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We would like to thank Ray Langford, NACS Member & Regional Officer, for providing the picture for this issue of the Chimney Journal magazine. The front cover is a picture of the Chimneys at Alupka Palace in the Ukraine, which is an historic palace situated at the foot of the Crimean Mountains. The palace was built from 1828 through 1848 for Prince Mikhail Semyonovich Vorontsov for use as his personal summer residence. It was designed in the Tudor style by English architect Edward Blore and his assistant William Hunt, and possesses eastern architectural influences such as the Gothic-style Chimney Stacks, which are reminiscent of Islamic minarets. The building incorporates elements of Scottish Baronial, Moorish Revival, and Gothic Revival architecture. Blore had designed many buildings in the UK, and was particularly well known for completing the design of the Buckingham Palace in London. The palace now serves as an outstanding architectural monument and art museum.

## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

I can't believe it's this time of year again; where have the past 12 months gone? It's been another productive year for the NACS as it continues to progress as a Trade Association, and its National Chimney Training Centre being busier than ever. I really hope all NACS Members have been experiencing a successful season so far, and continue to do so.

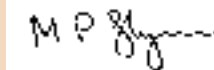


The next Trade Show, AGM & Gala Dinner has been arranged for 19th & 20th April 2013 at The Daventry Court Hotel in Daventry, Northamptonshire. More details can be found inside this magazine and on the NACS website. A lot of hard work goes into arranging the Chimney Works Trade Show, so I really hope you will take the time to visit and support the Association with all that it strives to achieve and promote.

Many of us Chimney Sweeps are broadening our skills to be able to specialise in other Chimney related work, i.e. smoke testing of flues, flue linings, and CCTV/Surveys etc. With the introduction of HETAS courses at the NACS National Chimney Training Centre, a broad range of training courses scheduled for 2013 are now available. The training course dates for 2013 can be found inside this magazine. I urge all of you to consider attending these courses which will help you improve your business and keep you ahead of your competitors. It really does enhance your business to become qualified.

On behalf of the NACS Board of Directors, Regional Officers and the NACS Office, I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year, and I look forward to seeing you all at the Chimney Works Trade Show in 2013.

Best regards,



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## CE MARKING – NOT WHAT IT APPEARS TO BE?

The vast majority of stove manufacturers go to great lengths to ensure that products are thoroughly tested by independent test houses. Testing helps to validate manufacturer claims of efficiency and heat output and offers a clear indication to the end user of how they can expect a product to perform under correct usage. As reported in the June/July 2012 issue of the Fires & Fireplaces magazine, from 1st July 2013 the current Construction Products Directive will become the Construction Products Regulation. It will then be mandatory in the UK for a product covered by a harmonised European standard (hEN), or for which an ETA has been issued, to have a Declaration of Performance and be CE marked. With many appliance manufacturers having an eye on both British and European markets, CE marking for British made and marketed appliances is commonplace. At present, it is still possible to sell appliances which have only been tested for the country in which they are to be sold – in the UK this would be a British standard or Kitemark. In European countries a stove must be tested to EN 13240 to be sold legally in those countries. Stoves sold in the UK without bearing a CE mark, a British standard or a Kitemark, offer no evidence of having been independently tested and may, potentially, be un-safe. In addition, without having to bear the cost of expensive testing, these un-tested products often carry a much lower retail price. These lower prices will naturally appeal to the consumer who is less aware of the requirements for marking, thereby setting up a situation where properly tested and marked stoves can't compete on price.

It is a UK requirement that all solid fuel stoves are either installed by a competent person or signed off by a building planning officer. HETAS currently run the only solid fuel, wood and biomass competent persons scheme. Once HETAS registered an installer is able to self-certify that their work complies to current building regulations. HETAS is also recognised by Government for the official testing and approval of solid fuel appliances. HETAS Appliance Approval requires evidence that the product has been tested by a notified test lab and that it meets the requirements of the relevant EU manufacturing standard. Fires & Fireplaces has been passed details and photographic evidence of some suspect stoves being sold in a retail showroom here in the UK. In one example, a cast iron wood burning stove was on display without any British standard, Kitemark or CE mark in evidence. In another example in the same store, there were appliances on display bearing a CE mark label with incomplete information. The current Construction Products Directive sets out clear guidelines for the layout

and content of CE mark product labels. Annex ZA states “The CE marking symbol shall be in accordance with the general principles set out in Article 30 of Regulation (EC) No 765/2008 and shall be affixed visibly, legibly and indelibly.” It goes on to state that: “The CE marking shall be followed by:-

