

What's the Score?

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Score Honour Ian M. Cheyne (A.K.A "Dr Valve")



Score has recognised the career-long contribution of local man Ian M Cheyne by giving their new £14M facility at Wellbank, Peterhead, his name. Score Group plc Chairman, Charles Ritchie said that it was a testament to Ian's hard work and dedication that the Group now has this unique facility, and that we wanted to recognise his incredible contribution by naming the building after him.

The unveiling of the red granite plaque bearing his name was shrouded in secrecy on Thursday 4th June. Everyone within the building, many of the apprentices from the Glenugie facility, as well as managers and directors from Score locations from around the globe were present at the ceremony. The event had actually been in the planning since November 2008 with the final hectic preparations taking place during the afternoon of the event whilst Ian was kept busy by Charles in an apprentice lecture in Wellbank lecture theatre.

Following the lecture, Ian was instructed by Charles that he had gathered everyone together outside so that they could ensure footwear was of an adequate safety standard. Ian was still bewildered by this whilst the velvet curtains were pulled aside showing the new plaque.

The Chairman stated, "Just like the red granite near his family home, they don't come any harder or stronger than Ian Cheyne. Ian has put a tremendous amount of time and effort into growing the talent within others and himself, and we are delighted that he has chosen to do that with us. He is very deserving of this recognition, which he has earned by his actions. We believe it is very fitting that the building's name is displayed on red granite".

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Kindest Regards,
Newsletter Team
Score **Group plc**

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Born on 26th November 1956, the youngest son of Frances John Jock and Peggy Cheyne (nee Keith), Ian grew up at Stirling Hill, near Boddam. He served his mechanical engineering apprenticeship before joining up with Charles on the creation of Score UK, in 1982. Ian is the core of the Score team. Never scared to throw himself into new challenges, he soon became one of the Group's most successful valve engineers, achieving many successes to the great benefit of the company and its customers.

Always popular amongst his colleagues with his positive and friendly approach to life, Ian now travels around the world, passing on his lifetime's knowledge and experience to the next generation of Score engineers, an activity which has led to him being known throughout the world and the valve industry as "Dr. Valve".

During his time in the business, Ian was instrumental in the set-up and opening of the Group locations at Cowdenbeath (1984), Chester (1987), Stavanger Norway (1993) and Burnley and Daventry (1996).

In 1997, Ian was appointed as Operations Director of Score (Europe) Limited. In this role, he was responsible for the setting up and co-ordination of all new locations throughout the Score Group. These companies subsequently included; Score Denmark, Score Venezuela, Score TransCanada, Score Eastern Canada, Score Houston, Score Trinidad and Score Middle East.



Evening Meal



**Hugh Irvine (MD Score Energy Limited),
Ian Cheyne & Charles Ritchie**

He was directly responsible for recruiting and developing local labour for these new companies, whilst at the same time he retained responsibility for co-ordinating the other continuing activities throughout all companies in the group.

Ian played a major part in bringing Sir Frank Whittle's Jet Engine Test Bed from its original home in RAF Farnborough to Peterhead in 2003. On its arrival to Peterhead, the test bed was re-furbished and re-designed for the 21st century with state of the art telemetry systems, with the first test being done on 12th August of the same year.

In 2005, Ian was promoted to the post of Managing Director of Score (Europe) Limited, a position he held for three years before being appointed a Director of Score Group plc in 2008. Whilst his focus is now on Group activities, he retains a very strong connection with the grass roots of the organisation and can still often be seen helping the young apprentices with the latest solutions.

During a dinner in honour of Ian to mark the occasion that was attended by around 80 of Score's young as well as let's say, "more experienced" talent, Charles, in his own unique fashion, again thanked Ian for his contribution over the years with Ian responding with thanks, and his own unique wit! The evening ended with an excellent fireworks display at the back of the Tufted Duck Hotel, St Combs, including fire bearing Ian's initials, as well as a good old party.

In conclusion, it is perhaps no coincidence that having grown up next to the red granite quarry at Stirling Hill, Ian M. Cheyne himself has become part of the very core and foundation of strength within the Score Group of companies.

Lowestoft Officially Opens Its Doors

Score (Europe) Limited for many years has looked at the East of England with a view to opening a location that can act as a workshop and base in that part of the United Kingdom. After much work, especially over the last few months, a location in Lowestoft, Suffolk was officially opened during an open day event on Friday 19th June.

