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WELCOME...

...to the Summer 2005 issue of our News & Views-letter! As you will see a lot has changed since our last edition!

As always we are interested to hear from our customers and related organisations, so if you have any comments or suggestions, or perhaps something you would like to see included in future issues, please give us a call, send us a fax, or e-mail to nyree.butcher@nwpumpandvalve.co.uk

NEW WEBSITE!

We are pleased to announce that, after a major facelift, our new website was launched in May.

The site details all the services and products we can offer to our customers, together with project Case Histories and much more!

Please log on and take a look. You will also find a link to our new e-commerce website where you can buy pumps and fittings directly from us.

Happy surfing!

COMPANY PROFILES

If you would like a full copy of any of the Case Histories detailed in this newsletter, or would like some more information on our company and the services we offer, please contact us and we will send you a company profile!

NEW PREMISES...



Left: Our new premises at Andrews Way, Barrow-in-Furness

Below: Our workshop staff take advantage of a photo opportunity!



On 1st November 2004 we moved to our new, bigger and better premises on Andrews Way in Barrow. We now have 16,000ft² of combined office and workshop space, including a design suite and specialised areas for welding, fabrication and pressure testing.

As a result of the move we have been able to expand our already wide range of services and offer more specific solutions to our customers' needs. Our fleet has also grown and now comprises ten vehicles, allowing us to undertake more on-site work. Please contact us for more details on the services we can offer.

...AND A NEW AWARD!



We have also gained recognition as an Investor In People following our assessment in February this year. We received the highest of praise from our assessor who was extremely impressed with our commitment to our employees and with the company as a whole:

"It must be emphasised that this company is extremely well organised. Although the company is small, much larger organisations would be proud to be able to encompass the strategies and policies in place within this company.



"This is one of the best managed and organised companies of this size that this assessor has visited. They are well worth the Investor In People accreditation."

INVESTOR IN PEOPLE

Safety First!

We take Health & Safety issues very seriously at NW. We will not begin any work without a full assessment of all the risks involved and, when on site, draw up method statements to ensure the safety of all parties involved. Our employees hold various health and safety qualifications and our Health & Safety Manager is fully qualified to NEBOSH standard.

We are hoping to add the Health & Safety standard OHSAS 18001 to our ever-growing collection this year. Our first assessment is in June and so far the vital signs are good - we'll keep you posted!

If you would like more details on our staff qualifications please contact our office.



The A.D.D. Pump Package

The Air Driven Diaphragm (A.D.D.) pump is a unique pumping package designed by NW Pump and Valve, offering many advantages:

- A modern, energy efficient system
- A durable system with beneficial impact on lifecycle costs
- Longevity of operation
- Unique stall ability preventing internal damage from any foreign bodies entering the system



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NW supplied and installed five ADD pump packages. As well as the hydraulic factors, the fact that the pumps are pneumatically driven (no electrics) and very robust satisfied the safety and anti-vandalism requirements of the site.

Each pump works independently, drawing sludge from the five rotating screens and sending it to the relevant process on site.

A custom built pneumatic controller/timer was supplied to sequence the pumps to suit the operators' working cycle.



Lube Oil Flushing Rig



NW Pump and Valve were asked to design and manufacture an oil flushing rig including:

- Stainless steel tank
- Ultrasonic flowmeter
- Control panel
- Supply and return manifolds
- Heater
- Circulating pump, filters and cooler

As you can see the end result is very impressive, even more so when you are standing next to it!



ARE YOU WORKING SAFELY?

In April 2001/2002, 68 people died and nearly 4,000 were injured as a result of falls from height

New regulations have now come into effect for Working at Height. **Anyone** who controls the way work at height is undertaken must comply with these regulations.

If you are already following good practice for work at height this should be enough to meet the new regulations. However, you should make sure that:

- All work at height is properly planned and organised
- Those involved in work at height are competent and fully trained
- The risks are assessed before work commences
- The correct work equipment is used and regularly inspected

For more information please visit the HSE website.



DOING OUR BIT FOR THE ENVIRONMENT!

It's no secret that here at NW we are environmentally friendly and we pride ourselves on our BS EN ISO 14001:1996 status. Our new premises have given us the chance to be even kinder to the environment!



The west-side of our building runs adjacent to a recently renovated channelside walk. We plan to landscape the area outside our building to make it more attractive to the local wildlife population, including owls and bats. We intend to install bat boxes and nesting boxes, and may even find a use for any old pipes in the workshop by making them into roosting sites for bats to shelter in.

We also collect empty printer cartridges which are sent for recycling with the proceeds going to the Barn Owl Trust.