be attending as individuals and as a team.

CMPE National AGM & Dinner Dance 2026





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