Access 1 Security Systems winner of the Hanssen Project Management 'Spirit of Australia' In 22nd Belmont Small Business Awards

Access 1 Security Systems was one of many Western Australian small businesses awarded in the 22nd Belmont Small Business Awards on the 22nd of October 2015. The winners were showcased at the 'Night of Stars Event' in the ballroom of the Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre.

The awards provide a fantastic opportunity for small and growing enterprises from Belmont and across Western Australia to be recognised for their achievements.

To start proceedings, a Welcome to Country was given by Ingrid Cumming from Kart Koort Wiern. Chair of the Belmont Business Enterprise Centre, Jules Lewin gave the official welcome, and then WA State Manager, Dianne May, from the Department of Industry delivered a message on behalf of The Hon Kelly O'Dwyer, Minister Small Business and Assistant Treasurer. The Mayor of the City of Belmont, Cr Phil Marks also gave an update on business in Belmont. MC's for the evening were Past Chair of Belmont BEC Tim Hammond and TCF WA Vice Chair Jasmyn Mumme. Attendees on the night enjoyed a WA Designer Showcase which was supported by Silverstar Designs (designer Margaret Sylvester), Ava (designer Petra Vanessie and Holly Barker Millinery), Breathless (designer Helen Rimpas), and Arcaro Couture (designer Angelina Arcaro). Thank you to all models and Danique De Kat from the Metro Modelling and Dance Academy in Cockburn.

Winner of the 'Spirit of Australia Award' was Access 1 Security Systems. Access 1 Security Systems are specialists in electronic security consulting, supply & installation firms. Andrew Herrmann started his first business at 19 years of age, and his first security business at 24. Within two years he had 50 employees and 6 patrol cars on the road. However the business hit hard times and he had to start again from scratch. He then went on to start and successfully grow a range of other businesses, but then the GFC hit, and once again Andrew faced hard times. Throughout all the challenges he has faced personally and in business he has continued to learn about business and sought help from mentors. Andrew has now successfully opened an office in Myanmar, and his Perth business continues to thrive.

Gerry Hanssen, Managing Director of Hanssen Project Management said, "Hanssen Project Management specialise in the construction of high-rise residential and commercial apartments in Perth and the North West. We believe in the community and providing opportunities for every person to reach their full potential. Hanssen is proud to sponsor the Spirit of Australia Award and congratulate Access 1 Security Systems."

For further details on all winners of the 22nd Belmont Small Business Awards 2015 visit www.belmontbec.com/awards

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