

Austube Mills scoops national safety awards

Diligent management of onsite risks and high value placed on recognising the role of operational team members allowed Austube Mills to top three out of four categories in the latest of ASI's annual National Health and Safety Excellence Awards it was announced on 12 September with two accorded to its Brisbane site alone.

Austube Mills was selected as the winner in the Individual, Safety Practitioner and Outstanding Site/Department categories. The winners were presented by awards sponsor, AustralianSuper at the Gala Dinner of the Australian Steel Convention at Grand Hyatt Melbourne.

Maintenance and Reliability Superintendent at Austube Mills in Brisbane, **Rick Dunn** was named the Individual Award winner and Safety Leader at Austube Mills in Newcastle, **David Gomez** was recognised as the top Individual Practitioner.

The Outstanding Site/Department Award went to the Manufacturing Department of Austube Mills in Brisbane for seamlessly integrating the functions from the business' Melbourne facility without major incident.

The award judges from the ASI, Rondo Building Services, Southern Steel Group and Stramit Building Products also selected OneSteel Metalcentres' Mobile Equipment Headlight Team for taking leadership on a top five onsite safety risk to win in the Improvement Initiative category.

In related news, Toll Contract Logistics SEQ was named Logistics Supplier of the Year for safely supplying metropolitan and region transport services to BlueScope Steel in Queensland over the past two years, including no load restraint failures. All current Steel Transport Safety Network members are eligible for this award sponsored by Signode.

Judging Panel

Phil Casey (National Safety Manager, Australian Steel Institute)

Kelvin Maber (National Compliance Manager, Stramit Building Products)

Adrian Marino (National Safety and Quality Manager, Southern Steel Group)

Gonz Marquez (Group Safety, Quality and Environment Manager, Rondo Building Services)



(L to R) The Austube Mills winners: **David Gomez**, **Anthony Bryant**, **Rick Dunn** with Production Team Leader, **Greg Lawson** who accepted the Outstanding Site Award on behalf of the Acacia Ridge production team.

Individual Award

WINNER – Rick Dunn (Maintenance and Reliability Superintendent, Austube Mills Acacia Ridge)

Rick embodies many of attributes and strengths of a strong safety leader through good communication, responsible actions, developing others on the safety journey and has a knack for hazard identification, risk assessment and incident investigation from root cause through to corrective actions. He has made a major contribution to incident and injury prevention and building a strong safety culture at the Acacia Ridge site. He regularly questions and challenges people to do more and be more pro-active around safety. He has also delivered quantifiable improvements/initiatives for the organisation and the workplace such as de-commissioning of several large-scale assets and removal projects delivered without injury or incident.

High Commendation – Anthony Bryant (Training Coordinator, Austube Mills Newcastle)

High Commendation – Sione Vea (Plant Operator, OneSteel Recycling, Chipping Norton)

Individual Practitioner Award

WINNER – David Gomez (Safety Leader, Austube Mills Newcastle)

David has worked at the business for over 12 years. His knowledge and passion around codes of practice, critical elements and safety is why he was selected to accompany Dupont to roll out the Safety Leadership workshop across all ATM sites. He constantly engages and challenges safety performance and safety leadership with his leaders and colleagues to flush out the best outcomes. He encourages his people and teams to develop and implement processes and outcomes to the shop floor continually reducing risk on site. He was a critical part of the crane variation responding to the fatality in Peru, engaging critical stakeholders, external and internal contractors for consistency and clarity in the system.

Improvement Initiative Award

WINNER – Mobile Equipment Headlight Team (OneSteel Metalcentres)

With over 90 percent of OneSteel Metalcentre businesses identifying mobile equipment as a Top Five High Potential Hazard onsite, the team undertook a complete review of all current mobile equipment to understand operators' issues and completed a detailed analysis of all prior incidents involving forklifts across the business. A survey was conducted with 148 operational and management team members to gauge the views of mobile equipment safety. As some sites were found to be overloading their forklifts when unloading mill loads the team considered the use of overloading alarms to reduce and/or eliminate those incidents leading to new types of tynes fitted and tested. The team also worked with the Safety Council to design a standardised compliance plate to make forklift capabilities clearer to operators.

High Commendation – SteelDrive (BlueScope, Toll Logistics and K&S Group, Port Kembla NSW)



(L to R) AustralianSuper National Manager – Stakeholder Relations, **Louise Charsley** presents the Improvement Initiative Award to OneSteel Business Development Manager Southern, **Jack Norris**.