The operation is being headed up by Forbes Skakle, General Manager, Evan Pride, Sales Co-ordinator (East Anglia), along with Brendan Rose, Valve Technician and Nichola Connolly, Office Administrator. Robert McDonald, Customer Support Co-ordinator is also part of the operation although based in the Glenugie sales office Peterhead. The location is well kitted out. It is fitted with three test cells, workbench/working area as well as racking and two offices including small reception room.

The purpose of having a location in this area is to be close to the Southern North Sea and the Bacton and Zeebrugge Terminals. The Bacton Terminal, is located only a few miles north of Lowestoft, is one of the largest gas terminal complexes in the United Kingdom. The Zeebrugge Terminal, Belgium, is a gas transportation hub located on the European mainland.

The open day idea was to give companies the opportunity to speak to us about the services that could be offered by Score in that region. Although this was by invitation only, during the course of the day it also gave locals the opportunity to come along and visit. The major players in the local market attended and were well looked after at this informal event. As well as being able to show our guests around the facility, a large LCD screen displayed information on the company in the form of video and still images, as well as a few other display items. A selection of company literature was also available including brochures and flyers plus a few promotional items.



Robert, Evan, Nichola, Forbes & Brendan the Lowestoft team



Visitors with Evan, Ian & Forbes

In addition to the Lowestoft personnel, other notable members of Score (Europe) attended including Bruce Buchan Snr QA Director, Lynne Macfarlan Financial Director, Richard Sadler Sales Director and Scott Will Technical Sales Manager. Albert Ogston Multimedia Manager, and Sandy Gavryluk Systems Developer, attended and supported the event on behalf of Score Training. Ian Cheyne, Operations Director of Score Group was also in attendance.

While speaking to various clients, Ian emphasised the historical link between Lowestoft and Peterhead regarding the fishing industry when many fishermen and fisher girls used to travel down to this part of England during the herring fishing season. This trend continued from the early part of the 20th century through to the mid 60's meaning many current residents of both Peterhead and Lowestoft actually originate from each others towns. Ian continued to mention that Score have been looking at this part of the country for over 15 years and believes now is the right time for our organisation to set up shop due to the nature of required engineering in this area.

Score Group plc would like to wish the Lowestoft team all the best for this new venture and hope this great start goes from strength to strength in the future.

Trinidad Success

Where We Were....

Score Valves (Trinidad and Tobago) Limited was established in Trinidad in May 2001 and commenced trading in October 2002. The company is part of the Score Group of companies which was founded in 1982 and is based in Peterhead, Scotland.

Score TT began with an office and workshop facility totaling 12,000 sq ft located in, Pacific Avenue Extension, Point Lisas where the countries largest petrochemical industrial estate is situated.

The initial staff consisted of an expatriate Works Manager, five technicians and an administrator.

A major breakthrough in the local energy market was realized for Score TT in 2005 with the award of a 4 year contract with the esteemed BHP Billiton Company.

Another significant milestone was achieved with the 5 year BPTT contract that was won in 2007. These two companies with their associated contracts paved the way for what was to become an exciting and successful future for a company renowned for the standard of it's service amongst valve companies in Trinidad and Tobago.



Former Location

Where We Are Now....

In 2009, with the continuous growth and demand for Score's services a new state of the art facility was acquired in Bejucal Road, Cunupia, a more central location in the nation of Trinidad. Currently Score has been honored to serve several additional energy companies on an ad-hoc basis such as British Gas, Petrotrin, Atlantic LNG, Repsol among others. Currently the staff has increased to 31 local employees and 4 expatriate, including the Operations Manager, to facilitate the amplified demand for the services of Score TT. We continue to strive towards improvement and customer satisfaction and with this as our goal we anticipate the attainment of further contracts and continued expansion and growth in the near future.



New Location

By Graeme Stephen
Operations Manager

SCORE Marine - Major Contract

SCORE has secured a multi-million pound contract to supply and manage all valves for two new Royal Navy aircraft carriers.

The Peterhead company confirmed recently that it had been awarded a contract for the UK's new aircraft carriers, HMS Queen Elizabeth and HMS Prince of Wales which will enter service between 2015 and 2018.

