



Bassetts shower £16,000 on hospices

Leading plumbers' merchants, Bassetts, have showered cash on local hospices by raising over £16,000 for charity.

All of the company's branches in Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland organised fundraising events in aid of Help the Hospice by holding coffee mornings, raffles and special trade counter promotions. Staff also took part in local marathons, some abseiled down the Europa Hotel in Belfast and one employee even agreed to shave off his beard in aid of the charity.

Representatives of the Northern Ireland Hospice, Southern Area Hospice and Foyle Hospice were recently presented with a cheque for £16,265 to enable their excellent work to continue in the local community. Brenda Hall, Fundraising Co-ordinator at

Bassetts, explained, "Two years ago we selected Help the Hospices as our chosen charity and we are delighted to be able to handover such a substantial cheque. "Our staff have worked very hard to raise this money and, at times, have been very imaginative in their fundraising ideas! But we also want to thank our customers for their continued generosity, as they have supported this initiative every step of the way." The fundraising is part of the 'together' charity initiative established by Bassetts' parent company, Saint-Gobain Ltd. Across the UK the 'Together' has raised in excess of £300,000 for Help the Hospice campaign. **For more information, visit bassettonline.com or telephone head office on +44 (0)28 3833 9438**

Flogas retains the Carbon Trust Standard

Flogas, one of the UK's largest suppliers of LPG, is celebrating after retaining the prestigious Carbon Trust Standard.

The Carbon Trust Standard is awarded to an elite list of companies that have been verified as having genuinely reduced their carbon emissions and demonstrated a continual commitment to making further reductions year on year. Flogas was awarded the title after successfully demonstrating an absolute reduction in its carbon footprint of over 4% over a two year period. Henry Cubbon, Managing Director of Flogas, said, "We are delighted to have retained the Carbon Trust Standard. Sustainability sits at the heart of everything we do here at Flogas, and we work hard to constantly identify new ways in which we can reduce our carbon footprint."

Harry Morrison, General Manager, the Carbon Trust Standard, added, "We are delighted to recertify Flogas' ongoing commitment to carbon reduction. Their ability to seek out new areas to improve energy efficiency proves that, with the right level of skills, tenacity, and support, it's possible to improve carbon efficiency year-on-year – which has a hugely positive effect on the organisation."

For further information on Flogas visit www.flogas.co.uk. For more details about the Carbon Trust visit www.carbontruststandard.com

Daly Renewables owner wins Young Entrepreneur award

Lisburn businessman Ryan Daly has won the Northern Bank Young Entrepreneur of the Year Award.

Ryan, 29, fought off stiff competition from seven other finalists to win the coveted award. He started his company, Daly Renewables, in August 2010, designing, installing, commissioning and providing maintenance for bespoke under floor heating and renewable energy systems. Enterprise Minister Arlene Foster said, "We need to support and encourage more young

entrepreneurs in Northern Ireland as they have a huge role to play in growing our future economy. While inward investment is essential for any country or region striving to make its mark in a competitive world, of equal importance is indigenous industry both in terms of the growth of existing businesses and the need to encourage a greater number of people to start new, innovative, globally focussed businesses."

For further information on Daly Renewables, telephone 028 9266 7745.



Ryan Daly, Daly Renewables (right) with Enterprise Minister, Arlene Foster and Kevin Kington, Northern Bank.

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