## SPRINT TOOL AND DIE NEW STARTER AWARDED "APPRENTICE OF THE YEAR"

On Friday evening, at the In-comm Training Services Awards Evening, held at Grand Station, Wolverhampton, our Apprentice, Jack Smith, was awarded "Group manufacturers Award for Apprentice of the Year – In-comm Academy Intermediate Engineering and Manufacturing technologies". In additon, he was recognised, by the Rotary Club, as the "Most Improved Learner of the Year".



Jack has been with Sprint Tool and Die since November 2015 and has applied himself to the role of Apprentice within our toolroom at Stafford Park, Telford. He attends the In-comm Training establishment, in Shrewsbury, whereby he receives a traditional hands-on apprentice training, as well as consolidating his learning within the company. Despite starting the training year a couple of months late, he has caught up and was also awarded "Most Improved Learner of the Year". Ian Amos, managing director, is very proud of Jack's achievements and praised his approach to work and his colleagues. "He is a young gentleman and well deserves the accolade. We are very pleased to have Jack in our award winning team and look forward to building on this success."

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Amos, who aspired to create a business catering to the niche market he identified – to produce high quality affordable plastic injection mould tools delivered on time. The result was Sprint Tool and Die, which has gone from strength to strength, being awarded Toolmaker of the Year 2013 and 2014.

The preferred supplier of choice for high-end moulding companies requiring British tooling provides an excellent turnkey service producing intricate tools, prototyping & pre-hardened tools, insert mould tools, overmoulded tools, twin shot tooling and unscrewing tools. Facilities are also available for tool trials (for verification purposes), and online project management can also be offered if required; a system which enables customers to track the progress of their projects.

"Here at Sprint Tool and Die we manufacture and service tools for all types of industries, including caps and closures, medical and automotive industries", Ian detailed.

"We develop everything in-house and are particularly proud of the quality of our tools, which are also reasonably priced. It's this level of excellency – alongside our determination to provide great customer service – which really sets us apart from our competitors."

The well-established toolmaking company is now one of the UK's most respected. As well as having national coverage, it is ISO 9001 accredited, holds membership under the UKTA and has been awarded World Class Toolmaker status by the GTMA. In addition, the team have also scooped a number of coveted industry-specific awards, such as the Plastic Industry Awards Supplier Partnership Toolmaker of the Year 2013, which was presented for its close working relationship with a leading UK OEM, a liaison overseeing the development of a concept designed to drastically reduced wastage and speed up cycle times. A year later they were selected as the winner again for their project devised to combat the problem of delicate components becoming damaged.

"Our award-winning status has enabled us to enjoy an international reputation in the industry," concluded Ian. "Serving customers all over the UK and globally meant it was necessary for us to upsize, hence our recent relocation to a bigger property in Telford, adjacent to the motorway. The move allows us to invest in new machinery, expanding our CNC milling facility and recruiting more personnel (including our own in-house design manager) to more efficiently respond to our growing order book."

Our involvement with the PDM exhibition has gone hand in hand with our expansion within Telford. We will again be exhibiting at PDM 2016. Our design staff will be available to discuss potential projects with new visitors and look forward to the opportunity to showcase some of our expertise as Telford's precision toolmakers supplying high quality British tooling.

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