- the last two digits of the year in which it was first affixed
- the name and the registered address of the manufacturer, or the identifying mark allowing identification of the name and address of the manufacturer easily and without any ambiguity
- the unique identification code of the product-type
- the reference number of the declaration of performance
- the level or class of the performance declared
- the dated reference to the harmonised technical specification applied
- the identification number of the notified body
- the intended use as laid down in the harmonised technical specification applied”

In addition, solid fuel appliances' CE mark labels must also include a number of technical specifications including recommended fuel types, distance to adjacent combustible materials, CO content in the flue gases (which must be <1%) and a net efficiency percentage figure (which must be >50%). The photographic evidence we have shows at least two appliances from two different manufacturers currently on sale that do not carry the required information on the CE mark label.

CE marking is undertaken by a manufacturer by way of self certification. The manufacturer must be able to prove, by way of a Declaration of Performance (DoP), that a product has been independently tested and complies with the relevant standards. Once this has been documented, the manufacturer can CE mark its own appliance. This does beg the question of how a consumer can be expected to tell whether a CE mark is genuine, i.e. the manufacturer can back up the claims, or not? All multi fuel and wood burning appliances sold in the UK must meet with minimum efficiency rating under current Building Regulations. Evidence of efficiency testing is also required for HETAS Appliance Approval, as is evidence of factory production control procedures. If stoves are being sold without efficiency figures being stated at the point of purchase, how do consumers know this requirement has been complied with? I've been told that HM Customs officers have recently stepped up



background checks on products being brought into the UK with CE marks, requesting evidence of testing and the production procedures relevant for the product. But with the sheer volume of foreign imports this will never be a foolproof system. Retailers must also take on a greater share of responsibility to check that appliances are up to standard. In the case of a CE marked appliance this should include the retailer seeking a copy of the Declaration of Performance and checking the CE mark label includes the information detailed in Annex ZA. Indeed, if an issue arose with an appliance and an accident occurred during the use of that appliance, the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) would look to prove that the retailer had completed due diligence in selling the product, such as seeking satisfactory evidence of the manufacturer's claims, checking the CE mark etc. From the evidence we have seen, the “untrained eye” would have no way of telling if a CE mark label conforms to requirements or not. Either way, a consumer having purchased one of the photographed appliances would doubtless believe that they were buying a genuine and reputable stove. We are certain that this is not an isolated case. We have had reports of other examples being seen, but without the photographic evidence we are unable to comment. Manufacturers are going to considerable expense to thoroughly test and register their appliances and it is not unreasonable for them to expect some level of protection from the unfair competition that these bogus products present. Furthermore, consumers need to be able to trust that the stove they are buying will fulfil their expectations. If retailers are prepared to sell CE marked stoves without seeking evidence from the manufacturer that it has completed the necessary testing and paperwork to assert the CE mark, then the CE mark itself becomes worthless. At a time when so much is riding on the green agenda and the ability of this country to hit its 2020 and 2050 emissions targets, the positioning of the solid fuel stove industry, in particular wood burners, is crucial. It must be seen by government as an industry with consumer interests and safety at heart and an industry with the ability to manage and protect a legitimate and trusted benchmark for stove manufacture.

**Erica Royle**

Editor – Fire & Fireplaces Magazine

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## OUR FIRST CHIMNEY!

**W**hen you are looking to move house, some people have a “must-have” list; it must have a third bedroom, or a garage, or a south facing garden etc.

When my husband and I decided to move house we agreed that one of the “must haves” was a Chimney. Having lived for the past 10 years in a new build that only had an electric fireplace, we loved the idea of having a wood burner in the lounge which I feel makes a home feel really cosy. To come home after a long day and sit in front of a roaring fire whilst it’s cold and wet outside was a lovely thought. So when we first viewed the house we ended up purchasing, both our faces lit up when we saw not just one but two chimney breasts in the lounge – sold! The day of moving arrived and although it was an exciting new start for us, we couldn’t help be more excited at the thought of lighting the fire! However before we used it for the first time I wanted to get it checked by a professional, especially as the house had been empty for over a year.

