

APPRENTICE OF THE YEAR AWARD**FINALIST: Euan Dolan**

Euan Dolan has successfully completed and passed his Level 3 Composites Technician apprenticeship at Teledyne CML Composites, gaining hands-on experience across production, Non-Destructive Testing (NDT) and laboratory operations. Through structured rotations, he developed a broad understanding of composite manufacturing, quickly adapting to different working environments while maintaining high standards of quality, safety and professionalism.

Euan has made particularly strong progress in NDT and laboratory activities and has been selected for specialist NDT Level 1 and Level 2 training, reflecting the confidence placed in his technical capability and future potential. Colleagues have noted his ability to quickly learn new processes and work towards gaining competency across a wide range of laboratory and NDT tasks.

A standout achievement has been Euan's self-led project to improve the health, safety and organisation of the router room. He identified opportunities to improve dust extraction and air quality, introduced cleaning routines, removed unused equipment and created a safer, more efficient working environment. The project is now nearing completion, with only final validation testing remaining, demonstrating his ability to take ownership of an improvement initiative through to delivery.

His colleagues consistently praise his work ethic, adaptability and independence, describing him as "extremely hard working" and someone who "carries out every job to the highest standard". He has also made significant personal progress, building confidence in presentations and leading small groups despite these previously being outside his comfort zone.

What sets Euan apart is his combination of technical progression, initiative, personal development and genuine commitment to adding value. He is reliable, hardworking and willing to challenge himself, while remaining a positive and supportive team member. His ability to turn learning into tangible improvements for the business makes him a strong candidate for Apprentice of the Year.

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