A delighted Score managing director Ian Davidson told the Buchan Observer that the deal signified a major coup for the local company and its 1,200-strong workforce worldwide.

Commenting on the aircraft carrier deal - which was won against strong competition - Mr Davidson said: "This is an exciting and coveted contract for Score.

"Not only do such contracts enable us to maintain our existing levels of work but they provide a platform from

which we can grow and develop the business in the future.

The aircraft carrier valve contract is not only great news for the existing workforce - it will herald the creation of additional new jobs

"I would like to give special thanks to all of our personnel whose hard work and effort have made this a reality - not only those involved in the preparation of the tender, although it is recognised that their efforts were significant, but to everyone whose endeavours over the past 25 years have helped us secure this work."

In all, 12,000 valves of various type and specification will be procured for each carrier.

Score, which employs 675 people in highly skilled jobs Peterhead, and offers an award-winning apprenticeships scheme - already boasts strong military links with the Ministry of Defence to help maintain the existing British fleet.

Work is now beginning in earnest on the valve contract across Score's UK network, and is echoed in plants across the country, with around 70 to 100 contractors doing their part towards the creation of the two vessels, blocks for which will be built throughout the UK and finally assembled in Rosyth.

Designing and building the ships is expected to sustain and create some 10,000 jobs across the UK throughout its design and manufacture.

Each of the aircraft carriers will be similar in size and weight as the ocean liner the QE2. The Queen Elizabeth (QE) Class carriers

weigh in at a staggering 65,000 tonnes at full displacement - more than 32,500 average family cars - and are 920ft long by 230ft wide at flight deck level.

Standing 56 metres from keel to masthead the carriers are 6m taller than Nelson's Column, and they boast nine decks plus flight deck, with the capacity to accommodate 40 aircraft.

The maximum expected Air Group to be embarked is 36 Joint Strike Fighters and four Airborne Early Warning aircraft, bringing the combined weight of embarked aircraft to over 1,000 tonnes.

There will be 11 full-time medical staff, managing an eight-bed medical suite, operating theatre and dental surgery, which can also be augmented as the mission demands, such as humanitarian operations.



L-R Tom Aiken, Scott Gall, Stuart Dickson, Lewis Cruickshank, Grant Reid, Gilbert Whyte.

Courtesy of Peterhead Buchan Observer..

V-Map

Directors, management and engineering staff from Score companies around the globe met in Peterhead on June 2nd-4th to discuss existing and emerging Score diagnostic and condition monitoring technology for valves. Key participants provided an overview on their perspective of customer needs and the role each Score business can play in supporting future growth for the valve condition monitoring product line.

The existing Score condition monitoring technology includes the V-Map on line monitoring system for critical valves and V-Scan, a portable diagnostic system for control valves. V-Map is currently installed on 41 critical valves at the Ormen Lange gas processing facility in Norway and is currently being installed on the new Valhall platform. V-Scan is used by Score service technicians at various locations around the world.

Score has initiated an aggressive development program aimed at creating a robust set of unique but complimentary valve condition monitoring products. Closely coordinated development activities are occurring in various Score businesses and each will tie together to complete a full range of new valve condition monitoring products. Score Europe is focused on hardware and software improvements for V-Map and hand-held PDA-based data acquisition. Sensor technology development is being led by Score Valve Services in The USA and features lower cost sensor solutions for both portable and online systems. Score PTY is leading the portable systems effort and will leverage technology improvements emerging from V-Map, PDA and new sensor development work.

The next Score Group valve condition monitoring conference will be held in San Antonio, Texas in January 2010 and will run in parallel with the annual nuclear industry valve condition monitoring conferences.

Energy Exhibits At Powergen

Cologne, May 26th - 28th '09 – The 2009 POWER-GEN Europe, POWERGRID Europe and Renewable Energy World Europe conference and exhibition closed on a high note with over 11,600 visitors over the three day event. With over 450 exhibitors occupying some 13,000 sq metres, the combined shows were an excellent platform to present Score Energy and open up new networking opportunities.



Thursday 28th May, last day of the show



Score Energy stand. Our eye catching stand and great positioning helped to make this years show one of our busiest yet!

SVQ Level 3 Achievement



The valve technicians above have successfully achieved their SVQ Level 3 qualification in Mechanical Manufacturing Engineering (fitting and assembly). The qualification comprised of practical and written assessment exercises and was completed between onshore and offshore work commitments.