On inspection we were informed that our chimney wasn’t lined and it was recommended that it should be a consideration for the near future. We were also informed that we had a cracked chimney pot and a few other areas of concern. I took guidance from NACS President Martin P. Glynn who suggested I didn’t use the stove and that I should ring a reputable chimney lining company such as Chimney Care Ltd. Having already built up a good working relationship with Andrew Shaw, a Director at Kompozit’all UK Ltd, which is part of the Kompozitor Group, I decided to call him for his advice. Andrew got straight on the case and shortly afterwards I received a phone call from David Fleming at Chimney Care who said he wanted to help too. First of all he would send a team of people to carry out a CCTV survey which would help decide where to go from there. Duncan and Matthew the “CCTV guys” arrived as arranged early one Friday morning. Instantly I felt comfortable in their presence, and with their knowledge and professionalism. Following their survey they advised the chimney wasn’t in a great way, and that there was also a breach in the chimney. Whilst they were there they CCTV surveyed the disused chimney too, which showed it was very moist inside and required air bricks to help sort the damp problem. Following the CCTV survey the lining of the chimney was booked in for two weeks



later.

Sam and Antony of Chimney Care Ltd arrived, again early on the Friday as planned, and they made me feel very at ease, the same as the CCTV guys did, which I feel is so important when you’re a lady in the house on your own. They got to work straight away, with the help of an espresso from the George Clooney coffee maker; it’s enough to wake anyone up! I only popped upstairs quickly for something and when I returned they had already sheeted up ensuring that everything in my lounge, especially in the immediate area around the chimney was fully covered. My immediate thought was impressive and knew straight away that they were conscientious workmen. They started by disconnecting the stove and the existing stove pipe, and then the existing register plate. The new register plate was cut out from galvanised steel and installed with an adapter. They then got started on the cracked chimney pot which they removed without problems.

The liner they were using was a FuranFlex liner; a new chimney lining system specifically engineered to tackle a number of chimney lining problems, and is made from a glass fibre reinforced thermosetting resin composite. This means when installed, FuranFlex liners are as strong as steel and also resist corrosion better than steel chimney liners. The liner looked nothing like I had seen before, it wasn’t like the ones we have on display at the NACS Chimney Training Centre. It looked almost like a beige coloured thick cloth fabric which was tube shaped and deflated looking. I was told that the liner can be installed without any demolition being necessary, which was a bonus! As it can be used in any length of chimney without the need for joints, and works with the route of chimneys that are not straight, plus it comes with a 25-year guarantee; it sounded like a fantastic system.

The new liner was fed down the chimney flue from the top, where bungs were attached to both the top and bottom which were then placed into stands. Next a steam generator



and blower were used from the bottom bung which inflated the liner, which I could see taking effect almost instantly.

The steaming process took around 3 hours, during which time the other remedial works were done (air bricks installed etc). The flue was then filled with vermiculite which insulates and fire proofs the flue. The flue then went through a series of stages of having fast cold air blown through it and then steam which ensures the liner sets. The result was a rock solid liner that was thin with a smooth interior. The plastic inner sleeve was then removed and a small grinder called a Dremel was used to cut the liner to fit inside the adapter.

The stove pipe was then measured and sealed to the adapter, and the stove was then moved back into place where the stove pipe was fitted to it. They then performed an up draught test which showed the pull of the smoke and when I looked outside at the smoke I could see it quite clearly out of the new chimney pot and bird guard that had been fitted in the meantime. I was advised not to use the stove for the next 48 hours to allow the seals etc to dry out properly. Sam & Antony then cleared everything away, completely tidying up after themselves; they even cleaned up the hearth and the stove which was a nice touch. I can’t thank Chimney Care enough for their hard work and dedication they showed into sorting both chimneys in our house, they really did go that extra mile, and for that I have no qualms in highly recommending them to potential customers.

48 hours later we lit the stove, and the initial excitement of buying the house in the first place and having a roaring fire in the lounge that is a captivating focal point was back – and it was well worth the wait! There truly isn’t anything better on a dark cold evening than curling up on the sofa with a hot drink enjoying our first chimney!

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# BS EN 15287

Those of you who attended my seminar at Chimney Works this year will recall I briefly outlined the major changes to the new National Annex to BS EN 15287 issued in July 2012. I followed this by summarising my comments in the subsequent Chimney Journal.

It was interesting to place on record the reaction received from all those who have taken on board the impact of these changes. Most have expressed alarm and outrage towards the seemingly backward step these proposals represent.

