

Heysham monthly report

September 2015

Introduction

Welcome to the September newsletter for Heysham 1 and 2 power stations, these reports are also available to all members of the public on www.edfenergy.com.

While we will do our best to always use plain English, talking about our business sometimes involves specific terminology, and you will find a glossary of any terms used at the end of each monthly report.

We are keen to hear the views of our local communities. We recognise that good communication is a two way process and we welcome your feedback and comments.

Safety

Heysham 1

- 1 lost time incidents
- 0 environmental incident
- 0 nuclear reportable incidents

Heysham 2

- 1 lost time incidents - a foot injury occurred when an individual descended from a short vertical ladder
- 1 environmental incident
- 0 nuclear reportable incidents

Station output

Heysham 1

Reactor 1 – on a planned shut down for refuelling and inspections on all boilers and deployment of cooling modifications following the identification of a defect found on one of the boiler spines

Reactor 2 – the reactor is safely and reliably running at a reduced load following a defect found on one of the boilers on reactor 1

Heysham 2

Reactor 7 – ran safely and reliably, reducing power at the end of the month to allow refuelling to take place.

Reactor 8 – ran safely and reliably, reducing power at the beginning of the month to allow refuelling to take place.

Site visits and community news

Heysham 1 gets colourful for local hospice



A team from Heysham 1 donned their overalls to help support local Lancaster based hospice St John's Hospice on Sunday (13 September).

The group of 16 manned the 'blue' station as part of the hospice's annual colour dash fun run. The station sponsored the blue colour station as part of its community support work.

Over 800 runners took part and were doused in paint powder as they ran the 5km race, all to raise money for charity. In theme with the station and EDF brand colours, the team chose to man the blue station and dressed in blue PPE to throw paint powder over each runner as they passed.

Heysham 1 & 2 support food bank collection



Staff from across Heysham 1 & 2 supported a food bank collection during September organised by Doosan Babcock.

Doosan Babcock are one of the stations' main contract partners and led the collection as part of their corporate social responsibility work. In total over £300 worth of food was purchased and 215kg of donated items were delivered to Morecambe Bay Food Bank.

Heysham site bakes cakes for Macmillan

On Tuesday 22 September Heysham 1 and 2 held two events on site to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support as part of their national coffee morning fundraiser.

Collectively the events held by the Training Team and Aramark (who run both stations' canteens) raised £380 through baking and selling cakes as part of a coffee morning.

Free eye tests for all Heysham 2 staff



To support National Eye Health Week, Occupational Health on Heysham 2 offered all EDF Energy employees and contract partners complimentary eye tests. The Occupational Health team carried out the tests and gave advice to individuals as to whether they needed to have a follow up appointment with an optician.

Heysham 2 collect clothes for Caribbean Island



In August 2015 a tropical storm caused devastation to the small Caribbean Island of Dominica, leaving many families with nothing. Workplace Solutions employee Harry Gregoire who was born on the island decided to take action and seek the help of his colleagues at Heysham 2.

Harry asked for any unwanted clothing staff may have, in particular blankets, adult and children's clothing to help those in need. Heysham 2 staff kindly donated a number of bags of clothing which is now being shipped out to Harry's homeland.

Visitor Centre

During August the visitor centre welcomed 521 visitors.

Since opening in late July 2013, the centre has now had over 14,089 people through its doors to learn about how electricity is made, with a large percentage also booking to go on a site tour.

Heysham power stations' new visitor centre is free and open to the public to visit from 10am to 4pm Monday to Friday and 10am to 2pm on Saturday.

The centre is located next to both Heysham power stations and visitors should follow signs from the A683 to Heysham Port and follow the signs to the stations and then the training centre. Anyone wishing to combine their visit with a tour of one of the power stations, should book in advance by emailing heyshamvisitorcentre@edf-energy.com or by calling 01524868451

Company news

EDF Energy welcomes its 100,000th visitors

EDF Energy celebrated the success of the visitor centres at its eight nuclear power stations as the 100,000th visitor stepped through the door of the centre at Dungeness B in Kent – just three years since the first one opened in August 2012.

Pupils from Greatstone Primary School and Marsh Academy accepted the honour together with Shaun Kirby, Head of Science at Marsh Academy who was officially recorded as 100,000th visitor.

The students were treated to Zingy cupcakes which they shared with EDF Energy's Chief Executive Vincent de Rivaz to mark the occasion.

New apprentices start four-year training scheme

The company has welcomed its latest intake of apprentices, when the group of 50 first years met for the first time on a team bonding week in the Lake District.

The apprentices tackled an array of outdoor activities, but also had a chance to meet up with their new colleagues before they started at HMS Sultan the company's training facility near Portsmouth.

After two years, the apprentices return to their base sites for the final part of the training programme. The search for the 2016 apprentices starts on November 2, with full details on the EDF Energy website.

Making science a serious option for teenage girls

A new programme by EDF Energy aims to change teenage girls' perceptions of science and inspire them to pursue science-based careers

Research commissioned by EDF Energy reveals that 32% of girls aged between 11 and 16 do not think they are clever enough to become a scientist and that boys are five times more likely than girls to want to be engineers, despite evidence that many girls enjoy science at school

EDF Energy is working with Liz Bonnin, Florence Adepoju, Jenny Griffiths and its own employees, to provide inspirational role models for young girls in the UK. A series of events will be taking place across the country to support the campaign



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