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Operators tested at Vertikal Days

Keith Bretherton, senior contracts manager at Keyclad Ltd, and James Duffy, an IPAF-certified instructor at Access Plus Scotland, were the winners of the IPAF test course held during Vertikal Days.

"Do the Test" was the motto of the course, where operators had the chance to demonstrate their skills in doing daily checks, testing all safety systems, putting on PPE and driving the machines correctly through the course.

James Duffy from Access Plus (left) receives his prize from IPAF managing director Tim Whiteman at the Scottish Regional Meeting.



IPAF auditor Chris Smith (left) congratulates Keyclad's Keith Bretherton on completing the IPAF Test.

Craig Paylor to address Europlatform conference

Craig Paylor will deliver the keynote address at the Europlatform conference being held on 16th September at the Hotel Eurostars Madrid Tower in Spain. The conference theme is "Renting Smart: Efficient Fleet Management".

"My presentation will focus on the differences between today's distributors, manufacturers or rental companies and those of the future," said Paylor, whose 28-year career with JLG culminated in his appointment as president in 2007. He retires this month but will remain as a consultant to JLG.

Other speakers include Carlos Fernández Araoz, COO of GAM, the largest rental company in Spain, on 'Managing the Downturn', Nick Mavrick of Volvo Rents, with 'Smart Marketing and Managing Customer Relationships' and George Marriott of Access Plus in the UK, who will speak on 'Leveraging IT to be Efficient' and finally Malcolm Bowers of Lifterz, and Oliwer Sven Dahms of LiftScout Consulting, will discuss "The Benefits of Rental Alliances".

In addition there will be a panel



Craig Paylor

discussion, with participants answering questions from the audience. The panel includes IPAF president and president of Skyjack, Steve Shaughnessy.

A reception will take place on the evening of 16th September, immediately after the conference to which all delegates are invited for aperitifs. The provisional programme and details on registration and getting to the venue are at www.europlatform.info

Machinery Directive: Guide to application, self-certification

The second edition of the European Commission Guide to the Application of Machinery Directive 2006/42/EC is now available. It provides guidance on all parts of the Directive and replaces the first edition. It is a live document and may be subject to revision periodically by the EC Machinery Work Group. The guide may be accessed via the members only section of www.ipaf.org

IPAF members can also access a guide on the issues relating to self-certification of Annex IV machinery, i.e. MEWPs, which has been prepared by IPAF technical officer Gil Male. MEWP manufacturers are allowed to certify their own machines, provided that they manufacture to and declare compliance with harmonised standards covering all relevant essential health and safety requirements (EHSRs) and that they ensure that their manufacturing process ensures compliance of the machinery with their technical file and with the requirements of the Directive at all times. Rental companies and end-users are not affected by these regulations.

MCWP templates published

IPAF has published three standard forms/templates with the aim of promoting safety and best practice in the use of mast climbing work platforms (MCWPs) on work sites.

The MCWP Handover Certificate is designed to ensure that the equipment has been assembled according to the manufacturer's instructions and in conformity with applicable design standards and that the user has been informed about the safe use and emergency procedures of the MCWP.

The MCWP Load Chart is a visual reminder that the loads indicated should never be exceeded and that all users must be aware of the load restrictions and be familiarised in the safe operation of the MCWP before they use the unit.

The MCWP Thorough Examination is a form/checklist covering all elements required to ensure that the equipment has been properly examined and is safe for use.

The templates can be downloaded from the Publications/Technical Guidance section of www.ipaf.org



IPAF staff have settled into the new office and are, as always, ready to help members.



IPAF has moved

The IPAF head office has moved to new purpose-built premises at Moss End in Cumbria that are more suitable for delivering the services that members require.

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New video presentations on correct use of MEWPs

Operators and managers looking for pointers on choosing the right MEWP, working in restricted overhead spaces and using spreader pads with outriggers can refer to three new IPAF videos. The presentations by IPAF's Giles Councell, Gil Male and Chris Smith can be viewed at the Publications/Film section of www.ipaf.org



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