The revisions to the National Annex were proposed by Committee B/506 in an effort to bring the UK market into line with installation practices common to mainland Europe and at the same time make installation procedures easier to undertake.

Unlike our European cousins, safety standards are highly regarded in the UK. I believe this attitude stems from the lead taken by British Coal who insisted that no compromise would be tolerated

where public safety is concerned. In the past, much work was undertaken in researching best practice to minimise the risk from injury and death. This legacy lives on in the minds of many involved in the domestic heating installation and service industry.

In particular, members of Committee RHE/28 expressed grave concerns backed up by evidence from many leading trade members. As a consequence, several joint meetings were held between interested parties to reach an acceptable method of approach, especially the maximum horizontal length of flue allowed from the rear of a freestanding appliance. ADJ recommends a maximum of 150mm, yet the NA now allows a maximum of 450mm.

For your information, it was established that this NA could not be withdrawn once BSI had agreed to publish. However, it is possible to issue a corrigendum to modify this document. It has therefore been agreed to issue a corrigendum qualifying under what circumstances these changes

are acceptable.

This amendment makes reference to 'Alternative methods' where a horizontal connecting flue of more than 150mm is planned. It requires the following:-

- The appliance manufacturer agrees in writing
- The chimney manufacturer agrees in writing
- Calculations according to BS EN 13384-1 indicate safe operation and calculation results are left with appliance installation instructions
- Only a DEFRA exempted appliance is installed

In addition, it was agreed that it is imperative the horizontal length can be inspected for blockages and swept through access on 90° swept elbow and allows removal of deposits via a cleaning sump.

It was agreed these provisions should provide sufficient safeguards to minimise the risk to occupants.

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- FuranFlex has lined chimneys in Listed Buildings, bringing back into use large open fires without the requirement of reducing the fire openings or fitting chimney fans.
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## CE MARKING

For some years solid fuel appliances can only be sold across European borders if such appliances are CE Marked under the terms of the EU Construction Products Directive.

For unknown reasons previous Governments decided not to apply this rule to the UK. However, from July 2013 this is set to change.

The CPD is to be replaced by the Construction Products Regulation (CPR) which means that CE Marking will become mandatory in the UK after that date. Consequently, solid fuel appliance manufacturers will have until next summer to ensure their products meet the requirements.

All HETAS Approved appliances will meet the

standard and therefore qualify for CE Marking but, of course, there are many other products which do not feature in the HETAS Guide. Good quality appliances, of which you will no doubt be aware, will undoubtedly make the grade but this move will in future preclude the importation of sub-standard appliances from overseas via the internet.

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**Jim Lambeth**  
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## Seminars, Presentations & Demonstrations

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April**

**Seminar**

11:30am - 12:30pm

*“Technical Issues & Updates” - presented by Jim Lambeth, NACS Technical Advisor*

**Presentation & Demonstration**

3:00pm - 4:00pm

*“FuranFlex Technology” - a revolutionary solution to all lining applications  
- presented by Andrew Shaw / David Fleming*

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April**

**Seminar**

11:30am - 12:30pm

*“Technical Issues & Updates” (repeat of yesterdays seminar)  
- presented by Jim Lambeth, NACS Technical Advisor*



