

ANNIVERSARY ISSUE FOR CUSTOMERS & EMPLOYEES OF CCE

COMMERCIAL CONTRACT ENGINEERS LTD CELEBRATES 25 YEARS OF BUSINESS

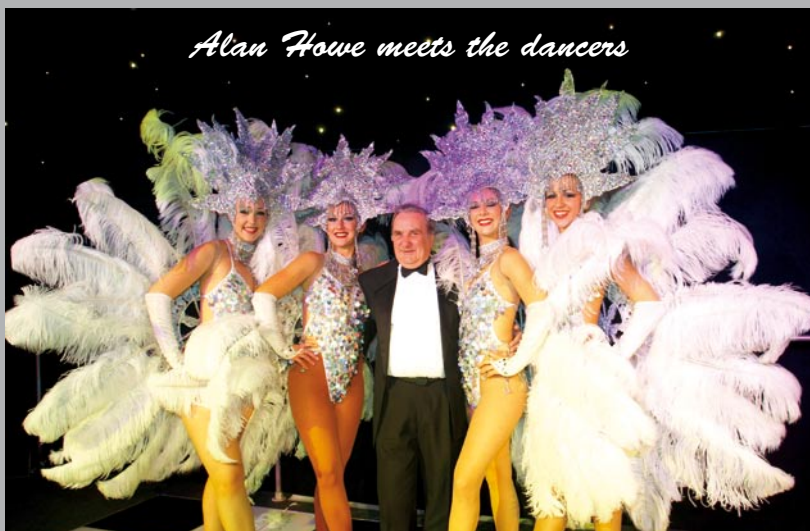
Rochdale based Commercial Contract Engineers Ltd (CCE) is one of the major players in the vehicle maintenance and repair industry, with a strong reputation for high quality service.

On 1st December 2006, CCE celebrated 25 years of business – a major milestone and a tremendous mark of achievement, following a record financial year in 2006, having achieved an annual turnover of £3.4 million. The company is now in the top four accident repair and vehicle maintenance specialists in the country for commercial vehicles, trailers, vans, 4X4s and cars.

The celebration black-tie ball was held at The Marquee, The Belfry House Hotel, Handforth, Wilmslow, Cheshire, where over 450 friends, family, employees, clients and local and national journalists attended a glittering evening.

Bodyshop Awards

A key service offering, believed to be unique in the sector, is a replacement hire vehicle (in a variety of sizes) so that distributors can avoid expensive downtime – a service much appreciated by drivers and fleet operators alike. This innovative service was recognised by the industry when CCE received the Bodyshop Magazine Award in 1999. Also in the same year, CCE was nominated for the Bodyshop Commercial Vehicle Award,



which the company actually won in 2001 and were runners up in 2006. A further important service from Commercial Contract Engineers Ltd is planned maintenance, which allows the operator to control costs through a fixed maintenance agreement (for example servicing agreements between three and five years, dependent on the customer's requirements) and also minimises downtime between repairs.

Key Markets

CCE's key markets are insurance companies and general fleet clients with HGV maintenance at 20 per cent+, HGV repairs at 45 per cent and car/light vehicle repairs accounting for 35 per cent of the business.

Commercial Contract Engineers is very much a family business, with Phil Ewbank,

49, Managing Director, and his wife, Wendy, Financial Director. Their daughter, Michelle, is the Sales Administration Manager and son, Lee, has an estimating role. They are supported by a workforce of 48 employees.

Phil Ewbank is keen to develop the company's profile on a national level, confident that its Rochdale location is centrally suited to the industry's requirements. His philosophy is one of fostering staff loyalty and delivering a first class and

competitive service through a state of the art facility, modern equipment and technical knowledge underpinned by the ability to provide a total service package under one roof.

His personal commitment to the local community has been recognised by his appointment as Chairman of the Rochdale Development Agency.

Thank You

Phil and Wendy would like to say a personal thank you to everyone involved in the success story that is Commercial Contract Engineers: "Without our clients, and most importantly our employees, we would not be in the position we are today. I hope everyone enjoyed the 25th anniversary celebration – our way of saying 'thank you' to you all."

"It was great to be at the 25th Celebration – What a party!! All the best for the future years. You are most certainly the vanguard of the CV world!"
Phil Simpson, Josam UK

"...I think its fair to say you pushed the boat out in some style for your 25th Anniversary Celebrations. It was a truly brilliant night... Many thanks again from us all at Matthews Transport."
Jason Matthews, Matthews Transport

Congratulations Flood in to CCE

"...We were pleased to be a part of many people enjoying themselves to help celebrate your special occasion. In today's commercial environment it is an exceptional achievement and credit to your hard work and commitment."
David Critchley and Martin Woodman, Euroway

"Your generosity and kindness in sharing your celebration will have been greatly appreciated... We now live in such a mercenary world that such actions are almost unheard of but isn't it a lovely way to celebrate achievement?"
Robert Deakin, Cross Heights Truckparts Ltd

"... Thank you for asking us to join you and your family and friends in your 25th Anniversary Celebrations"
Philip Hoyle, Frank Hoyle Transport

A NIGHT TO REMEMBER



A QUARTER OF A CENTURY OF SUCCESS



Phil & Wendy



Roy Brown - 20 Years' Service



Bob Howell - 20 Years Service



Swing while you're winning!



