

8th ECANZ CHALLENGE 2009

Electrical Apprentice of the Year Competition

Where: Christchurch (Addington Raceway and the Christchurch Art Gallery)

When: 15-17 July 2009

Number of Entrants: 113 (84-29 split)

Number of Finalists: 12 (6 Commercial/Domestic, 6 Industrial)

Commercial/Domestic Results

WINNER: Darryl Ferencz, Auckland

Employer: ETCO/Ryan Electrical

Off-Job Trainer: ETCO

SECOND PLACE: Jason Armstrong, Oamaru

Employer: Plunket Electrical

Off-Job Trainer: ETCO

THIRD PLACE: Nicholas Mullins, Drury

Employer: MB Electrical

Off-Job Trainer: ETCO

FINALISTS:

Liam Clark, Wanganui, Employer: Don Gilbertson Electrical, Off-job trainer: ETCO

Dalton Kahotea, Whangarei Employer: ETCO/Positive Electrical, Off-job trainer: ETCO

Michael Russell, Invercargill, Employer: ETCO/H&Js Electrical, Off-job trainer: ETCO



Winners Darryl Ferencz and Cole Jackson

PRIZES FOR EACH SECTION:

First:	Travel \$1,250, Telecom Voucher: \$1,000
Second:	Travel \$800, Telecom Voucher: \$750
Third:	Travel \$500, Telecom Voucher: \$500
Each Finalist:	TransNet donated toolkits
Special:	ETITO generously donated a 21 Day Anakiwa Outward Bound Course to each winner

Industrial Results

WINNER: Cole Jackson, Auckland

Employer: ETCO/Dalton Electrical

Off-Job Trainer: ETCO

SECOND PLACE: William Kok, Hawera

Employer: Greaves Electrical

Off-Job Trainer: ETCO

THIRD PLACE: Shaun McInerney, Invercargill

Employer: Bremca Southland

Off-Job Trainer: ETCO

FINALISTS:

Daniel Berry, Auckland, Employer: ETCO/Dalton Electrical, Off-job trainer: ETCO

Hoani Davis, Wanganui, Employer: Alf Downs and Son Ltd Off-job trainer: UCOL

Evan Roberts, Palmerston North, Employer: ETCO/Massey University Facilities Maintenance, Off-job trainer: ETCO

New Award:

JUDGES LEADERSHIP AWARD: WILLIAM KOK

ETITO came to ECANZ and said that they had managed to obtain an extra outward bound course (a third one) so asked if it could be woven into the competition somehow – so it was. The ‘Judges Choice Leadership Award’ was born, going to Industrial second place getter, William Kok.

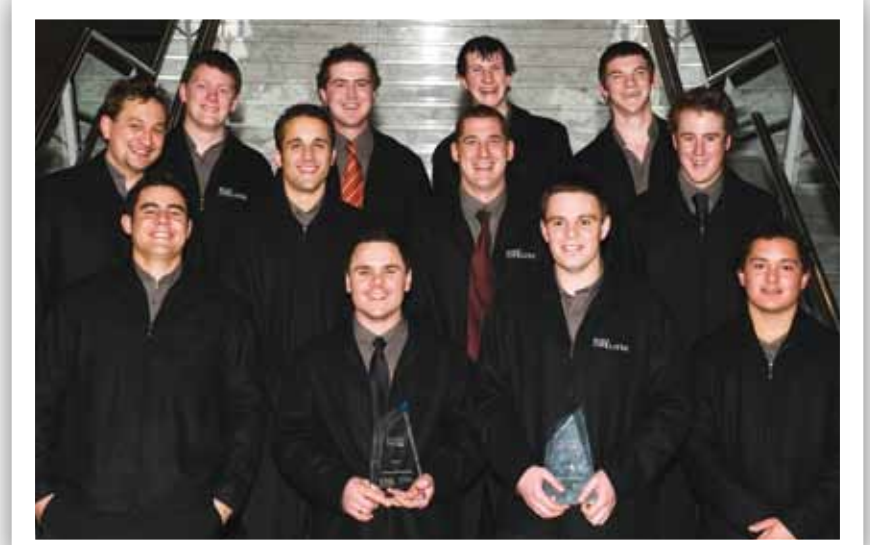


The Challenge was again held in conjunction with the large, one day, ECANZ Canterbury and Westland Branch Electrical Trade Fair.

Award's Dinner Guest Speaker, Mark Inglis, was an apt speaker, relaying the importance of Goal Setting, how to deal with challenges & set backs, and how adversity makes you stronger.



Mark Inglis with Darryl Ferencz and ECANZ National President Mike Rawson



ECANZ challenge 2009 Finalists



Since 2006 Judge Neville Dreaver was the ‘store man’, hosting a trestle table with the essential items the apprentices required when working on their projects, and were free to collect what they needed. This year Neville (or Luigi, as he is known around the competition) gets official premises with a counter for his wholesale outlet.

JUDGES:

Mike Webster (Head Judge), Brian Piercy, Charlie Turner, Ross Gordon, John Knight, Ricky Lee, Gary Whittaker, Paul Craven, Neville Dreaver. Dale Carley and Ken Hay first year as finals judges (previously judged in their local region).

Kyle Huggard came down as apprentice liaison and general helper (trainee judge if you will).

Sam Ponga, after 7 years of service judging, 6 as Head Judge, resigned from the Challenge.

MANAGEMENT TEAM: Colin Tilley & Carl Rankin

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