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Master Builders Recognise Outstanding Geelong Apprentices

Future leaders of the Geelong area's building industry have been recognised at the Master Builders Apprentice of the Year Awards at Skilled Stadium last night, with the two joint winners to compete in the state-wide Victorian Apprentice of the Year Awards in May.

The Geelong Section Apprentice of the Year Awards saw the following apprentices recognised for major awards:

- Geelong Apprentice of the Year – Peter Hughes (of Fairhaven); and
- Employer Nominated Apprentice of the Year – Nathan Peoples (of Corio).

Master Builders Careers Pathways Officer, Jarrod Flanigan, said the apprentices demonstrated diligence, determination and attention to detail.

“The Geelong Section Apprentice of the Year must be nominated by an employer or a Registered Training Organisation (RTO) and then work through a lengthy selection process,” he said.

“The Employer Nominated Apprentice of the Year is selected from a pool of apprentices nominated by local members of the Master Builders Association.

“These two are then shortlisted for the State Award.

“Several criteria are considered by the judges. Winners must be safety minded and demonstrate an interest in further studies as part of continuous career development.

“Importantly, judges are looking for exemplary apprentices who can send the right messages to new and future apprentices about what can be achieved by completing a trade.

“Well done to the winners and I wish them all the best for their future careers in building,” said Mr Flanigan.

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