

**The Mixer** is the seasonal newsletter for all things Knights - covering exciting topics such as current, completed and upcoming projects along with other interesting news and features.

#### **ONE YEAR ON -** THREE EAGLES **RENOVATION**



Tuesday 13th of August marked one year since the commencement of the renovation works at the Three Eagles, Llangollen.

This grade-listed former coaching inn had sat derelict for over a year before new owners purchased it and enlisted Knights to renovate the building and transform it into a new luxury restaurant and bar.

In what was an aggressive schedule, parts of the old building were demolished to make way for the construction of a brand new kitchen and further parts of the building were opened up to create new spaces for diners.

Many traditional trades were put to task to ensure keeping with the heritage of the building which has resulted in a venue that continues to win plaudits from guests for its tasteful restoration.

## Learn more about the Three Eagles renovation project at our website www.knightsconstructiongroup.co.uk





#### **RUN OF GOOD WEATHER ENABLES FAST PROGRESS IN YORKSHIRE**

A spate of good weather up in Skerne in the East Riding of Yorkshire helped our earthworks and civils teams make excellent progress on site that will see the construction of 2 x 64,000 free range units for poultry rearers Wot-An-Egg.



#### PAINTBALL SHOWDOWN TO LET OFF STEAM

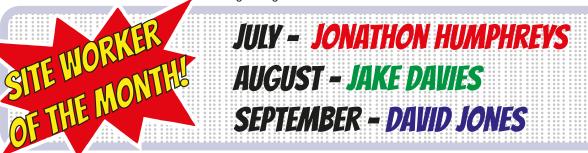
In early June, Knights Construction staff members took to the battlefield at Outpost Paintball just outside Chester for a spot of 'team building' - well, if that's what you call inflicting heavy bruising on each other from twenty paces of course!

With numbers split between two teams, battle commenced amongst a number of varying 'assault zones', with our MD, Matt Jones a highly-sought enemy for many of the group.

Once all paintballs had been fired the teams enjoyed a few beers and pizza together on what was a lovely summer's evening.



A huge congratulations to our recent Site Worker of the Month winners.





#### NEW DIRECTORS WELCOMED ON TO THE BOARD

In June 2019, two senior members within the Knights management team were promoted to become company Directors. Anthony Lichfield and Lewis Taylor, will now take up the roles of Construction Director and Commercial Director respectively.

'I am excited to see where and how the company will grow over the coming years. We have a perfect team of Directors within the company, all of us with different skills and strengths yet the same end goal', said Anthony.







#### 8 NEW RECORDS SET ON NEW CONCRETE TRACK AT SANTA POD FINALS WEEKEND

Over the winter of 2017, following years of problems with the old tarmac track, Knights Construction designed and built a completely new all-concrete track for Santa Pod Raceway in Wellingborough. The result was a track that Santa Pod believed would enable them to regain lost records and be regarded as a world-class racing venue. Well that proved to be the case this summer...

The weekend of the 7th and 8th of September saw the European Drag Racing Finals 2019 take place at Santa Pod Raceway with a total of EIGHT records being set. This included the prestigious FIA Top Fuel Dragster European Record set by Maja Udtian.

It's great to see our customers reaping such rewards from our work and goes to show that the level of research and planning that went in to this project was time very well spent indeed.

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# join our team

As part of our continual growth, we are always looking for talented and passionate people to become an integral part of our team.

Current positions we are looking to fill are:

- Groundworkers (with concreting experience).
- Site Labourers.

To learn more about these roles, please visit our careers page at **www.knightsconstructiongroup.co.uk/careers** 

## BUILD. ACCOMPLISH. GROW.



#### KNIGHTS SPONSOR 'CAIRNGORM CRAZY SEVEN'

Last year, we sponsored Coleg Cambria's Head of Construction & Engineering, Karl Jackson in his assault on the 3 Peak Challenge. This year, Karl was at it again and Knights joined a number of other construction companies in sponsoring him in his latest challenge - the Cairngorm Crazy Seven.

As the name suggests, this challenge took on seven peaks across the Cairngorms of Scotland, with Karl and his team walking and sleeping on the mountains as they went.

What a fantastic achievement by Karl and the team. So far, this challenge has raised £1300 for British Heart Foundation.



### JustGiving

You can still support Karl in raising funds for British Heart Foundation by donating at his JustGiving page: https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/karl-jackson7



#### **RALLY CHALLENGE FOR OPERATIONS MANAGER**

The Drag Racing European Finals at Santa Pod Raceway wasn't the only high speed motorsport event to grab our attention this September. Our Operations Manager, Lee Edwards was also hurtling himself along on four wheels as he took on the Rali Bae Ceredigion over the same weekend. The rally, held in Aberystwyth in North Wales was the first closed-road rally in Wales and Lee made a great start.

Unfortunately, despite lying 9th overall and 3rd in class on the last stage, Lee was forced to retire due to mechanical issues. Still a great performance by Lee!



#### CONCRETE FLOORING DIVISION KEEPING BUSY IN SHAWBURY CURRENT

In this currently very busy period, our Concrete Flooring Division are in extremely high-demand across our projects.

One of those projects is in Shawbury where our Agricultural Division has been

constructing a 32,000 bird free range unit - with our concreting teams completed a 2,450 square metre slab installation.

With a great supply coming in from Tarmac, our operators couldn't wait to get the pours underway!







#### FOOTAGE CAPTURED ON LOCATION FOR UPCOMING KNIGHTS PROMO VIDEO

Over the last 3 months, our marketing team have been filming footage for a series of new upcoming promotional videos that will feature testimonials from a number of Knights Construction's customers.

During multiple visits to various completed construction projects around the country, customers were interviewed for their opinions on what it is like to work with Knights Construction.

The footage, due to be released later this year across the Knights social channels has been created to give prospective customers an excellent insight into the lengths Knights goes to to satisfy it's customers.

The coverage that has been captured will provide a customer's perspective of Knights workmanship, health and safety standards and procedures for providing aftercare solutions amongst others.



#### Keep an eye out for the videos on our social media channels.

#### **QUALIFICATION ACHIEVEMENTS FOR STAFF MEMBERS**

Three members of the Knights head office team recently savoured the sweet taste of success by progressing towards qualifications for which they were studying.

Our Quantity Surveyor, Mike Rowland completed the first year of his HNC Diploma in Construction and the Built Environment, moving on to his second year of HNC Diploma.

Carly Randles, who works as a HR & Payroll Assistant completed her CIPD Level 3 Certificate in Human Resources Practice and now mnoves on to the Level 5 Certificate.

And finally Marketing Manager, Mike Austin completed Chartered Institute of Marketing Level 3 Foundation Cerificate and now starts Level 4.

Well done and congratulations to all!



Mike Rowland



Carly Randles



Mike Austin

#### SUMMER SIGN-OFF WITH ANNUAL BBQ

Knights' annual Summer Barbecue was the perfect way for all our site and head office staff to get together and enjoy good food, drinks and have some fun.

Before the party started, our managers presented a series of small talks to recap on what's already been such a busy year - discussing progress from various sites and informing staff of upcoming projects.



Once the BBQ was fired up, our staff's family members were free to join us for fun and games including an inflatable assault course and giant 'football darts'.