**CHIMNEY WORKS TRADE SHOW – 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> April 2013**  
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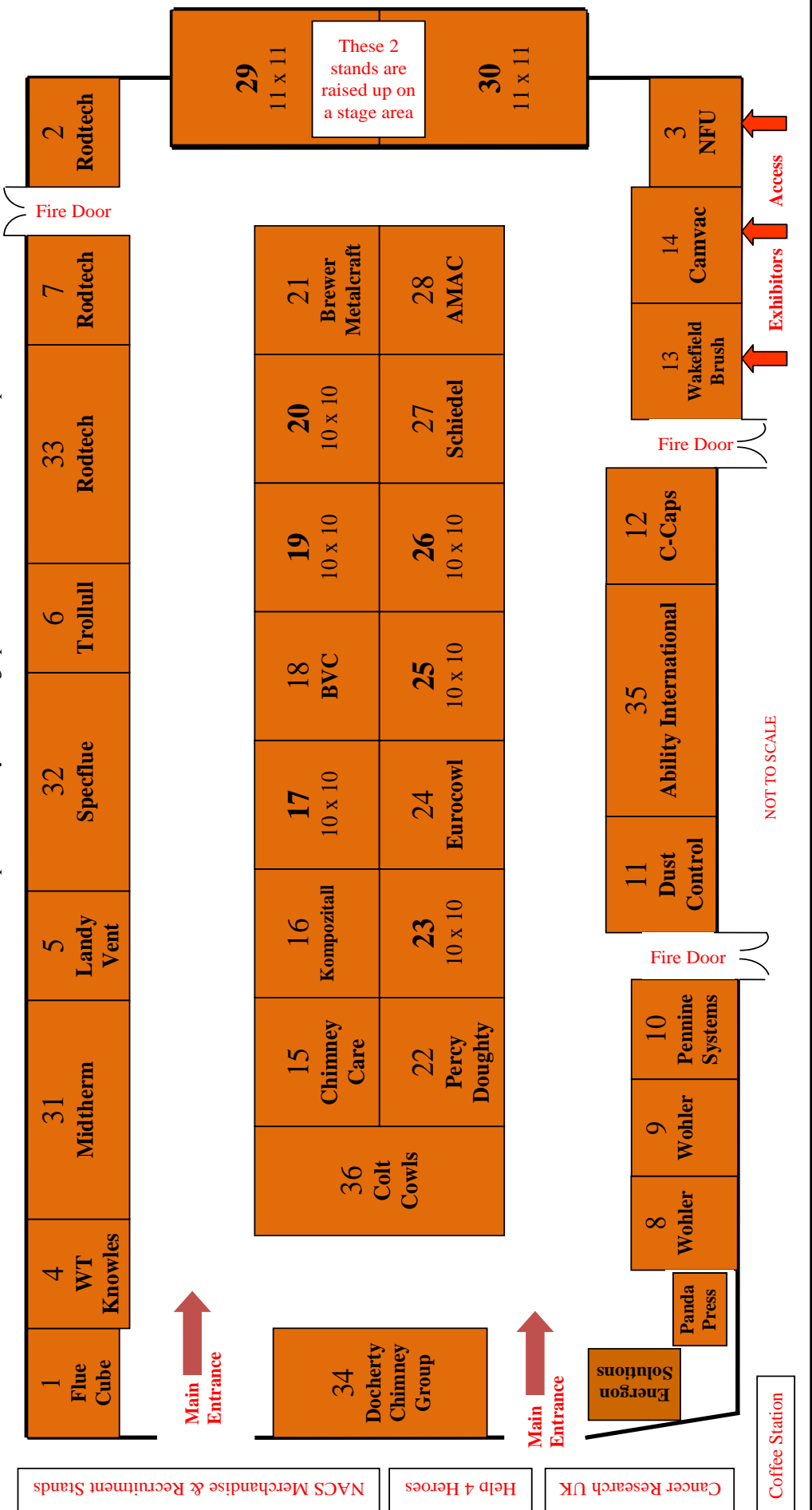
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19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2013

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TRADE STAND BOOKING FORM

Company Name.....  
Address.....  
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Names of ALL persons on stand (for name badges) .....

Please reserve Trade Stand Number: ..... (1<sup>st</sup> choice) ..... (2<sup>nd</sup> choice) ..... (3<sup>rd</sup> Choice)  
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# Gala Dinner 2013

Booking Form

Daventry Court Hotel, Sedgemoor Way, Daventry, Northamptonshire, NN11 0SG

SATURDAY 20<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2013 - 7:00pm – late!

Name.....  
Company (if applicable).....  
Address.....  
Postcode.....  
Tel:..... Email:.....

Please book places for the following:-

Guest Name		Adult	Child
1.		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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6.		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7.		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8.		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please find the meal choices enclosed. Please make your selection overleaf.

Please return booking forms & full payment to the NACS office by  
**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2013** Bookings after this date may not be guaranteed

**Payment**

I attach a cheque for £  
(Made payable to NACS)

**Prices**

Adults - £39.99  
Child (under 14yrs, children's menu) - £14.99

**Dress to impress!**

**Cancellations**

Please note that no refunds for cancellation of Gala  
Dinner bookings can be made unless 72 hours'  
notice is given in writing





## Menu Choices

Please indicate Starter, Main Course & Dessert choice for each guest:

