

Now that the summer is over we can reflect on what has been a busy time for J&B. There is plenty to cover and we hope you enjoy reading our newsletter. If you would like to contribute or feature in subsequent editions please let me know. Mark Penny [mark@jbrecycling.co.uk](mailto:mark@jbrecycling.co.uk)

## Tall Ships Success



The Tall Ships were in Hartlepool from 7<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> August with the spectacle being described as England's biggest free event this year, at its peak over 350,000 visitors descended on the town in one day with the overall attendance nearing the 1 million mark. The winner of the Kristiansand to Hartlepool leg of the Tall Ships Race was Wyvern, a Norwegian gaff ketch.

An independent survey by Public service research and consultation specialists, Spirul revealed that The Tall Ships' Races dramatically improved Hartlepool's image, with 99 per cent of residents agreeing the event had been good for the town, with the majority of visitors who'd travelled to the event from elsewhere stating they were very likely to return following the success of the Tall Ships.

Accommodation figures indicate that the event also boosted hotel and bed and breakfast bookings. Occupancy rates throughout the entire North East were higher during Tall Ships' Races event than they were during the same period last year. In the Tees Valley area alone an average 91% of beds were filled from 6-10th August 2010 compared with 82% in 2009. <http://www.stanlaundon.com/tall.html>



The Council's Waste Management and Environmental Services department did a great job in keeping the streets clean, with 40 litter pickers scouring the event site and neighbouring areas, and removing the 29 tonnes of residual general waste generated, despite the logistical restrictions they faced due to road closures etc, all of which was converted to energy at a local Energy from Waste facility.

J&B Recycling worked in partnership with Hartlepool Borough Council during the event and were tasked with providing recycling services for the event supplying over seventy wheelie bins at the hospitality, park and ride, plus walk and ride area, for the collection and recycling of plastic, card, paper and glass. During the period over 7 tonnes of recyclable material was collected from these temporary bins

A significant amount of extra material was collected via J&B's "commercial" service as a number of hotels, bars and restaurants made use of the additional recyclable collection rounds that were set up for local businesses to help them cope with their extras volumes of waste generated during the event.

## Legislation News

**Carbon Reduction Commitment:** Business had until 30<sup>th</sup> September to register for the CRC Energy Efficiency Scheme ran by the Environment Agency and SEPA. All businesses that ran a half hourly electricity meter in 2008 had to register as a minimum. Any such business that's half hourly metered electricity was below 6,000MWh had to make an information disclosure; whereas if an organisation's half hourly metered electricity supply was more than 6,000MWh (which equates to annual electricity bill of approximately £500,000) they had to register as a **Participant** of the online registry.

Participants need to pay a registration fee of £950 and provide information including details about any subsidiary companies, the person(s) responsible for the organisation's participation in the CRC, a list of HHM settled on the half hourly market and the total half hourly electricity used in 2008. They also have to pay a subsistence fee of £1,290 for their online registry account. Participants will also have to measure and record their half hourly electricity consumption and submit a footprint report and annual report on their emissions between 1 April 2011 and 29 July 2011.

Please note that any Participants that failed to register before 30th September 2010 can be fined £5,000 plus a further £500 for each subsequent working day of delay up to a maximum of 80 working days, plus your non-compliance will be published by the Agency. At the time of writing however at least half of the business in the UK that should have registered has not yet done so,

The CRC scheme is intended to create a financial incentive to cut energy use, and those organisations that record the biggest reductions will get bonuses, funded by penalties imposed on those with the worst record.

For more information please see <http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/business/topics/pollution/98263.aspx>

**Protocol sees waste ash used for aggregate:** According to Netregs the pulverised fuel ash (PFA) and furnace bottom ash (FBA) quality protocol means that PFA and FBA will no longer be classified as waste when used in bound and grout applications, providing you meet the criteria set out in the quality protocol. This means PFA and FBA can be used without waste management controls in England, Northern Ireland and Wales. This means for example, if it is not classed as a waste, you do not need to transport it using a waste carrier or with a waste transfer note. The protocol launched could keep 300,000 tonnes of PFA and FBA out of landfill per year.

