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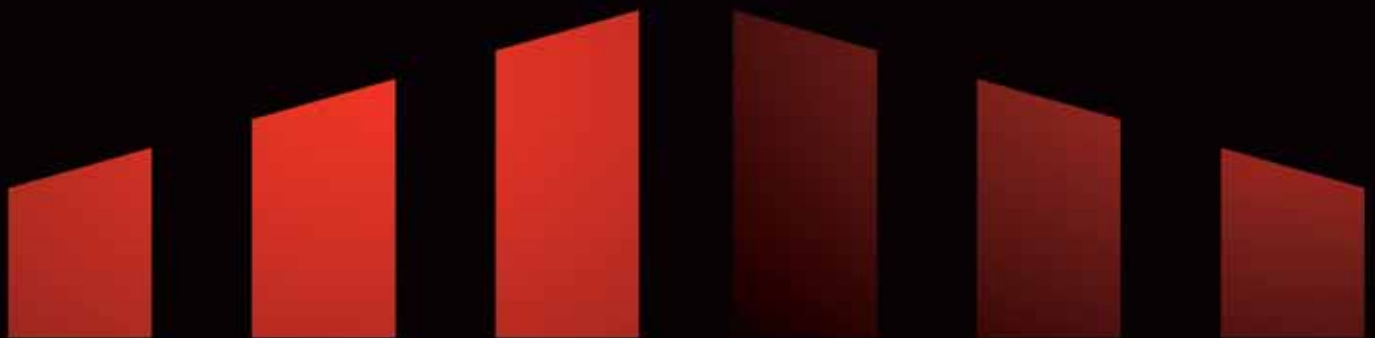
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Last year it was The Belfry, this year Moxhull Hall will be the venue for the PASMA Annual General Meeting. The date to put in your diaries is Tuesday, 15 July 2008. Moxhull Hall is conveniently situated in Sutton Coldfield, just off the A446, one mile north of The Belfry golf course and a short drive from Birmingham International Airport. You can visit www.moxhullhall.co.uk for further details.

Always an important date in the PASMA calendar, this year's AGM promises to be another memorable opportunity to catch up on the latest news and developments at the industry's trade association and training programme provider. Not to mention the chance to meet and network and exchange ideas.



Another new recruit

Chris Smith, a familiar face to most PASMA members and the access industry at large, has been appointed regional training scheme auditor for PASMA's Northern Region. He takes over from Karen O'Neill who has joined the association's head office administration team.

Formerly with Glasgow-based Turner Access, and more recently a freelance trainer and PASMA lead instructor, he brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the post. Smith will also continue as an auditor for the International Powered Access Federation.



Have your say

Pasma will soon release a comprehensive consultation document concerning proposed changes to the procedures and paperwork relating to the standard training scheme. The consultation and comment process will be published on the association's web site, all PASMA members will have the opportunity to study the proposal on line and comment on it. Don't miss this crucial opportunity to have your say. Go to www.pasma.co.uk

PASMA profile

In this and subsequent issues of *Cranes & Access* we will be profiling members of PASMA Council. We begin with Mark Turnbull.

Since 2001, Turnbull has been head of health and safety at Speedy Hire, responsible at board level for safety, health, quality and the environment. Prior to that he was head of health and safety at Speedy Hire Southern and from 1979 to 1994 held various

positions at Kendrick Hire, including that of area and regional manager.

His qualifications include the NEBOSH National Diploma in Occupational Health and Safety and the NEBOSH Specialist Diploma in Environmental Management. He is also a Dangerous Goods Safety Advisor (SQA).



Shattered lives

Through its nationwide training network, PASMA is actively supporting the HSE's 'Shattered Lives' campaign running in February and March 2008.

More than 1,000 employees a month suffer a serious injury following a slip, trip or fall at work. The campaign is aimed primarily at those most at risk of such accidents and those best placed to take action.

The purpose of the campaign is to raise awareness of the risks and help those involved to take simple action that prevents accidents in the workplace, because slips, trips and falls shatter lives. More information from www.hse.gov.uk/shatteredlives/index.htm



Access in action

Now your'e talking!

Well you could be... in the Access Industry Forum (AIF) seminar theatre to be precise. The AIF has opted this year to lift the profile of working at height by sponsoring the AIF Work at Height Seminar, rather than to hold a formal conference. Each of the eight AIF member organisations, along with the Health and Safety Executive (HSE), has been allotted three 25-minute presentation slots.

If you have something to say that will bring a fresh perspective or add to the body of knowledge about working at height, contact admin@pasma.co.uk

