



...MTT/news

We would like to firstly congratulate our Client on the successful planning consent for the Vauxhall Bondway scheme, which we were the Building Services Consultant. The design now affectionately known as the 'Jenga Tower' is displayed in the image on the right; you can see how it got the nickname! The Times and The London Evening Standard both published articles about the project this week, which can be found on their websites.

Below is just a quick update on some of the new schemes we have recently been instructed on:

- A new 100,000ft² office development in Surrey.
- A £23 million commercial office building of approximately 97,000ft².
- A new 320 bed student accommodation block in South West London.
- A refurbished building providing 21,100ft² of office accommodation.



...MTT/sustain

The BRE have now published a draft 2014 version of the BREEAM UK Refurbishment and Fit-out for consultation by the industry, following two years of piloting, consultation and development. MTT worked with the BRE on the development of the scheme, piloting it through their Savoy Place project for the IET.

The BRE believe that the benefits of the new scheme are its modular approach, with projects assessed against the issues that they can reasonably influence, and better accommodation of split tenant and landlord responsibilities when improving existing buildings. In addition, the new scheme is

integrated with BREEAM New Construction 2014, allowing the first fit-out of shell only and shell and core projects to gain 'fully fitted' certification under the New Construction 2014 scheme.

The consultation period ends on 29th August 2014, with the launch of the new scheme due in October, after which it will not be possible to register under BREEAM 2008. Please contact the BREEAM team at MTT for further details of the proposals and how these could affect your schemes.

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...MTT/growth

MTT are happy to welcome four new members to the team. We are strengthening the company further and growing at rapid speed! Greetings newcomers...



Edith Colomba – joined MTT as a Senior Sustainability Consultant and BREEAM Assessor. Edith is an architect specialised in sustainable construction.



Helene Lebon - joined MTT as a Sustainability Consultant, with a passion for energy efficient construction.



Nazir Mawjee - joined MTT as a Senior Mechanical Engineer, bringing his years of experience in multi-disciplinary design.



Warrick Gorrie - joined MTT as an Electrical Associate Director, the company will certainly benefit from his wealth of experience.





...MTT/our man Colin

We like to keep you updated on Colin Lyall's progress since he suffered a serious stroke in May 2013... We are pleased to report that Colin is doing very well and is still making progress with his speech. His conversational skills are improving all the time.

Aphasia is the medical name for the restricted communication condition he is suffering from. He regularly visits a drop-in centre for Aphasia sufferers, where they can get together and 'chat'. From his feedback he really enjoys his time there. His Son Clark tells us, 'he recently received a bus pass allowing him to move freely around Sussex at his own leisure. Even if there is a space in the car, he now prefers the Number 27.' In July he celebrated his 52nd birthday and 13th year at MTT with his family and friends, who treated him to a well-earned glass of champagne, or two.

This is very positive news and we are happy to share it with all of our readers. Colin is also supporting Connect Charity who help people living with Aphasia. You can donate to the charity through Colin's Just Giving page: <https://www.justgiving.com/Colin-Lyall/>. All donations will be much appreciated!

...MTT/charity

Paul will take to the Alps on 29th August, for the UTMB (Ultra Trail du Mont Blanc), starting in Chamonix. The mountain race consists of high altitude passages (>2500m) and difficult weather conditions (wind, cold, rain or snow). The race is 110 miles non-stop, and based on time-endurance.

The principle of the race is semi-self sufficiency. Ten posts will be supplied with drinks and/or food to be taken on site, but that is it.

Paul will climb over Bovine and Les Tseppes, then, with Aiguille Verte in front of him, under the vertical heights of the Drus and with majestic presence of Mont Blanc before him, he will dive down towards the finishing line in the heart of Chamonix. Sounds extremely challenging!

All the support that Paul has received to date has been donated to the children's charity Small Steps, and for the UTMB Paul is continuing to raise money for their charity. All donations can be made via www.justgiving.com/sandblasters. Also Keep checking in with our Twitter feed for updates, pictures and tracking! For more information about the UTMB please visit <http://www.ultratrailmb.com/>.

Good Luck Paul!

...MTT/events

Tour de France? We have our own cycling champions here at MTT! Rob Wilshere, Silviu Sidovici and Ellis Leake-Lyall took part in Squire and Partners Track Cycling Event on the 27th June 2014. They achieved some fantastic results:

Rob - Overall Winner from the Fastest Time, Team Pursuit and Scratch Race.

Silviu - 5th place in 200m.

Ellis - On the winning team for Team Pursuit.

Well done Guys! The few photos below show some of the action from the day!





...MTT/social

As you know at MTT we try to maintain a 'family' culture as we expand, and the rain wasn't going to stop us! The team disregarded the harsh weather conditions to challenge the 'Red Rockets' and their courageous moves... Setting out on the River Thames, we knew we were in for a bumpy ride... Check out a few snaps below.



...MTT/get to know the team

This month's interviewee: **Paul Mott**

Q. Describe yourself in three words...

'Black and White.'

Q. Who would you most like to meet and why?

'Duncan Bannatyne- I like his style and the way he works; he seems like my kind of bloke.'

Q. If you were a world leader, what would you change?

'I would ban wheelie suitcases... those small ones you trip over in the tube stations.'

Q. What is the most challenging part of your job?

'People... everyone is so different and understandably have differing requirements; finding a balance when running a business can be difficult at times.'

Q. What is the craziest thing you have ever done?

(very long pause)... 'Danced on stage at the Windmill International Club with 40 transvestites. The club was celebrating its 100th anniversary, what a night!'

Who's next? Get to know the lady who really runs

MTT, Emma Virrill our Office Manager.

...MTT/challenge

Have you got a competitive team to compete in a Baseball Battle??

If you've got what it takes please don't hesitate to email us with your interest at: amckenna@mtt-limited.com.

We look forward to hearing from you!