Lee & Patrick & the Going Places Girls



Gary Millard - Over 20 Years' Service



Michelle & Lee

To celebrate 25 years of successful business, Commercial Contract Engineers held a 'Winter Wonderland' black-tie ball at The Belfry House Hotel in Wilmslow for over 450 guests.

Phil and Wendy Ewbank were joined by friends, employees, family, clients and local and national journalists to celebrate 25 years of the Rochdale-based repairs and maintenance company.

With 'Frank Sinatra', dancers, competitions with outstanding prizes, including a once in a lifetime Caribbean holiday and its very own 'Strictly Come Dancing' competition amongst a host of entertainers, Phil and Wendy and their guests celebrated in style.

Phil Ewbank, Managing Director, Commercial Contract Engineers, commented at the celebration:

"This is our way of saying a very big thank you to all our clients and most importantly to our employees, for it's their dedication and commitment to quality and customer service that has made Commercial Contract Engineers the success story it is today. If I had looked into the future when we started this business I could not have imagined what we have become today – you have all helped make this possible."

"I hope everyone enjoyed the ball as much as we did."

CCE started life a quarter of a century ago with just a handful of staff, but now employs 48 people and occupies a position as one of the top four accident repair and vehicle maintenance specialists in the UK for cars, commercial vehicles, trailers and vans.

25 YEARS OF CCE



RUNNERS UP TO THE COMMERCIAL VEHICLE BODYSHOP OF THE YEAR

At a recent award ceremony held at the Hilton, Hammersmith, London, the Rochdale-based Commercial Contract Engineers were runners-up to the highly prized 'Commercial Vehicle Bodyshop of the Year'.

The event, sponsored by the Bodyshop Magazine, was attended by over 900 guests from across the industry and celebrated excellence in bodyshop work.

The prestigious awards were judged by independent assessors, experts in their respective fields, including past Award winners.

Phil Ewbank, Managing Director, Commercial Contract Engineers, commented: "We were delighted to be awarded runners-up to the Commercial Vehicle Bodyshop of the Year. This is a glowing testament to CCE and most importantly, the hard work and commitment of our staff."



"When we started CCE all those years ago, we had a vision to become one of the best. We are now recognised as one of the premier maintenance and repair specialists in the UK, as this significant industry award demonstrates."

"The team at CCE is ambitious for the future and we will strive to win this award next year – what will be a most fitting accolade for our silver anniversary!"

CCE has a glowing record of achievement which includes the Bodyshop Magazine Award in 1999 and the Bodyshop Commercial Vehicle Award itself, in 2001.

INTRODUCING THREE OF THE TEAM



Rick Cummings
Bodyshop Foreman

Rick has been with CCE for 17 years, joining after a spell in the Royal Armoured Corps – he is still nicknamed trooper!

He oversees all Bodyshop work related issues, including all technically related work, keeping Ali Grimshaw, the Service Manager, fully informed as the jobs progress and has a good working relationship with Dave Munroe, the Paintshop Foreman.

Rick said of his career with CCE: "I have watched CCE develop from what was really only a backstreet garage, punching above its weight. We did what we could with the building in Middleton, but we soon outgrew the site. Now, at Rochdale, I am confident that we are the best Bodyshop in the country, and certainly in the region."

"The challenges have developed with the job – I enjoy my work and am pleased with the amount of training available."

"After leaving the tank regiment, I went back to college – and I was lucky that I caught Phil's eye – he likes to give people chances and really drives CCE forward."

"One thing I really look forward to each day is the football cum tennis game that we play every lunch. The rules are more intricate than chess and change all the time – it's a real CCE thing. It was during these breaks that I met my partner, Debs, who was obviously impressed with my skill!"

"The only downside to Phil is that he is rubbish at football – but at least he knows it. In my opinion, even the dog is better."

Phil disagrees, noting that the dog now suffers from arthritis!



Sarah Stewart
Receptionist

Sarah has been with CCE for eight years, joining straight after she left school and initially working at the Middleton site.

She has seen CCE

grow to the large operation it is today and has noticed the increasing amount of work that the company undertakes.

Alongside her receptionist duties, Sarah works with the busy service department, enjoying the constant flow of work that comes through the door.

Sarah likes to help out in each department as much as she can, and finds the variety of tasks exciting.

She says the best thing about CCE is the people: "Everyone is nice and cheerful – we like to have a laugh, and there are always social events on the calendar."

"I am also glad to have gained an NVQ Level 2 in administration and have been on various administration courses with CCE. I thoroughly enjoyed the 25th anniversary celebration – it's a real milestone for CCE and it gave me an excuse to buy a new dress!"

Congratulations to Sarah and Lee, who are expecting their first child in July 2007!



Lee Whittaker HGV
Mechanic

Lee, 22, joined CCE only six months ago, and has already settled into the firm.

He came from a local garage and carried out his initial training through Volvo.

Lee enjoys the variety of work he gets involved in: "It's a bright, colourful place to work, with a good atmosphere and team spirit. Everyone is helpful and no one seems to have a bad word to say about anybody."

"I enjoy the fast pace of the accident repair side and I look forward to getting more involved in this department, having learnt a lot from training on the truck alignment jig."

"My lifestyle has much improved since starting with CCE – I can plan my life – I like to be home in the evenings and to be able to go out at the weekends. This wasn't possible before I joined."

"I hope to have a long term career with CCE – it would be nice to be part of the 50th anniversary celebration in 2031!"

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