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Haven Top of the Charts

Haven has come top of the league at The Edrington Group's Supplier of the Year Awards. The Glasgow-based social firm was presented with the Supplier of the Year Award, in addition to a Gold Award for outstanding service, at a special ceremony held in Edinburgh Castle.

The annual awards ceremony recognises The Edrington Group's suppliers for their contribution to the success of the business. The process of selecting award winners involves measuring and ranking the performance of its key suppliers in the areas of product quality, delivery, reliability and flexibility.

Haven, which provides meaningful employment and training opportunities for disabled people, offers a wide range of high-quality, cost-effective solutions to companies which outsource elements of their production processes, including contract packing, component assembly, quality inspection, storage and distribution.

Matt Harley, Haven Business Manager, said, "Haven is delighted at receiving these prestigious awards. We were up against 19 other suppliers so to win the overall Supplier of the Year Award is a real testament to our highly-skilled and hard-working workforce."

For more information about Haven, contact Matt Harley on 0141 882 5752 / matt.harley@havenproducts.co.uk.

Momentum Care Expands Let's Go Service

Momentum Care's Let's Go service, established in 2001 to provide an alternative to centre-based respite services for people with learning disabilities in Glasgow, is expanding its model UK-wide and to even more people.

Let's Go will now be offered in new areas including Aberdeen, Buckie, Ayrshire, East Kilbride, Coventry and Blyth, where Momentum Care already delivers other social care services such as care at home, housing support and domiciliary care.

Let's Go offers a flexible and personalised respite service, matching individuals with experienced support workers who support them to take part in a range of activities

and social events, including swimming, bowling, music lessons and outdoor pursuits, as well as going on day trips and short breaks.

Momentum Care offers a range of personalised, flexible support packages to assist people to live independently in their own homes, take part in activities and have more control over their daily lives.

For further information about Let's Go, contact Susan O'Reilly on 0141 419 5299 / soreilly@momentumcare.org.uk.

Momentum Skills is "Squids-in" with Designer T-shirt

A design by Levellers' Jeremy Cunningham is helping to raise vital funds for Momentum Skills' brain injury vocational rehabilitation programme in Aberdeen.

The brainchild of Judi Mitchell, owner of Ink Minx Tattoo Studio in Montrose, the Momentum Skills designer T-shirt "Squid Man" is the result of a chance encounter of Judi and the Levellers' bass guitarist Jeremy Cunningham.

Judi explained, "As it's the tenth anniversary of my studio Ink Minx Tattoos, we decided to put together some merchandise to sell at the Scottish Tattoo Convention to raise money for various charities.

"I met Jeremy Cunningham, the bass guitarist of the Levellers, last year at their festival in Devon. Jeremy does the majority of artwork for the band and he mentioned that he wanted a squid tattoo. I jokingly said that I'd do his tattoo, if he did a doodle for my charity T-shirts and bags. He kept his part of the deal and sent me a sketch of Squid Man!

"I've done a lot of fundraising for charities and decided to turn my attention to Momentum after my brother had an accident which resulted in a brain injury. I realised how quickly life can change with an accident like this and it can happen to anyone. My brother was lucky to recover to the extent that he has and, with the help of Momentum, he has learnt to cope with everyday life and learnt new skills. Although he will not be able to return to the heavy work he did before, he will be able to get back to a different type of work with Momentum Skills' help."

Jeremy Cunningham's squid man T-shirts are available from Ink Minx Tattoos for £12 plus P&P. Tote bags are also available featuring the design. To order, call 01674 678989 or email inkminxtattoos@hotmail.co.uk. All proceeds go to Momentum Skills in Aberdeen.

In Aberdeen, Momentum Skills' brain injury vocational rehabilitation programme offers specialist training and support to adults who have sustained a brain injury, helping them to rebuild their lives and to gain employment or move onto further education and training.

For further information about Momentum Skills' vocational rehabilitation service in Aberdeen, contact George Robertson on 01224 625 580 / george.robertson@momentumscotland.org.

About Momentum

Momentum is a leading not-for-profit organisation providing rehabilitation, training and care services for disabled and socially-excluded people throughout the UK. Momentum comprises Momentum Skills, Momentum Care and Haven.

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