



# Fife EmployAbility



Summer edition

celebrating diversity in the workplace



## Welcome to the Summer Edition of the Fife Employability Team Newsletter

Read on for further information about just some of the excellent products and quality services provided by Fife Employability Team, and make a note of the forthcoming events. Features include:

- Fife Business Diversity Awards 2006
- Celebrating Success 2006
- Quality services and products from Fife EmployAbility Team



## NOMINATION TIME FOR THE FIFE BUSINESS DIVERSITY AWARDS 2006

Fife Business Diversity Awards 2006 are looking for nominations on behalf of businesses who are recruiting and retaining disabled people in employment.

Last year's Overall Winner was ASDA St Leonard's.

Jacqueline Stones, Personnel Manager said, " We've got a range of employees with disabilities. Disabled people have a massive contribution to make to the business. People who live in the community should be able to work in the community. You could be missing out on a huge skills base by not considering disabled people in the working environment."

It couldn't be easier – nominations will be accepted from employers, a member of staff or a customer. If you feel a business is a potential Award Winner you can download the form on [www.fifedirect.org.uk/fenlink](http://www.fifedirect.org.uk/fenlink) or call



Picture shows the winners of FBDA 2005 with Anne McGuire, Minister for Disabled People.

# Celebrating Success 2006



01592 415971 for an electronic or posted nomination form. **Nominations to be submitted by June 20<sup>th</sup> 2006.**



Picture shows Councillor Irene Connelly with the event speakers and staff from Fife EmployAbility Team  
Back Row: Callum MacGregor, Jacqueline Stones, Angela Hamilton, Alan Hamilton,

Fife Employability Team highlighted the work and success of disabled people they have supported into employment at a "Celebrating Success" event on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May at Rothes Hall, Glenrothes.

Over 70 people attended the event and enjoyed hearing about the positive experiences of people like Billy Horsburgh, who now works for Premier Contact. Billy said, "As a youngster I dreamt of being a builder or working in computer graphics, but I was always aware that due to my disability this would be difficult. With the help of Fife Employability Team I'm now working, feel more confident and as I'm earning more money can get out and socialize more."

Councillor Irene Connelly, who gave the opening remarks said, " I'm delighted to be here today and listening to peoples' stories of success. It's truly inspiring to learn about the achievements of people with disabilities in employment."

If you want to find out more about the services provided by Fife Employability Team

# KINGDOM SUPPORT ZONE

Fife Employability Teams Events & Media Solutions Team have been working in association with Kingdom Shopping Centre and Fife Police to launch the 'Kingdom Support Zone'.

This is a new scheme to help ensure the Kingdom Shopping Centre meets the needs of customers with learning disabilities. The centres cleaning and security staff, have undergone disability awareness training provided to them by Fife Employability Team. These trained staff members now wear badges to identify them as members of the 'Support Zone'. This now allows customers to know that they can be confident in approaching them and that they will be treated with consideration and respect no matter what help they require.



Picture above shows representatives from Kingdom Shopping Centre, Events & Media Solutions Team



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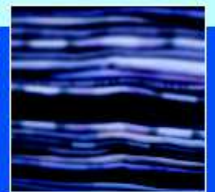
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**Event and Media Solutions** are part of the Fife Employability Team, Fife Council.

We provide employment opportunities to people with disabilities, providing a range of services including:

- CD and DVD duplication, from one to 500 copies.
- Produce interactive CDs for use in presentations, training and exhibitions.
- Digital video, we can film and edit any event.
- Conference planning, we can assist you in planning your conference.
- Promotional materials, we can brand various promotional gifts from badges to keyrings.
- Accessible information, we can transfer your information into accessible formats for people with learning difficulties.

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**BUSINESS DIVERSITY AWARDS 2006**

**Don't forget to nominate!**

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