[http://www.netregs.gov.uk/netregs/businesses/construction/62407.aspx?utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=NetRegs&utm\\_campaign=October+2010+\(Issue+38\)&utm\\_content=Construction-QP&dm\\_i=2WX,9DRW,8LHV2,OUNZ,1#PFA](http://www.netregs.gov.uk/netregs/businesses/construction/62407.aspx?utm_medium=email&utm_source=NetRegs&utm_campaign=October+2010+(Issue+38)&utm_content=Construction-QP&dm_i=2WX,9DRW,8LHV2,OUNZ,1#PFA)

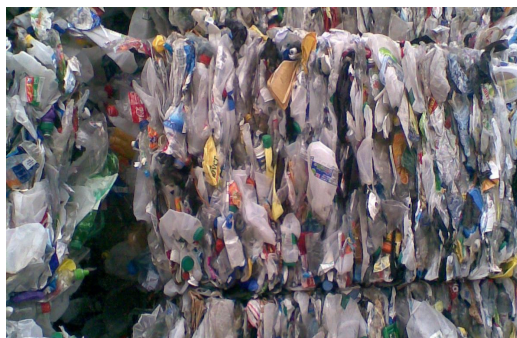
### Contract to Recycle Fife's Plastic and Cans Starts



From the 1<sup>st</sup> October for at least the next three years J&B Recycling will be responsible for recycling the domestic Plastic and Cans collected from the kerbside by Fife Council, which is the third largest of Scotland's unitary local authorities. The Council provides a full range of local government services to the people of Fife from over 145,000 households in a total area of 507 square miles (1,312 sq. km).

At present 1300 tonnes per annum of plastic and cans are collected in the initial phase, however as the new service rolls out to the remainder of Fife this is expected to increase to 5700 tonnes per annum.

J&B were awarded the contract via a tender process due to a number of factors not least being the quality of the service we provide in terms of our sorting capability at our Material Recycling Facility and the arrangements we have in place with reproprocessors to guarantee the recycling of plastic bottles, aluminium cans and steel cans.



### Community News

J&B will be supporting the "wear it pink day" as October is the official Breast Cancer Awareness Month (BCAM). The purpose of BCAM is to raise awareness of breast cancer, encourage women to be breast aware and is a crucial fundraising opportunity for charities, such as Breast Cancer Campaign. Breast Cancer Campaign is inviting everyone to help us take a step closer to beating breast cancer by taking part in **wear it pink**. All of J&B's office staff will be wearing an item of pink on Friday 29th October and will each donate £2 to the Campaign, however we are still trying to convince our collection drivers to do the same!





Our Sales Ledger Manager Christine also recently took part in the Race for Life with her family and with the support of J&B raised £679.00 for Cancer Research UK

You can see Christine hiding at the back in the middle of the picture opposite which was taken before the grueling 5k run around Haydock Racecourse (I've seen the "after" pictures too and despite what others might say her face was **not** the same colour as that hat)

Since 1994 when the first "Race" was staged so far, an incredible 4.7 million women have raised over £370 million to fund Cancer Research UK's life-saving work.



Heighington AFC Boys Under 14s play in the Teesside Junior Football Alliance League. They kicked off their 2010/11 in style with a brand new home and away kit provided by J&B Recycling.



Their old kit was also recycled with the help of "KitAid" as the squad donated their old strips and some equipment to KitAid, which is a registered charity that distributes thousands of football kits to children, young people and adults, all over the world each year.

KitAid continues to appeal for more good condition kit to send around the world therefore If you have something to donate please visit <https://central.veoliawater.co.uk/kit-aid.aspx>

### New Appointments at J&B

A number of new positions have been filled since our last Newsletter.

As J&B have a mixture of nationalities working for them we have recruited Anna Mason who has completed a certificate in personnel practices (CIPD) and is fluent in Polish, Spanish, German, and has a basic understanding of Russian, to work in our Human Resource department.

Victor Ross joined J&B in July 2010 from SITA where he had managed their South Yorkshire/Lincolnshire Municipal collection contracts covering four sites, seventy vehicles and over 200 employees for 5 years. Prior to that he was the Service Centre Manager for 5 years at Cleanaway in Durham where his responsibilities were for the operational management of Cleanaway's Industrial and Commercial Waste and Recycling Collection service in the North East of England. This means he is very experienced in managing large multi site Logistics Operations.

Adrian Hall was recruited in a paid internship position from Sunderland University to work in our Customer Service Department to handle incoming queries and to develop our telesales activity. Adrian has also provided cover for Clare Bradley who is currently on maternity leave, Clare had a baby girl called Daisy at the end of August and I am sure that all of the customer's that Clare looked after during her time at J&B will wish her all the best until her return next year.

John Dullard was appointed as a roving weighbridge operator at J&B's four operating sites on Teesside that have weighbridges to provide cover for holidays and to allow for the rotation of staff, so that the weighbridges can be manned at all the sites on a weekend.



*Anna Mason*



*Adrian Hall*



*Victor Ross*



*John Dullard*



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