Prior to commencing the level 3 course all the candidates were anxious about the course content but, after the successful completion, their sense of delight and satisfaction is apparent.

Pictured above are L to R Bruce Buchan (SVQ Assessor), Arthur Innes, John Airs, Bill Higgins, Lewis Duncan, Fred Hay, Steven Duncan, Colin Forman, Scott Smith, Ian Davidson (MD Score Europe).



Hycrome News

Hycrome (Europe) Ltd recently completed the conversion and installation of a conventional press into a Rubber Pad Press capable of exerting a forming pressure of 400 tons.

Most people who are not from a sheet metal forming background will immediately ask what is a Rubber Pad Press, with the most commonly held opinion that it is a press for forming parts manufactured from rubber. This is not the case, as this press is used for forming aluminium parts with complex shapes that are used in the manufacture of aircraft wings and fuselages.

The 'heart' of the press is a rubber block 710 x 780 x 200 mm thick. This is a solid piece of rubber with a shore hardness of 60/70. This rubber block is encased in a steel box with a wall thickness of 100 mm; the box is required as the pressing force when operating the press attempts to push the rubber sideways!

The theory of the press is that when the rubber is under pressure it acts in a similar manner to that of fluid in a bag and forms itself over and around any object it is pressing against. Imagine pushing your hand into a water filled balloon and watch it take the shape of your fist! If the balloon were to be restrained within a box, all the pressure would be on your fist as none could escape sideways. Hence, the need to retain the rubber pad in a steel box.

As the size and complexity of the parts to be formed can be quite varied as can the aluminium type and gauge, the hydraulic pressure that can be applied is infinitely variable, up to the maximum of 400 tonnes. (This equates to a load of 74kg/cm² (1042 lbs/in²).

Apprentice Update...

In May, Chris Lee and Zayanah Mansor completed a week long outwards bounds course organised by Burnley College in the Lake District as part of their key skills required for their modern apprenticeship. Chris, who's currently studying his first year HNC, and Zay, studying ONC year 1 had to undertake numerous physical and mental challenges during the week which tested their ability to problem solve, plan work and contribute to an effective team. The photo shows them kayaking across the lake.

Elsewhere, Zay's older sister, Susana has completed and submitted her HNC final year project which was a study of the High Pressure Seal which is part of a Constant Systems Ltd Cell Disruption unit. Susana has given a 15 minute presentation to a panel including the Head of Engineering at Burnley College and is on target for a Distinction for this work.

Finally, after holding Open Day presentations at Hycrome for students and parents and interviewing 45 candidates, we have selected 6 more apprentices for the 2009 intake.

The press is simple to operate and a typical sequence is:

1. Load a shaped flat 'blank' onto the forming tool.
2. Set the press to automatic operation and press "start".
3. The press applies pressure and holds for a pre-determined time to allow the aluminium to 'set'.
4. The press retracts automatically, all safety devices operating allowing press guards to open and the retractable table to operate.



One of the main skills is in the design of the form tooling (manufactured in either aluminium or composite materials). If the overall dimensions of tool or the angle of the sides of the tool are incorrect then the tool will not allow the correct amount of "spring back"

and considerable "handwork" to the formed component will be required.

The press is a versatile piece of equipment that is used to manufacture aircraft airframe components that can have complex shapes but does not have the requirement for complex and expensive tooling. At the present time the press is used for forming parts that are aerospace related but it can also be used to form sheet metal details for most other industries.

Retirements

Anthony Whalley retired on 4th June 2009 after 2 years service at Hycrome as a Facilities Engineer. Tony has decided to go self employed and will be working on facility improvement projects being carried out at Hycrome.

Eric Smith and Gerry Turner have reached retirement and they have decided to continue work beyond retirement on a part time basis working on specialist projects.

Mick Ellison took early retirement on 3rd June 2009 after almost 10 years service as a Skilled Engineer. Mick has contributed to the future of the apprentices at Hycrome by effectively training them with his knowledge and skills.



Chris and Zay

CSL Update...