**Adults Menu** - £39.99 each

	GUEST							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
<b>Starter</b>								
❖ Leek & Potato Soup with Crème Fraîche & Croutons	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
❖ Chicken Liver & Bacon Pate with Red Onion Marmalade & Toasted Brioche	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
❖ Goats Cheese & Walnut Tart with Pomodor Sauce	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Main Course</b>								
❖ Supreme of Chicken with Chorizo & Red Wine Sauce	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
❖ Slow Cooked Beef Steak with Bordelaise Sauce	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
❖ Herb Crusted Salmon Fillet with White Wine Sauce	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
❖ Mushroom Risotto Cakes with Olive & Pepper Dressing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Dessert</b>								
❖ White Chocolate Cheesecake with Raspberry Juices	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
❖ Pear & Almond Tart with Vanilla Ice Cream	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
❖ Selection of Cheese & Biscuits with Celery & Grapes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Freshly Brewed Coffee or Tea with Mints to follow

**Children's Menu** - £14.99 (children under 14 years old)

	GUEST							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
<b>Starter</b>								
❖ Smiley Fruit Face	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
❖ Cream of Tomato Soup	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Main Course</b>								
❖ Sausage, Mash & Gravy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
❖ Margherita Pizza & Fries	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Dessert</b>								
❖ Warm Chocolate Brownie with Vanilla Ice-Cream	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
❖ Trio of Vanilla, Strawberry & Chocolate Ice-Cream	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



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## NORTH EAST REGIONAL MEETING

We held the North East Regional Meeting / Get Together in The White House, Whitby, on the afternoon of Saturday 13 October. We were able to have a area to ourselves again, it is a nice atmosphere with a sea view and overlooking the Golf Course. We all had bar meals, as the afternoon's chatting went on. Fourteen people attended including wives and friends, we still can't make twenty. Members were - Tony Gissing (Regional Officer), Jeff Duffy (Otterburn), Glenn Sear (Sheffield), NACS Chairman and Training Director, Bob Leonard, Steven Howard, Vice Chairman and Training Director, Ken Paterson (Regional Officer), Matt Ramsden (Regional Officer) and it was nice to see Rod and Marian Lewis (Retired) again. It was again a very enjoyable weekend. It was



a good turnout, and it was nice to have Kenny and Charlotte Paterson here once more, as it is a very long drive down for them, as some of us have found out for ourselves when we have been up to Kenny's meeting, a long journey they regularly make. The Staff at The White House don't forget us, they now get plenty of Fish in! We, as usual had no fixed Agenda, but lots of chimney chat for a couple hours, plenty of opportunity for members to discuss any problems etc and also listen to some funny stories. As usual some members with further to travel stayed one,

two or even three nights and made a weekend of it, including ourselves, starting Friday. Ourselves, Bob, Sarah, Kenny, Charlotte and Glenn had a nice meal out together on Friday night at Harrys, Matt and Karen met us later in the Resolution for a drink where we stayed for the rest of the evening. Thirteen of us had a very enjoyable evening in the Conservative Club on Saturday evening, where some first of all joined in the Bingo, we did have a few wins and a couple of raffle prizes in our corner! The evening soon passes when you are having fun, midnight before you know it! Carl Robinson was the musical entertainer again this year, he goes down very well. We had our usual private entertainment in between, Jeff and Ian or should we say the Otterburn Duo's jokes and stories. We also had some refreshments to help

keep us going. Finally several of them came up to our house for coffees and teas on Sunday morning, before setting off on their long trecks home. It makes a refreshing break at this busy time of year, we look forward to getting together again next year and thank all who attended this time and hope you enjoyed the afternoon and weekend as much as we did. We hope to see more of the local Members attending and we may make it to the magical twenty next year, that would be excellent! In the meantime we might meet some more of you at The NACS Chimney Works Trade Show and AGM next April.

**Anthony Gissing**  
(with a little help from Enid)  
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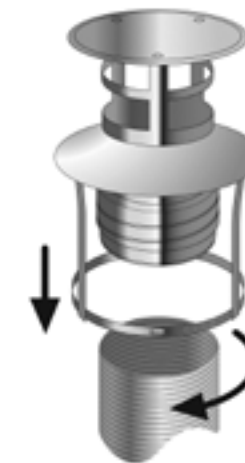


## NEW SCREW FIT TERMINAL

Following the successful release of the screw fit adaptors & terminals earlier this year Schiedel Rite-Vent has now developed a combined screw fit pot hanger and terminal.

