

# Wax Matters

## 62 Years of Blayson

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On 21<sup>st</sup> September 2023, Blayson marks its 62<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of trading.

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## Tribute to Jim Wilson

It was with great sadness that we learnt that one of the Blayson team members, Jim Wilson, passed away on 8<sup>th</sup> August 2023. The company sends our sincere condolences to Jim's family and close friends.

His funeral was held on 30<sup>th</sup> August 2023 at the Cambridge City Crematorium. The Blayson Cambridge facility was closed on the day as a mark of respect to Jim and to allow his numerous Blayson colleagues / friends to attend.



James Wilson

6th August 1975 - 8th August 2023

Jim worked for Blayson for almost 25 years in the wax production area and in his supervisory position he ensured production targets were met. Jim was also always keen to assist with any additional projects, especially with the redevelopment of the Cambridge site – he regarded it as his own. Jim will be sadly missed by all.

## Blayson Long Service



Earlier this year, Keith Batchelor, Operations Director, completed 35 years' service with the company.

Ron Williams, Chairman of The Blayson Group Ltd, thanked and congratulated Keith on this milestone achievement.

## 2023 ICI Technical Conference & Expo – Pittsburgh, USA



Sho Ishida, President of Blayson Japan, represented The Blayson Group at the ICI Pittsburgh Conference in August 2023. Sho commented that it was good to attend a conference after the many restrictions of the past few years.

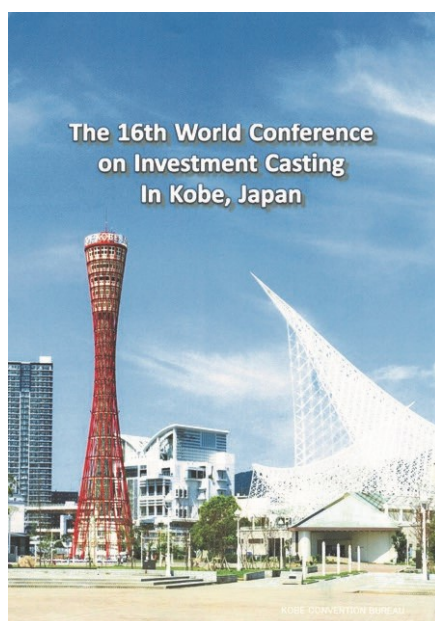


## Update - Raw Material and Energy Costs

Gavin Williams, CEO of The Blayson Group Ltd, noted that raw materials still remain at high cost levels, but there is an encouraging sign that they are beginning to stabilise. Also the positive trend is that there appears to be in most cases very few supply issues. Energy costs have stabilised, but they do remain at historically high levels. Blayson will continue to update customers as the situation develops.

## Blayson Japan News

Blayson Japan's President, Sho Ishida, is a member of the JFS organising committee, who are busy preparing for the World Conference which will be held in Kobe, Japan in 2025. Sho reports good progress is being made and further information, including dates, will of course be published in due course.



## Possible Addition to Blayson Product Line

Blayson is looking at the possibility of representing 3M for the supply of specialist high-temperature ceramic tapes to the Investment Casting industry. These tapes can be used to support ceramic shells, before or after dewax. We regard this as an exciting addition to our product line and hope to share further information on our website and in a future edition of Wax Matters.

## ISO 9001 Audit Pass



In July 2023 an onsite ISO 9001:2015 maintenance Audit was carried out at Blayson by Bureau Veritas. We can report, all policy procedures were found to be satisfactory and compliant, with no NCR, or minor observations, reported. Our next review is scheduled for July 2024. At Blayson, we are committed to improving the overall quality of all our services and products we offer to our customers.

## Future Events

**EICF 32<sup>nd</sup> International Conference 2024**  
Naples, Italy  
12-15 May 2024

**ICI 71<sup>st</sup> Technical Conference & Exhibition 2024**  
Milwaukee, USA  
20-23 October 2024

**16<sup>th</sup> WCIC Technical Conference & Expo 2025**  
Kobe, Japan  
9-12 September 2025