

## B&D Teams making their mark at the Aussie Cup

Motivated from winning the Aussie Cup at last year's Forum, B&D Doors & Openers site in Revesby NSW has once again gained the chance to be part of the Aussie Cup Team Competition and this time they have their counterparts at Clontarf QLD to compete against.

Figure 1: 2013 Aussie Cup Team winners from Revesby



The **Aussie Cup Team Competition** has been an essential part of CTPM's annual TPM & Lean Forum since 1998 and has provided an ideal opportunity for companies to showcase their improvement activities.

Involvement in the competition recognises the:

- Involvement of teams in improving their company's performance;
- Involvement of individuals in working to improve performance; and
- The progress a company has made in involving people in improvement activity.

By being involved in the competition, teams demonstrate the contribution that they have made to their organisation and their own personal development. It also provides companies with the opportunity to benchmark their own improvement processes against those of others.

To be able to present at the TPM & Lean Forum each team must submit documentation of their team activities with only the top teams being selected. Based on the submissions received, 5 finalists have been selected to present at this

year's Forum. The Forum is being held on the 20 & 21 August at the Novotel Northbeach Wollongong. The 5 finalist teams consist of:

1. **New Zealand Sugar's** (Birkenhead NZ) RACK "N" STACK – Cross-functional Micro New Area Management Team;
2. **ALMC's** (Lytton QLD) 'The Wrappers' – Cross-functional Mini Micro New Product Management Team;
3. **B&D Doors & Openers** (Revesby NSW) 'Series 2' – Area Based Operator Equipment Management Team;
4. **AstraZeneca's** (North Ryde NSW) 'Reject Vampires' – Cross-functional Micro Focused Equipment & Process Improvement Team; and
5. **B&D Doors & Openers** (Clontarf QLD) 'Cyclone Beaters' – Cross-functional Micro Focused Equipment & Process Improvement Team.

The battle looms large with 3 new sites yet to take part in the Aussie Cup, up against 2 sites that have previously entered and won.

When the 'winner envelop' is opened at the Forum Celebration Dinner, whatever the outcome, all teams deserve a great applause for the effort they have put in and achievements they have gained. In some perspective the reward has already been received.

As a delegate at one of CTPM's past forums put into words:

*"The Team presentations demonstrate the intrinsic personal rewards that the TPM process engenders as a by-product of the involvement in the wide ranging tasks taken on by the diverse teams. All team members were engaged, involved and obviously very proud of their efforts and this can only be a benefit to each of their companies and the other members / workmates that they react with" – Team Leader from food industry*

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