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## LANDY VENT PRESENTATIONS AT THE NACS NATIONAL CHIMNEY TRAINING CENTRE

Julian Lloyd, Sales Manager with Landy Vent UK Ltd was at the re-opening of the NACS headquarters in June where he was fortunate enough to meet up with Steven Howard the NACS Vice Chairman.

This meeting led to discussions over the "On-Show" Eldfast ceramic flue lining they had in one of their display flues.

Since discussions took place this flue has now been brought up to date and promotional material

displayed explaining the key features and benefits of the Eldfast ceramic lining system.

An offer has also been put forward by Landy Vent to hold regular presentations at the NACS National Chimney Training Centre, in Stone, Staffordshire, and an initial date has been set for 3rd June 2013.

Please contact the NACS office for further details on Telephone number 01785 811732, or email [office@nacs.org.uk](mailto:office@nacs.org.uk)

## FLUECUBE NEWSFLASH

FlueCubeLLP has re-engineered the FlueCube chimney cowl to simplify installation.

Ashley Martin of FlueCube said "we talked to NACS professionals with expertise in adapting to the complexity of any job. However it was clear that if we could make the process easier by having everything they needed; then that's what we must do".

The FlueCube works by creating a vacuum (draw) on the firebox.

For this reason a good seal is required from the firebox to the FlueCube inlet. The construction consists of the three main components:

- Main Body
  - Tube Insert
  - Base Cone
- Secondary components:
- Outer Straps
  - Inner Straps – for use as a suspending cowl
  - Pot Rests

– These raise the Cube to let the chimney and pot breathe

Size Adapter: Metric – Imperial Adapter Sleeve. Plus all fasteners and Jubilee clips'

The FlueCube is designed to be compatible with, and comes with, standard hardware necessary for fitting to the three standard types of installations listed below:

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# HEARTH & HOME 2013

The 2013 Hearth & Home Exhibition will take place at Harrogate International Centre on 9th – 11th June 2013 and stand bookings are now being taken.

Now in its 17th year, Hearth & Home is the only dedicated trade show that brings together all the very latest appliances, surrounds, flueing products, accessories and related industry products under one roof.

Hearth & Home has consistently attracted in excess of 100 exhibitors in recent years and in 2012 organisers reported a 9% increase in visitor numbers on the previous year. Exhibition Director David Spencer commented: "Hearth & Home has become an established part of many of its regular exhibitor's marketing plans, with new manufacturers and distributors increasingly looking to



seize the opportunities offered."

Hearth & Home is the only UK show that offers the opportunity to see gas and solid fuel appliances on live burn. David added: "The exhibition is an excellent way to showcase new product ahead of the heating season and while the live burn element can make things a little warm in June, it certainly aids exhibitor sales.

Order books are consistently filled and sales targets routinely smashed at Hearth & Home."

Full details can be found at the exhibition website [www.hearthandhome.co.uk](http://www.hearthandhome.co.uk) and there is limited stand space still available for booking.

For more details or to make a booking contact David Spencer on 01789 415640.

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Chimney Cows Ltd, brand manufacturers of Colt Cows, has launched a stylish, innovative new catalogue featuring all its well known tried and tested products (market leading chimney terminals and a comprehensive twin wall flue system) alongside some important new product developments.

The 2013 catalogue with its instantly recognisable black and white cover has a new design format with improved graphics and a clean line that makes the products clearer and easier to understand.

After the success of the recent launch of the Rotorvent Ultralite, an extremely competitively priced high quality revolving chimney cowl which is the lowest in weight on the market, it was decided to upgrade it for use with smokeless fuel. Now all matt black, the Ultralite 2 can be used with all fuel types.

The new black finish reduces reflected light and, along with an improved specification of aluminium and a new cross brace to give it extra strength, it is a more versatile product all round.

In spite of these improvements the price has remained the same as is the case for all the rest of the products in the new Colt Cows + Flues catalogue.

Colt Cows have again managed to maintain a competitive position whilst still having the market leading top quality range of cowls and birdguards.

The second section of the catalogue features Twin Wall Flues (tested and certified to BSEN-1856-1:2009). Every section of this top selling HETAS approved Holetherm twin wall flue system is featured and listed along with prices, diagrams and photographs. More strongly highlighted lines of products in stock make it easier to read at a glance.

The 2012/13 Cows + Flues catalogue introduces the best quality offer available and all products in the Colt Cowl range come with the company's traditional money back guarantee and free next day delivery.