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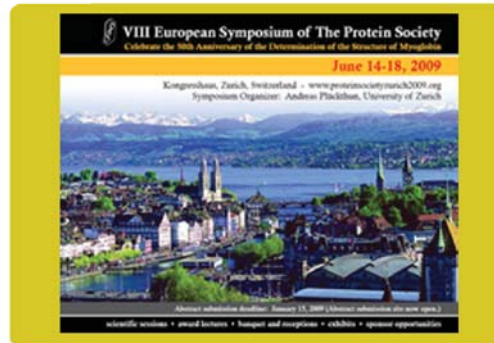
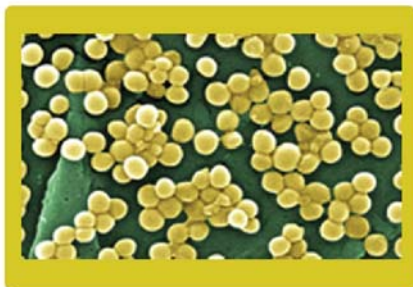
Constant Systems Inc

Since the last edition, we have successfully sold another system into Canada. This time to the University of Western Ontario. One of the many projects on which the laboratory focuses, is to overcome the antibiotic resistant organism *Staphylococcus aureus*, more commonly known as the killer bug MRSA. We took the opportunity to successfully train the users whilst in Canada installing the 2 systems sold to nearby McMasters University mentioned in the last issue.

Our first system sold to Texas was successfully installed in May, at the Texas Women's University based out of Denton. The One Shot model disrupter will be based in the Biology Lab and used to aid a variety of projects including aging and our genetic make up.

Shannon has continued to work the University circuit hitting big Universities including Texas, Illinois, Michigan, Duke and Pennsylvania. The interest generated through these shows is being converted to demonstrations across the US. Demonstrations have now been carried out at Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center (Washington), Case Western University (Ohio) and Emory University (Georgia). We also provided a workshop at Kansas University which has generated further sales opportunities with a demonstration to be carried out shortly for a different department.

Currently we are preparing for two important conferences in July - the American Crystallographic Association conference in Toronto, Canada. and the Protein Society meeting being held in Boston, US.



Constant Systems Ltd

A recent installation at the University of the Free State, South Africa makes the total number of machines in this area up to 3. All went well and the following day a meeting was set up with the University of Cape Town which could potentially lead us to a further sale in South Africa.

Dublin City University will shortly be added to our list of Centers of Excellence when they purchase a system in the coming weeks. This move will help us increase our presence in Ireland by having a base location for conducting demonstrations and workshops to help generate further sales in the area.

Earlier in June, we attended and exhibited at a Membrane Protein Production, Crystallization and Crystallography workshop at Diamond Light Source, Didcot, UK. The small but focused conference (40-50 attendees) gave us great exposure and we met several existing and potential clients from as far a field as the US to Singapore as well as Europe and UK.

We are currently preparing for the European Protein Conference in Zurich, Switzerland. The show attracts hundreds of scientists focused on studying proteins, which are found within the cells we can help them break open. This will be the first time we have attended this show, which comes highly recommended following success in the US equivalent last year.

Inverallochy & Burnhaven School Visits

Score has continued its close relationship with local schools over the last few months including two visits from schools in the Peterhead area. The first of these took place in early May with a visit from Inverallochy Primary School followed by a visit from Burnhaven Primary, Peterhead a short time later.

Inverallochy Primary 6/7 carry out an enterprise project each year, and this year they decided to create an 18 month CD case calendar incorporating photos taken by children and staff from the school of their village. S.T.A.M.P. (Score Training And Multimedia Productions) Limited offered to help the class with the design and printing of the calendar which was quickly accepted by their teacher, Miss Buchan. Albert Ogston of S.T.A.M.P. paid two visits to the school in March. His first visit was to help appoint managers within the class who would be responsible for departments such as finance, production, administration etc. He returned a week later and gave the class a presentation on Score including how we have managers and directors for controlling different aspects of work, and also a guide on what they needed to organise to meet their own deadline for printing.

During their visit to our Wellbank facility in May, they first received a short presentation related to engineering followed by a guided tour of Score Energy from Score Apprentices Barry Thoires and David Moir. The incorporated the workshops and test cell (the class all commented later that this was the highlight of their day). The now printed calendars (300 in total) which had been delivered to Score were then boxed up by the class and taken with them back to their School. They then all wrote letters of thanks to Score for our help and also the visit, with their teacher adding her appreciation to the company in making this year's project one of the most notable and successful in the schools recent history. The profit is used by the school to fund educational trips as well as a portion going to a charity of the class' choosing. The calendars were sold out within one week!

