

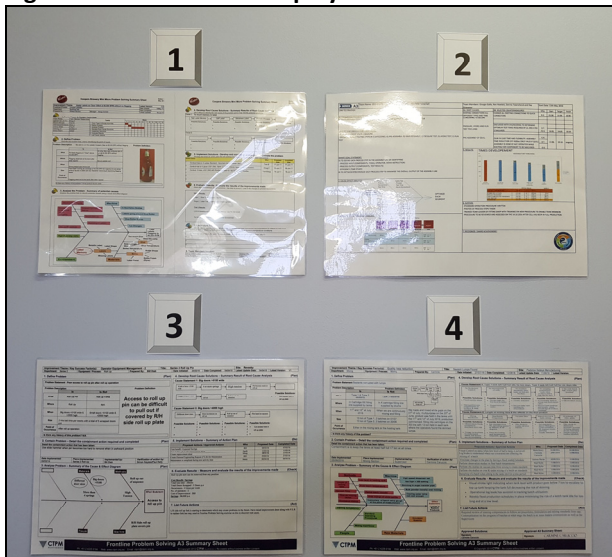
## Competition bringing A3 Summary Sheets to Life

The **Continuous Improvement Forum 2016**, held at Bankstown Sports Club Conference Centre, Sydney on 17 – 18 August was focused on *Engaging all your people to ensure Sustainable Results*. The conference featured many inspirational thought leaders and practitioners' sharing their learning's and experiences on leading Continuous Improvement nationally and internationally.

Much of the hype at the Forum this year was centred on the **Problem Solving / Root Cause Analysis A3 Summary Sheet Competition** fiercely contested between four submissions from:

1. Coopers Brewery – Regency Park SA
2. PSG Ebsray Pumps – Cromer NSW
3. B&D Doors & Openers – Revesby NSW
4. Selleys – Padstow NSW

**Figure 1: Submissions displayed at CI Forum**



In recognition of their great efforts, each site chose their best Problem Solving / Root Cause Analysis A3 Summary Sheet and submitted it to CTPM before the CI Forum to be part of the competition at the event.

The competition, open to all sites progressing Continuous Improvement, was introduced this

year to help promote the sharing of problem solving learning throughout the CI community. With \$750 worth of safety equipment vouchers donated from sponsors BRADY Australia, this was a great opportunity for some 'reward & recognition'.

The judging of the submissions took place on the first day of the CI Forum, in which a panel of two experienced CI professionals scored each submitted A3 Summary Sheet. Each judge was given a scoring guideline with strict criteria on what makes up a high quality A3 Summary Sheet.

**Figure 2: Awarding the Judges Choice Winner**



**L to R:** John Ascoli – National Business Development Manager at BRADY, and Sam Saliba – National Operations Manager at B&D Doors & Openers

Apart from a judges winning entry, delegates at the Forum also had the chance to vote for what they believed to be the best A3 Summary Sheet.

**Figure 3: Awarding the People's Choice Winner**



**L to R:** Carmine Caruccio – CI Manager at Selleys, and John Ascoli – National Business Development Manager at BRADY

The winning entry for both awards were announced at the Gala Dinner on Day 1 of the CI Forum, where attendees of the dinner celebrated 20 years of CTPM assisting companies to achieve Operational Excellence.

CTPM would like to congratulate ***B&D Doors & Openers at Revesby for their winning submission as awarded by the judges*** providing them with a \$500 safety equipment voucher from BRADY Australia. We also would like to congratulate ***Selleys at Padstow for their winning submission as awarded by the people*** providing them with a \$250 safety equipment voucher from BRADY Australia. Happy spending to both!

The competition showcased the high calibre of Problem Solving / Root Cause Analysis A3 Summary Sheets currently in workplaces throughout Australia. We thank John Ascoli from BRADY Australia for organising sponsorship of the competition, and we hope that the competition stays on at CI Forums for many years to come!

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