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Programme 2007- 2008

Venue

BAWA Healthcare and Leisure Conference Centre
Southmead Road, Filton, Bristol BS34 7RG
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Meetings begin at 10.00 am (with coffee available from
9.30am) and finish at noon.

Group President

During my working life's experience that has spanned business, government, education and now the NHS, I have valued people, their care and their development. Throughout this time my associations and networks have proven invaluable sharing experiences. So I am delighted to see that this group brings together organisations across the employment spectrum for mutual support in a matter of such importance as Health & Safety. I am pleased to be asked to be president for the year and hope all members will take advantage of the benefits of membership.

Alfred Morris CBE DL

Group Chair

Welcome to our Programme for 2007-8. It is, it has to be said, a corker! What with our usual array of excellent speakers, the re-introduction of a site visit with at Bristol Airport, a dramatic production with Oscar-worthy performances – can it get any better? We are also revamping the web site so that information will be easier to find and especially to download presentations you may have missed. But don't just believe me, please come along to the meetings and judge for yourselves. Bring your colleagues, clients, friends and relations. The Committee (we're the ones with the badges) are determined to spread the word that Health & Safety isn't about nitpicking through rules and regulations but coming up with practical solutions to keep people safe. We do need your help, however, so we know what we could be doing better or in a different way so please make your views known – it's your group and we want to make it even better.

Linden Ruskin

CPD

IOSH Registered Safety Practitioners may claim a single CPD point for each meeting's attendance.

Membership

It is the business or organisation that is the member of the Group and attendance at meetings is, therefore, not restricted to the named representative but is open to anyone from the organisation. If you, as a named representative are moving on, please do ensure that the AOSH details are passed on to a colleague.

We are also very happy to have visitors at any of our meetings and suggest that they make themselves known to Kevin Thomas or other Committee member from the start to be properly welcomed.

An increased membership is in the interests of all and we encourage everyone to invite other businesses and organisations to become members. Please pass their details or ask them to contact Kevin Thomas, our New Member Liaison Officer, or Bob Urwin, our Secretary, as shown overleaf who will be pleased to supply them with further information and application forms.

MEETINGS 2007 - 2008

Thursday 20 September 2007

THE SAFEST FORM OF TRANSPORTATION IN THE WORLD

(The history of the lift & lift safety)

Many people harbour fears about travelling in lifts. What if they fall from the top to the bottom of the lift shaft? What if they become trapped in a lift and can never be released? This presentation is designed to dispel those fears by explaining the workings of vertical transportation from the invention of the first safety device in 1853 through to the innovations of the present time.

Speaker: Geoff Lord MBA MCMI, A W Parry Lifts Ltd

Thursday 18 October 2007

ASBESTOS ARE YOU MANAGING ?

Asbestos is the greatest single cause of work related deaths in the UK. Past exposure is now responsible for about 4000 people dying from asbestos-related cancers every year and this figure is expected to rise over the next ten years. The continuing exposures and ill health caused can and must be prevented. This presentation will give an insight into types of asbestos, its uses, where it may be found and how to develop an effective asbestos management plan.

Speaker: Kevin Thomas CMIOSH, CWE TRAINING LTD

Thursday 8 November 2007

MANAGING OCCUPATIONAL ROAD RISK

Our speaker specialises in defensive and advanced motoring techniques for the occupational and business driver. Her presentation aims to raise awareness among managers of the benefits of managing occupational road risk and how to satisfy their 'duty of care' imposed by current legislation. Also included will be a short film with 3 case studies of typical business drivers with discussions around how best to manage each driver.

Speaker: Sandra Pennyfather M I A M, Driving Ambition Ltd

Thursday 6 December 2007

"IN MITIGATION"

Ever wondered what it feels like to be in front of the Magistrates for a Health & Safety prosecution? In this dramatic presentation, we will take you through a mock Mitigation Hearing involving the prosecution of a company and an individual Director. See what goes on behind the Court doors and find out what factors are taken into account when sentencing. Oscar-nomination-worthy performances and mince pies to boot. Come along and see who gets 'sent down'!

Speakers: The Lyons Davidson Travelling Players and featuring the AOSH Committee

Thursday 17 January 2008

JOINT WITH IOSH ANNUAL LEGAL UPDATE

The first of our eagerly awaited joint meetings where our expert speakers leave us in no doubt as to what's expected of us as Health & Safety professionals and what the consequences can be if we get it wrong. The meeting will include a diverse mix of legislation, news and case studies across a wide range of occupational situations. Miss this and miss out!

*Speakers: Richard Bretton, Osborne Clarke Solicitors
Kevin Bridges, Pinsent Masons Solicitors*

Thursday 21 February 2008

JOINT WITH IOSH/HSE CONSTRUCTION SECTOR UPDATE

The head of HSE Construction in the South-West will be reviewing some of the more significant accidents and prosecutions from the past 12 months and telling what we can expect from the HSE in the foreseeable future.

Speaker: Andrew Kingscott, Principal Inspector, Construction, HSE Bristol

Thursday 13 March 2008

REPUTATIONAL RISK

Often the most damaging aspect of an industrial accident, injury or environmental incident is the media fall-out. Remember Windscale? Buncefield? The numerous rail crashes? Such negative exposure can often be the factor that drives a company down with a complete destruction of client/customer confidence and total loss of goodwill. The speaker will provide a thought provoking insight into the public relations' issues involved in dealing with a media backlash following a major incident. How practically to prepare for such an event, how to deal with it if it occurs and how to minimise the long-term effects on your business.

Speaker: Chris Ward, Lyons Davidson Solicitors

Thursday 24 April 2008

BRISTOL AIRPORT SITE VISIT + LUNCH

Ron will describe the challenges and problems of organising Health & Safety at one of Britain's busiest regional airports. He will take us behind the scenes both landside and – hopefully – airside.

A light buffet lunch will be provided at 1.00pm and the tour will follow at 2.00pm. Free parking (for the duration of the visit only!) will be available. Numbers are limited so please email peter@peter-brown.co.uk to ensure your place!

Host: Ron Board, Health & Safety Manager, Bristol Airport

Thursday 22 May 2008

HOW GREEN IS YOUR BUSINESS? + AGM

Environmental matters now go hand in hand with Health & Safety issues. Carole will explain in simple, practical terms how Health & Safety professionals can play their part in not only helping the environment but also, in doing so, minimise waste and ultimately save their companies money.

Speaker: Carole Bond, Envirowise