

2025 NISG Quiz Report

The **2025 NISG Quiz** was held on Thursday night to another full house at Ulster University - Belfast Campus.

Winners of the Previous Entrant Category – Lagan MEICA.



Front Row – Adam Thompson; Patrick McLaughlin, Steven Beattie and Rian Fullerton.

Back Row – Dr. Bryan Monson, Deputy Chief Executive, HSENI; Wendy Moore, NISG Chair and Quiz Sponsor Bill McAllister, Safety Advice Centre.

Winners of the Novice Category – Hyster Yale Team 1.



Front Row – Sheila Cybulski, Luke Toman, Darren Johnston and Linda Glass.

Back Row – Dr. Bryan Monson, Deputy Chief Executive, HSENI; Wendy Moore, NISG Chair and Quiz Sponsor Bill McAllister, Safety Advice Centre.

With sponsorship from **Safety Advice Centre** and **Ulster University**, the 14 teams completed 8 rounds in the "pub quiz" style event. The rounds were mainly health and safety related, with a few general knowledge questions thrown in for good measure. H&S professionals and anyone in a full-time H&S role are not eligible to sit on a team, with the aim being to encourage all employees to take ownership of health and safety at work. This year's quiz ended up with tie breakers for the top spots in both the Novice and Previous Entrants categories.

In opening the event, Dr. Bryan Monson, Deputy Chief Inspector from HSENI, addressed the room and thanked everyone for attending, wishing them good luck for the competition.

Special thanks, as always, goes to Alan Burch, Safety Advice Centre, for undertaking the role of Quizmaster – this is his 20th annual quiz, excluding 2021 when the event could not take place due to Covid. He ensured the rules were followed and kept the quiz to time during the evening. Thanks also go to Alexander Huston and the team from Compass at Ulster University, who prepared and served the delicious hot buffet supper after the quiz.

The winning teams will travel to Mullingar to on Saturday 17th May 2025 to compete in the NISO / NISG All-Ireland Occupational Health & Safety Quiz Finals. We wish the best of luck to our Northern Ireland delegation.



The Quiz Room.

The “Top 3” Results Board:

Position	Novice	Previous Entrants
1st	Hyster Yale – Team A	Lagan MEICA
2 nd	PWS Signs	Hyster Yale – Team B
3rd	UU – Technical Team	UU – Students Union



Sponsors Photo L-R: Mark Latuske - Ulster University; Wendy Moore – NISG Chair and Bill McAllister – Safety Advice Centre.



Quizmaster Alan Burch – Safety Advice Centre.

Quiz Ballot

This year's charity for the raffle was selected as Parkinson's UK, and with 9 local support groups in the province, the organisation provides friendship, support and accessible local resources that those with Parkinson's need to live well with the condition. Emma McNeill, Community Fundraiser for Parkinson's UK, attended the event and gave details of the vital work undertaken by the charity to those in the room. Every year another 1,500 people will be diagnosed with Parkinson's across the UK and around 4,200 people currently have a diagnosis of Parkinson's locally in Northern Ireland. Parkinson's can affect people of any age.

The charity provides self-management courses online to help people with Parkinson's, and their carers, to increase resilience and knowledge about the challenges that the illness brings. They also work with the 5 local Health Trusts to educate and train health and care professionals, to improve the level of care they can offer.

An amazing amount of £880 was collected on the night and NISG Executive Committee Member Jim Donnelly, from JMD Training, pledged to make this up to a round total of £1000. All of the money collected will be used to further the charity's activities within Northern Ireland. A formal presentation of the funds raised will be made at an NISG Group Meeting in the coming months.



L-R: Bill McAllister – Safety Advice Centre; Wendy Moore – NISG Chair; Heather McKinstry – NISG Vice President; Fergal McKeivitt – NISO President and Emma McNeill – Parkinson's Northern Ireland Community Fundraiser.



Maire Donnelly, JMD Training, with the Easter Hamper donated for the ballot.

Thanks goes to the following organisations who donated prizes for the ballot:

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| W&H Alexander | JMD Training | Hyster-Yale | Translink |
| Lagan MEICA | Bushmills Distillery | Ulster University | Lakeland Dairies |
| Phoenix Energy | Kier | Arco | McAdam Design |
| Carson McDowell | Lagan Aviation & Infrastructure | | PWS Signs |



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