



The Italian Job in Dreiländer Ecke

Byzak are continuing to provide tunnelling plant services to an Italian contractor for the construction of a new gas pipeline near Tarvisio in the Italian Alps.

The project provides a new line to increase the transport capacity for gas imported from Russia. The pipeline starts in the border region with Austria and Slovenia; known as "Dreiländer Ecke", and continues for nearly 20km through forests and alpine areas. Some lengths require tunnels for particularly difficult terrain.

Byzak has supplied its upsized Herrenknecht AVN 2000D tunnel boring machine (TBM) for a 1200 metre long 2.5m dia pipejack tunnel constructed at a 1 in 8 gradient.

Byzak's specialist operating team has included Denzil Davison (pictured below), Mark Henderson, Kevin House, Andrew Wilkie, John Grace and Ged Glen.



Coast 2 Coast

Last summer ten members of Byzak's North East M&E team set out on a 3 day 132 mile long sponsored cycle ride, Coast 2 Coast (Whitehaven to Sunderland) dedicated to Tamsen Minto, a work colleague at Entec UK who passed away suddenly last year. Congratulations to the team on raising a grand total of £3,058, which was split between Cancer Research UK and St Oswald's Hospice.



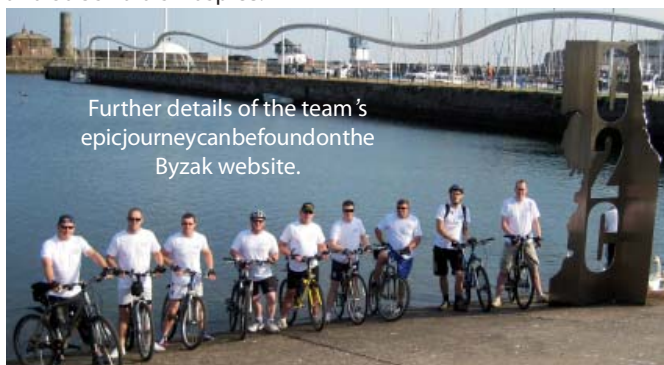
Update - United Utilities Framework

The Minor Works Alliance Framework with United Utilities continues to develop.

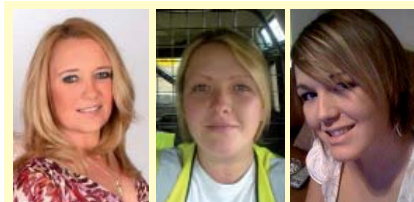
The first completed project (£200k) was construction of debris barriers to protect the spillways at Horwich and Yarrow reservoirs - part of the Rivington system near Bolton.

Other projects include:

- Conversion of ejector pumping stations at Galloper Park (£100k) and Kirkoswald (£115k), both near Penrith
- H&S improvements associated with Fire Risk assessments at water treatment works (£100k)
- Barrow WwTW Odour Control Works (£730k) - installation of carbon filter and ionisation tank.



Further details of the team's epic journey can be found on the Byzak website.



New Faces

Recent recruits, from left to right: Michelle Ryle, Business Development Manager; Laura Bowman, Site Engineer; Katie Cook, Quantity Surveyor.

