

ALLMI at Vertikal Days

For the fourth consecutive year, ALLMI will have a presence at Vertikal Days which takes place at Haydock Park on the 16th and 17th June.

ALLMI will be exhibiting alongside a variety of loader crane manufacturers, as well as holding an Operators' Forum General Meeting and a seminar for the launch of the ALLMI / CPA Best Practice Guide. ALLMI executive director, Tom Wakefield, said: "We're delighted to be involved with this year's show and we expect to build upon the success we experienced last year. As well as our presence in the body of the show, we have two important events taking place at Haydock during the 16th and 17th and so we're expecting to see a large numbers of end users in attendance."



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"ALLMI fully supports Vertikal Days and it's pleasing to see once again, loader crane manufacturers have chosen to use the show as a platform to promote their latest products."

All ALLMI members and training providers qualify for free show tickets, which provide free parking, a hot lunch and refreshments. For further information please contact ALLMI.

Operators' Forum General Meeting at Vertikal Days

On the 17th June, the first Operators' Forum General Meeting of 2010 will take place at the Vertikal Days. As always, the General Meeting presents ALLMI's operator members with an opportunity to be updated on the association's activities (this will include an update on the development of ALLMI's Appointed Person training course for lorry loader operations), as well as all technical and legislative issues currently affecting the loader crane industry. Following the meeting, members will have the chance to visit the numerous show stands and demonstration areas, allowing them to view some of the latest lifting equipment to hit the market.



ALLMI & CPCS form Technical Advisory Group

In October last year, ALLMI and CPCS formed a temporary agreement that allows ALLMI lorry loader operators to apply for the red CPCS card. In an effort to achieve their aim of further aligning the two schemes, ALLMI and CPCS have decided to form a Technical Advisory Group, the purpose of which will be to produce a proposal for a permanent agreement between the two parties, which will then be put before the ALLMI Board and the CPCS Management Committee for approval. The Technical Advisory Group will consist of representatives from the following Committees, Associations, organisations and industry sectors:

- ALLMI Training Standards Committee
- ALLMI & CPCS Training Providers
- Construction Plant-hire Association
- Specialist Lifting Sector
- Civil Engineering Contractors Association
- Materials Supply Sector
- United Kingdom Contractors Group
- Utilities Sector
- Health & Safety Executive



ALLMI executive director, Tom Wakefield, said: "We're very pleased with the progress that's being made between ALLMI and CPCS, and we see the formation of the Technical Advisory Group as another significant step forward. The Group will represent a broad range of interests and viewpoints and so we're optimistic that the meetings will result in a proposal that suits all parties concerned and that will benefit the lorry loader industry as a whole."

ALLMI & CPA launch Best Practice Guide

On the 16th June, again at Vertikal Days, ALLMI and CPA will hold a seminar to launch their 'Best Practice Guide (BPG) for the Safe Use of Lorry Loaders'. The BPG was produced in conjunction with the Health and Safety Executive, the Modular and Portable Building Association, the Safety Assessment Federation, the United Kingdom Contractors Group, the National Construction College and Construction Skills, and its purpose is to clarify and expand upon the requirements of BS7121 Part 4: 2010 (the new British Standard for the Safe Use of Lorry Loaders) which was released in February this year. The seminar will provide an overview of the BPG's content and will present those in attendance with the opportunity to raise questions and participate in debate relating to any aspect of lorry loader use. ALLMI chairman, Mark Rigby, said: "Both Associations, as well as a number of other bodies, have put a great deal of work into the Best Practice Guide during the last 12 months and so it's very pleasing to see it reach publication. The Guide will serve as an invaluable reference document for all lorry loader users and it will be freely available on both the ALLMI and CPA websites."

For further information on the BPG seminar, please contact the ALLMI office.



General Meeting review for manufacturers and service agents

On the 15th April, ALLMI held its first General Meeting of 2010 for manufacturers and service agents. Members were provided with a comprehensive trading update, as well as information on ALLMI's current projects, including: ALLMI's affiliation agreement with CPCS, the Association's presence at the Vertikal Days show, updates on BS7121 Part 4 and EN12999, as well as the work being carried out on the ALLMI Code of Practice, guidance on used equipment, a ready reckoner for stabiliser loadings, Engine Management Systems and Whole Vehicle Type Approval. Members were also informed that ALLMI will be building a library on its website of frequently asked questions for all technical and legislative issues relating to lorry loaders.

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