Apprentice passes with flying colours

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A HUNTLY apprentice was among a group of students from North East Scotland College who recently celebrated the completion of their modern apprenticeship programme.

Darren McGlone finished his modern apprenticeship in engineering maintenance (mechanical) and was presented with his certificate at a presentation evening held at Fraserburgh campus.

Mr McGlone said: "I am really pleased that I've gone down the modern apprenticeship route. It offers lots of scope and opportunities. In particular the Performing Engineering Operations course was good because it was workshop-based, similar to the workplace."

Duncan Abernethy, head of business and community development, closed the evening by thanking all guests for attending.

He said, "Modern apprenticeships are tremendously beneficial and it



is important to thank the employers here. Your foresight and recognition of the benefits of investing in the Modern Apprenticeship scheme will, I'm sure, reap rich rewards for your organisations in years to come.

"A recent survey, published by Skills

Development Scotland found that 75 per cent of employers reported improved productivity, 72 per cent reported improved staff morale and 71 per cent reported improved product or service quality as a result of offering Modern Apprenticeships."