Burnhaven Primary, which is located practically a stones throw from Charles' office at our Glenugie facility, has been researching local history. Part of this included the Glenugie site which was formerly the Glenugie Distillery. Having visited Score a number of years ago, they asked Score if they could return and also provide any information that would help them with their project.

Gordon Milne, aided by other Score companies and departments within Peterhead organised the visit. During the trip, as well as getting a tour of the premises, they received a short presentation which included viewing a video which showed a little of the history of the site and the construction phase of shed 20 at Glenugie. Gordon also managed to provide them with some old photos to help them out with their project.

The class and teacher thanked Score for their time and help during the outing and Score told them they were welcome back at anytime.

Score as a company views these trips as very important not only from a community perspective but also as an opportunity to let these young people see what engineering is all about. It has been the case that many of these children and young people join Score within a few years to serve as apprentices and it is not unreasonable to think that these trips play their part in moulding this career choice.



Inverallochy School



Burnhaven School

School Racing Event

BRIGHT sparks at several north-east primary schools transformed themselves into car manufacturers for a special competition aimed at uncovering the next generation of engineers. The event organised by Greenpower in conjunction with the ImechE involved 17 local schools, including Fraserburgh South Park School and Peterhead Clerkhill School, having to build Formula Goblin cars.

The Greenpower Goblin is a 24-volt electric kit car that is simple to build and is designed to give children an excellent grounding in basic engineering skills, as well as creating a safe and durable car that pupils can race. The chassis is made from lightweight aluminum tube, while the bodywork design and manufacture is left to the creativity of the pupils.

Banff and Buchan College's David Blackhall helped the youngsters build the vehicles along with help from 3 apprentices - John Strachan, Ryan Donaldson and Jason McKinnon. A team of up to 12 pupils were tasked with building the cars from kit form with 6 being chosen to drive the car at the event.

Each school had 6 heats in which to race 3 other teams, a total of 24 heats were completed with the two "Score" drivers Ross Whyte from Fraserburgh and Josh Arthur from Peterhead both winning their heats.

There was some close racing throughout the day with some budding Lewis Hamiltons or Jenson Buttons on display. Unfortunately both local Score sponsored teams missed out from being able to compete in the final, which was won by Dunecht Primary School.



Clerkhill Racing Team

Vital Sparks News

Baby Department

This year the under 2's have been learning a wide variety of nursery rhymes and songs. For each nursery rhyme/song we have learned, we have done a wall display and activities related to that specific rhyme. At the moment we are learning "Wheels on the Bus", so we have made a large bus and added photos of the babies to look like passengers. Lots of fun and very messy displays have been made.

We have done numerous baking activities from heart and bus shaped shortbread, fairy cakes to fudge, all of which the parents got a wee taster of. On the odd occasion, when we do have a blink of sunshine we have been out in the garden on the chute, swings and little bikes, and we have taken numerous walks up to the duck pond to feed the geese and ducks. You will see us walking up the road with our fluorescent vests, pushing multiple buggies.

As you can see we are kept busy in the baby department. We are always up to something.



Nursery

Toddler & Pre-school

Toddler and pre-school have been very busy learning about growing this month. We have been growing sunflowers and carrots. The older children have been lucky enough to receive a micro-scope which links to the computer. They are becoming very confident with its use. Whilst the summer holidays are just around the corner we will be just as busy with activities. The older children will be looking at mini beast with a special look at the cycle of the butterfly and its growth. The nursery is hoping, as in previous years to hatch butterflies from their eggs.

Apprentice Talks

In addition to the Dr Ross monthly lectures, there have been two presentations carried out by Charles Ritchie to the apprentices in Peterhead recently. The first one was on the 4th of June with another on the following Friday 12th June.

During the first lecture, Charles first ran a presentation he had come across on his travels about the Hubble Space telescope. He then went on to explain to his audience the importance of education and being aware of world news and current affairs. With it being a first lecture in Charles' presence for the winter intake of January starts, he then explained in his own way the characteristics of the Newton. Various safety incidents were then covered before Ian Cheyne was asked to take the stage for a talk on Fire Testing. His time was limited by Charles however due to the fact that a certain event was due to happen at 4:30pm (see page 1).

