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**POINT PROJECT MANAGEMENT WINS 5 AWARDS
AT THE
2011 AIPM ACT PROJECT MANAGEMENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS
INCLUDING THE COVETED
PROJECT OF THE YEAR AWARD**

Point Project Management (Point) is pleased to announce that on Friday 26 August at the ACT Chapter of the Australian Institute of Project Management (AIPM) awards ceremony, convened at the Canberra Club, the Qantas Operations New Canberra Airport Project has been announced the AIPM ACT Project of the Year 2011.

AIPM ACT Project of the Year 2011 – Qantas Operations New Canberra Airport Project

In early 2009 Point was engaged by Qantas to project manage the Qantas Operations New Canberra Airport Project. Point was responsible for the planning, delivery and transition of Qantas operations, facilities and infrastructure which culminated in a single night transition of operations. The project was highly successful, delivered without incident, within budget and on schedule.

Principal, Brendan Bilston, was delighted with the award but emphasised that it was the efforts of many that made this project a success. Brendan stated "Point is delighted to receive this outstanding award on behalf of all that were involved with the project. I pay particular attention to the outstanding team at Qantas, the design and management team at Canberra Airport Group, the Head Contractor for the works Construction Control and all of the trade and technical contractors that collaborated to make the project happen".

Point was also recognised with the following individual project category awards:

- **Construction / Engineering Project <\$100m – Qantas Operations, New Canberra Airport Project**

Project Manager Aaron Wigley was quoted as saying "It was a really great project to be involved in, working with Qantas and specifically on the development of the iconic and highly anticipated new Canberra Airport Terminal. The success of the project is a result of a truly collaborative project team involving Qantas, a very dynamic consultant team and our construction management team".

- **Small Project – Treasury Child Care Project**

In April 2010 Point was engaged by The Department of the Treasury to project manage the expansion of the existing childcare facility located within the Treasury Building. Point invigorated the project team to effectively overcome the many challenges that arose throughout the project, achieving a high-end childcare facility. These challenges were predominantly due to building envelope constraints and the cultural heritage sensitivity associated with such a significant Commonwealth building located with the Parliamentary Triangle.

Project Manager for the project, Carl Sueli, was extremely proud for Point to have received this award. Carl was quoted as saying “In addition to exceeding our Client’s (The Department of the Treasury) expectations, the standout achievement for this project was the receipt of overwhelming satisfaction from the childcare facility operator, the parents and of course the children, with regards to the finished product”.

Canberra Principal Chris Collins stated “we are extremely proud of Carl and the team for their efforts on this project among all the base building and heritage challenges. The project was extremely successful with meeting time constraints, engaging with the key stakeholders including the child care manager and the kids, achieving the regulatory standards and overcoming the challenges of relocating base building services.”

Point was also fortunate to have two staff recognised in individual categories:

- **Project Manager of the Year – Brendan Bilston**

Brendan Bilston, one of the Joint Managing Directors of Point, was recognised for his contributions as the Lead Project Manager on the Qantas Operations New Canberra Airport Project. Brendan led a team including Aaron Wigley and Emily Nguyen of Point and credits this achievement to his very professional team.

Michael Snare stated “It’s great to see Brendan’s achievements in the Project Management domain recognised, in particular on this very complicated airport infrastructure project. Point is committed to its ongoing relationship with Qantas as well as growing its involvement with the delivery of Aviation Infrastructure in Australia and the extended region”.

- **Project Team Member of the Year – Chris McLaughlan**

During 2009 and 2010 Chris McLaughlan was appointed as Assistant Project Manager for the Belconnen Labor Club Upgrade Project. The Project undertook to provide a major extension to the building and a refresh to the internal and external aesthetics of the building as a whole. As recognition of his outstanding achievement in this Project, the ACT Chapter of the AIPM has awarded Chris the accolade ‘Project Team Member of the Year’ for 2011.

Chris was most humbled by the recognition and was quoted as saying “I thank the AIPM for recognition of my work on this exciting Project. I would stress that a successful Project is the result of committed and positive input from all parties and this was certainly the case with the Belconnen Labor Club Upgrade. I would like to thank my client, Arthur Roufogalis and the whole Labor Club team who provided the basis for a fantastic working culture within the project team. A special thanks also goes to my Principal and Project Director, Mark Blake who had the belief in me and provided me with a broad responsibility through which I gained this invaluable experience.”

Canberra Principal Mark Blake stated “This is a truly deserved accolade for Chris. He put his heart and soul into achieving a successful outcome for this project, gaining valuable experience along the way. I too would like to recognise Arthur and his management team for promoting a very positive and collaborative project environment.”

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