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Awards – AOC EW Lausanne Result

Awards - 2018 As noted last month, the UK Chapter has submitted 3 award nominations to AOC HQ. The BOD is pleased to announce that 2 of these have already been successful. The 3rd, competitive award winners, have yet to be announced by the AOC. The two UK Chapter award winners, agreed by the US Awards Committee are:

- John "Jacey" Wise MBE - AOC Distinguished Service Award, for outstanding support to the UK Chapter and wider AOC community during a career spent at the cutting edge of EW.
- Paul Bradbeer – AOC Outstanding Achievement Award, for outstanding services to operational services and innovative ways of managing and utilizing EW Data, enabling operational efficiencies and enhancing intelligence analysis.

Many congratulations to Jacey and Paul for their lifetime dedication to EW and the AOC. Thanks to industry for Paul's nomination – let's have more in future, please. The awards will be celebrated and presented at the Annual Christmas Awards Dinner on 14 December at the RAF Club – come along and join the Chapter for a great evening.

Stop Press At the AOC BOD meeting in DC in June, UK Chapter President John Clifford OBE, was awarded the AOC Board of Director's Award for his untiring contribution to the aims and objectives of the AOC. In particular he was recognised for raising the visibility of EW as an important discipline and for playing a major role in shaping its future. John was renowned as being one of the leading players in raising the profile of the AOC world-wide. This award is quite rare and has not been bestowed for the last 7 years. John said "I am very proud to receive the award and I am grateful to the many folks in EW who have contributed to the award and made it possible".

AOC EW Lausanne 2018 was held in the Congrès Beaulieu, Lausanne, 5 - 7 June 2018 and was a great success. Eight hundred delegates (slightly more than other non-London events) from over 45 nations attended AOC Lausanne from across the military, government, industry and academia including senior officers. The on-site survey indicated a 100% level of satisfaction with the conference and exhibition. In fact all of those who responded thought the event was good or better, with 60% stating that it was excellent across the board. Eighty exhibitors (up 18% on London 2017) participated and 60% of them booked an equivalent or bigger stand for the event for Stockholm in 2019. There were a lot of useful testimonials from conference delegates and exhibitors. Chris Howe MBE and Ian Fish staffed the AOC stand and recruited 24 new members. More details, including the full agenda which was outstanding and covered the entire AOC Mission Area, complete with speaker interviews can be found at: <https://www.eweuropa.com/> [View ALL of the speakers from EW Europe 2018](#)



Two photographs from the final Plenary Session Thursday Afternoon 7 June 2018

South Africa Chapter Member Request

An industry member of the South Africa (Aardvark) Chapter, Mr Ruart Crous, has contacted me seeking help with finding work in the UK or Europe.



Ruart is an electronic engineer with an Honours degree in Electronic Warfare. He is currently employed as an RF Design Engineer. Ruart and his family are keen to leave South Africa and emigrate to Europe, with the UK being his first choice. He is also prepared to take an engineering job in another field while he gets himself and his family settled here. If anyone can help him with a potential job offer or simply advice, please contact him at: Ruart@live.co.za and he will send his CV by return and establish contact.

Three Year Young Adult Complimentary Membership Scheme is a great initiative and one the UK Chapter has worked towards for many years – please think about it and use it wisely, for example let your HR, apprentice and training teams know about it. At least for the UK, the scheme appears to be working well with an **impressive 45 under-26 new members** signed up already. Well done to all concerned – keep up the good work! For more information please contact our outstanding membership director, Ian Fish: piscene1@gmail.com

Finally That’s all folks. I’ve listed a few dates below, where you might consider joining us and the wider AOC community in 2018. Feedback is always welcome; otherwise we operate in a vacuum. We need more diverse and young members to become actively involved in what the Chapter does – any ideas are most welcome. Please send ideas about recognising suitable individuals or organisations for AOC and/or UK Chapter awards. We are particularly keen to encourage apprentices in industry, academics and serving personnel to join the AOC as it brings many on-line benefits like webinars and courses and networking opportunities, monthly copies of JED, a reference library and more - all helpful when learning new EW or EM-related skills.



John Clifford OBE
UK Chapter President

SOME DATES FOR YOUR 2018/2019 DIARY

55th AOC Annual International Symposium Marriott Marquis DC, 27-29 November 2018

UK Chapter Christmas Awards Dinner – RAF Club Friday 14 December 2018

AOC EW Asia 2019 Marina Bay Sands Expo and Conference Centre **Singapore**, 29/30 January 2019

AOC EW Europe 2019 – Stockholmsmässan Exhibition and Conference Centre, **Stockholm**, Sweden, 13 – 15 May 2019; this is the 24th edition of EW Europe.

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Home Page “**EW Job Vacancies**” button.