



# Future Leaders of the industry

THE LATEST FUTURE LEADER PRESENTATION WAS MADE TO HENRY PROM AT PARRAMATTA SMASH REPAIRS IN SYDNEY.

Troy Johns, Industry Development Manager for IAG, was the MC for the occasion, which was attended by representatives of IAG Insurance, I-CAR Australia, Parramatta Smash Repairs, PPG Industries and the National Collision Repairer. Henry recently completed his apprenticeship at Parramatta Smash Repairs with a Certificate 3 in Light Vehicle Mechanics and undertook additional studies in the evening to attain a second Certificate 3 in Auto Electrical.

Troy spoke about the industry, with a focus on the accelerating rate of technological change and, by way

of example, referred to a recent report that showed that the average high-end vehicle today has more than 100 million lines of code, whereas the Boeing 787 Dreamliner has approximately 12 million lines of code. This “technological tsunami” in the automotive industry highlighted the importance of ongoing training and development and he congratulated the owners of Parramatta Smash Repairs for providing Henry the opportunity to meet these challenges and continue to provide the highest level of service to its customers.

Steve Fitzpatrick, Executive General Manager, Short Tail Claims at IAG, said it was great to see a second winner of the National Collision Repairer Future Leaders Award from Parramatta Smash Repairs. Steve said that IAG was extremely proud to have two outstanding technicians employed by Parramatta Smash Repairs join the past winners of the program that recognises the achievements of our industry’s Future Leaders. In addition, IAG was also proud to have Parramatta Smash Repairs as one of their Partner Repairer Network repairers and congratulated Cec, Steve and Ryan Simpson on the outstanding repair facility, which provides excellent service to IAG customers and for providing the support and time to train Henry to develop his skills.

Mark Czvitkovits, CEO I-CAR Australia, also congratulated Henry



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and reinforced I-CAR’s commitment to the training and development of young talent across the industry. Henry’s capacity to embrace the technology augurs well for the future.

Ryan Simpson, Operations Manager, Parramatta Smash Repairs, said: “We are all very proud of what Henry has achieved. He has become a bit of an ambassador for us as he assists us with trade nights and school events to showcase what the industry has to offer the young people of today.”

Steve Fitzpatrick presented Henry with his Future Leader of the Industry National Collision Repairer certificate sponsored by IAG and the I-CAR training course invitations. He pointed out that with young talent such as Henry coming through the ranks, the industry will be in good hands.

In receiving his award, Henry said: “I can’t thank Parramatta Smash Repairs enough for the opportunity. It is a great working environment with a great team culture and it gives me the opportunity to embrace my passion for both technology and cars.”

**Editor: IAG’s ongoing support and sponsorship of these awards is greatly appreciated. We wish Henry every success in the future.**



Steve Fitzpatrick, Henry Prom and Troy Johns



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