The Chimney Cowl range – Colt Cows – is available from Builders Merchants, fireplace centres and many hardware shops throughout the country. The Chimney Cowl + Flues catalogue can be obtained by calling 0870 241 1041 or visiting [www.coltcowls.com](http://www.coltcowls.com)

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### How did you get into the business?

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### 2. What do you know now that you wish you knew when you started out?

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years.

### 3. What do you like the most about the business?

Meeting different people and seeing different types of Chimneys, and also returning to the same customers for nearly 40 years – and drinking plenty of coffee!

### 4. And the least?

There is nothing I dislike about it, I enjoy getting up in the mornings and going out sweeping Chimneys.

### 5. What accomplishments are you most proud of?

I am proud that I am a Founder Member of the NACS and I keep in touch with everyone that is associated with it. I hope that I am respected by my colleagues and by my customers of 40 years.

### 6. Who or what is your major influence?

My wife; I could not have survived without her. She has supported me through

thick and thin and ups and downs within the business.

### 7. Do you have a 'tip of the trade' that you would like to share?

I feel that appearance and friendliness is important. When you knock on a customer's door you need to let them feel safe and comfortable with you when you are in their presence and in their home.

### 8. How do you like to relax after a long day/week/month?

Read the paper, and if the weather is good then I do the garden.

### 9. Tell us something about yourself that we probably wouldn't know?

I was a trawler man in the 60's and fished out of Iceland. I was in the Cod War and was on the Everton when we were fired on in Icelandic waters. I enjoyed it and only had to leave as my wife couldn't cope on her own with three children.

## EDITORIAL IN THE CHIMNEY JOURNAL MAGAZINE

The NACS publishes the Chimney Journal magazine twice a year, in June and December.

If you have any newsworthy information about your company or products then we would be more than happy to include it.

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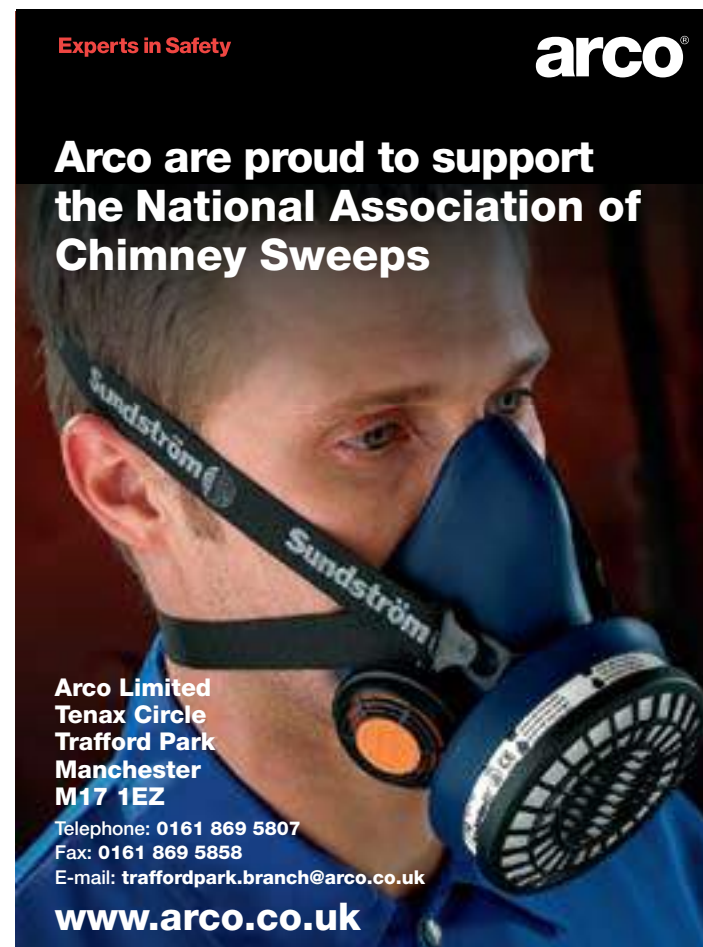
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After many months of planning, preparation and building work, the NACS officially opened its National Chimney Training Centre on 3rd July. The new facility was officially opened by NACS Honorary Life President Sandra Mitchell. Guests from across the industry were invited to join the celebrations at a champagne reception and luncheon at the new centre in Stone, Staffordshire. Training facilities include a number of purpose built chimneys with appliances, an assessment area,



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