



Celebrating Continued Success

SHAPA continues to support the success of its members and it was pleased to be able co-sponsor the celebration for the 50th anniversary of the Wolfson Centre for bulk solids handling at the university of Greenwich on the 1st August. The day started with a quarterly SHAPA meeting with many of our members in attendance. After lunch there was a series of seminars about the history and future of the Wolfson centre. These seminars included Research and Knowledge Exchange, A history of Bulk Solids Handling, Bulk Solids at Greenwich the early years from the Wolfson centre, followed by further seminars from industry including Bulk Solids Handling Technology and HS2s London Tunnels from Hargreaves, the collaboration between Tate and Lyle Sugars and Wolfson over the years, Lynemouth Power Ltd the changes, From Black Art to Science – the influence of the Wolfson Centre on the UK solids handling Industry from SHAPA and finally a bulkholic overview of Pneumatic conveying from Clyde Pneumatic conveying.

However, the highlight of the afternoon was to present Davey Wharrier from Lynemouth Power with the IMechE Bulk Handling Award sponsored by SHAPA for his dedication to the improvements in Solids handling over 50 years, Davey is widely recognised as the leading authority on biomass fuel handling and storage, and his contribution to the industry on the subject and his work at Lynemouth Power Ltd. Davey was presented with his award at The Wolfson Centre for Bulk Solids Handling Technology 50th Celebration event, by outgoing SHAPA General Secretary Ian Birkinshaw and incoming General Secretary Louise Smallwood.



The day ended with a sit-down meal and speaker in the evening for guests and friends of the Wolfson Centre. It was a pleasure to be involved in celebrating this success and we look forward to continuing the journey.



The SHAPA membership is as strong as ever and it continues to strive for technical excellence in the pursuit of bulk solids handling solutions. Membership has consistently exceeded over one hundred companies and organisations for many years and companies have enjoyed the SHAPA membership benefits and contribute to the success of the association and the bulk solids industry, if you are interested in learning more about SHAPA or wish to join the association just visit the Shapa webpage at www.shapa.co.uk and look up the about us page.