The following Friday's lecture comprised of a short introduction followed by Ian Cheyne, this time with no interruptions, on both Fire Testing and Cryogenic Testing which is performed by Score's Cowdenbeath location. This included a question and answer session which was quite informative for everyone in attendance. Charles concluded the lecture by giving his own group presentation which he has been giving to various companies over the last few weeks.

Meet The Director



Knut Leif Forland

Describe yourself in 20 words or less.....

Positive, Solution orientated, Competitive & Fair

When you were a child, what did you really want to be when you grew up?

Fighter Pilot

Do you have any hobbies?

I collect antique ball valves.....No, honestly it is guitars. I am really into guitars, both to play them and collect them.

What would you say is your biggest achievement in life to date?

My little Princess of happiness, Anna

What one word do you use most often?

Unfortunately it is probably a word that should not be neither used, nor put in writing.....

Tell us your favourite saying....

It is what it is, or

95% complete is not complete.....

What makes you smile?

I believe I am generally a smiling person (unless I am out of happy/smiling masks when I get ready in the morning) But generally my little princess, happy people and sunshine.

What makes you angry?

Lack of care and mediocrity

Other than 'at home', what's your most favourite place in the world?

Anywhere warm, sunny with blue sky and no cell phone signal, with a perfectly chilled beverage in my hand.....

What would you change if you could life your life over again?

Nothing really, but I could have steered away from Mr. Marlboro....

Who is the most famous person you have met?

Liam Gallagher when Oasis was topping the list's back in 96 or so.

If you could ask someone famous a question, who and what would you ask?

Yoda – Is the force with me???

What is the best lesson you ever learned?

NOTHING is impossible, Never give up!!! When the night feels as darkest, the sun is only seconds away from rising

What advice would you give to someone still at school that wanted to become an Engineering or Administration Trainee?

If you are sure about what you want – Work hard, be curious and never give up. Attitude is everything and will bring you far.

Meet The Apprentice

Describe yourself in 20 words or less.....

Cheeky

When you were a child, what did you really want to be when you grew up?

A football player

Do you have any hobbies?

Golf and football

What would you say is your biggest achievement in life to date?

Passing my NC at college

What one word do you use most often?

TOOL!

Tell us your favourite saying....

Arite best pal (Alright Best Friend)

What makes you smile?

Granda TASH (A.K.A Arthur Innes) from the valve shop

What makes you angry?

Having no money after a Saturday night or when Scott Davidson is in a bad mood it makes me upset

Other than 'at home', what's your most favourite place in the world?

Alan Browns house (aka) prince shabs party palace

What would you change if you could live your life over again?

Be a better person towards people and be less cheeky

Who is the most famous person you have met?

Stephen Hendry the snooker player

If you could ask someone famous a question, who and what would you ask?

Leo Messi from Barcelona how did you rip Man United to shreds like that in the Champions League final?

What is the best lesson you ever learned?

Not to rush things

What advice would you give to someone still at school that wanted to become an Engineering or Administration Trainee?

If you stick in you'll get where you want to go in life



Scott Bruce

Far Travelled Apprentice

When I left school I was interested in engineering and found that Score were doing apprenticeships.

I have completed 4 years at college and have gained an NC, HNC and SVQ Level 3 at Buchan & Banff College. I am now entering the fifth year of my apprenticeship.

So far I have worked in the Crane Warehouse and for 3 years in the Valve workshop and I would like to continue working in different departments.

A few years ago I travelled to Norway to work on a big Valhall redevelopment project where we had to change actuator drive adapters and shot blast end connections to remove paint that the manufacturer had applied. We also prepared valves for dispatch and other general work scopes.

I also got a chance to work in Australia where the job was for Conoco Philips working in the workshop on nightshift. We had to build valves and test them. It was hard work building valves and finding they were not holding the seat test, so it was back to the drawing board with stripping them, re-building and re-testing until they worked. Although there was plenty to be done the Australian guys still found time for a bit of banter which resulted in a good working atmosphere.

Working within different Score departments and locations has given me insight to the various types of working methods.

I would like to work my way up the ladder in Score, travel to more locations especially Canada and to work offshore.

My advice to a new apprentice would be to stick in and do your logs in time. Learn not to take the banter to heart, have a laugh, work hard, be wise, careful and have a good understanding of what is involved in the job.



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