Outstanding Site/Dept Award

WINNER – Manufacturing Department (Austube Mills, Acacia Ridge QLD)

The Department needed to seamlessly transition the workforce to suit the new operational footprint with the Melbourne manufacturing facility closing and the Acacia Ridge manufacturing footprint increasing from 39,000 to 65,000 tonnes with a commensurate increase in the manufacturing workforce there. Many meetings were held to ensure safety and quality was always front of mind through every facet of the transition. Extra presence on the shop floor and concentrated safety toolbox talks were held by supervisors. Increased targets on near misses being reported and extra safety observations by leaders were implemented. While the department experience one MTI during the period, no Notifiable and High Potential Incidents were recorded.

High Commendation – Live Ballroom and Convention Centre (S&L Steel, Darling Harbour NSW)

High Commendation – Christmas Shutdown 2015 (OneSteel Recycling Maintenance Team, Laverton VIC)

Logistics Supplier of the Year

WINNER – Toll Contract Logistics SEQ

In supplying metropolitan and regional transport services to BlueScope Steel in Queensland, over the past two years, Toll Contract Logistics SEQ proactively sought to improve its safety and service performance. Through its strong commitment particularly to driver training, it has delivered strong operational and safety results with no load restraint failures found with more than a quarter of all loads audited, about 150 less near miss/hazard reports and 200 less corrective action reports required.



Signode Managing Director (Australia and New Zealand), **Andrew Dallison** presents the Logistics Supplier of the Year award to Toll Logistics Southern and Western Manager, **Jeff Newton**.

Entrants

The Australian Steel Institute extends special thanks for all submissions and congratulates the supply chain on an all-inclusive approach to safer steel delivery.

INDIVIDUAL AWARD:

Rod Anderson

(Production Manager, OneSteel Wire Mill, Newcastle NSW)

Anthony Bryant

(Training Coordinator, Austube Mills, Newcastle NSW)

Rick Dunn (Maintenance & Reliability Superintendent, Austube Mills, Acacia Ridge QLD)

Scott Keating (WA State Manager, Austube Mills, Forrestfield WA)

Alex Noller (Site Engineer, Austube Mills, Newcastle NSW)

Chris Stubbs

(Reliability Maintenance Manager, Austube Mills, Newcastle NSW)

Sione Vea (Plant Operator, OneSteel Recycling, Chipping Norton)

Roger Vekve (Electrical Supervisor, Austube Mills, Acacia Ridge QLD)

IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVE AWARD:

First Aid Response Training (Security International Services, Mayfield NSW)

Mobile Equipment Headlight Team (OneSteel Metalcentres)

Reducing Risk of Falls from Top of Trays/Trailers (K&S Freighters VIC)

Reduction in Loading Yard Traffic Interactions

(BlueScope Steel, Wangara WA)

Sheet Store Transformation Project

(Brice Metals Australia, Cavan SA)

SteelDrive

(BlueScope, Toll Logistics and K&S Group, Port Kembla NSW)

Tarp Spreader (OneSteel Recycling, Hemmant QLD)

Tipper Project (OneSteel Recycling, Chipping Norton NSW)

Tree of Life (ARC, Forrestfield WA)

T Wrappa Implementation (OneSteel Recycling, Hemmant QLD)

SITE/DEPARTMENT AWARD:

Austube Mills Manufacturing Department (Acacia Ridge QLD)

BlueScope Building Components Site Safety Traffic Management (Wangara WA)

BlueScope Processing and Logistics Project Raven Team (Wingfield SA)

BlueScope Services Department i-care Recipes for Safety (Port Kembla NSW)

Ingal Civil Products Goal Zero Team (Minto NSW)

S&L Steel at Live Ballroom and Convention Centre (Darling Harbour NSW)

OneSteel Recycling Goal Zero Team (Chipping Norton NSW)

OneSteel Recycling Maintenance Team 2015 Christmas Shutdown (Laverton VIC)

OneSteel Recycling PKN Operations Management Team (Acacia Ridge QLD)

OneSteel Rod, Bar & Wire REMS Workshop Fence Post Tooling (Newcastle NSW)

OneSteel Sydney Melt Shop (Rooty Hill NSW)

Partridge Event on Skymate (Adelaide SA)

Southern Sheet and Coil (Bankstown NSW)

Toll Integrated Logistics Zero Harm Program (NS BlueScope Malaysia)

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