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PASMA Village at Vertikal Days

Making its debut at Vertikal Days 2011, the showcase for the cranes and access industry, is the PASMA Village complete with demonstration area. Intended to spotlight the latest and best in towers, tower training and best practice generally, it promises to be one of the highlights of this now annual event.

Working in collaboration with the organisers, the association has created a range of options for PASMA members designed to appeal to organisations of all

sizes - manufacturers, suppliers, hirer/dealers and training centres.

It is hoped the Village, the demonstration area and the stand choices on offer will appeal to a wide cross section of members, in particular those who want to reach a wider audience at a national show dedicated to cranes, access and now towers.

More details from Jill Couttie at jill.couttie@pasma.co.uk



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New PASMA Poster

PASMA has added a new poster to its range of safety-related products for 2011. 'Aluminium Mobile Access Tower: Inspection Guidance' provides useful information for anyone using or supervising the use of mobile access towers. More information can be obtained from Jill Couttie at jill.couttie@pasma.co.uk

Other posters available from the association include 'Better safe than sorry!' and 'When tower operatives are PASMA trained, competence and confidence are on the cards'.

The PASMA 'Operator's Code of Practice' remains the industry standard best practice guide.



PASMA at the Executive Hire Show 2011

PASMA will make its second appearance at the Executive Hire Show - next to the Hire Association Europe stand - in early February - showcasing its latest line-up of training courses, together with its range of safety-related products. It will also be fielding questions connected with the 3T (through the trap) and AGR (advanced guardrail) review.

The stand will spotlight PASMA's 'Accidents can happen even at low level' DVD as part of the association's continuing drive to improve standards when working at low heights of 2.5 metres and below. The association issued a joint statement with the Health & Safety Executive on this subject in November and is currently working with the British Standards Institution (BSI) to draft a publicly available specification (PAS).

The Executive Hire Show will be held at the Ricoh Arena, Coventry, 9-10 February.



Looking Forward

Coming up in 2011:

- Publication of the 3T/AGR review
- Launch of the new PASMA website
- Launch of the new and revised training courses
- PASMA at the Executive Hire Show (9/10 February)
- PASMA at the IOSH Conference and Exhibition (15/16 March)
- PASMA at the Safety & Health Expo (17-19 May)
- PASMA in the AIF Knowledge Base (17-19 May)
- PASMA at Vertikal Days (22/23 June)
- PASMA Tower Week (third quarter 2011)

Council Members

Council currently comprises:

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 Mick Aston (*Training Committee Chairman - co-opted*)
 Peter Bennett, (*PASMA Managing Director*)

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Kind of accident	Sub-kind of accident	Fatal injuries	Non-fatal major injuries	Over-3-day injuries	Total
Falls from a height of which:	Fall from a height up to and inc 2 metres	5	2,963	4,825	7,793
	Fall from a height over 2 metres	12	475	296	783
	Fall from a height - height not stated	5	762	1,156	1,923

PASMA supports asbestos campaign

Thousands of tradesmen, many working at height, are unknowingly working with asbestos. Asbestos is a hidden killer and it could be hidden in any building built or refurbished before the year 2000.

Each week approximately eight joiners, six electricians and four plumbers die from asbestos-related diseases, which is why the association is supporting the Health & Safety Executive's latest campaign.

The HSE has produced a special pack containing information on how to reduce the risks of asbestos. For more details call the HSE Information line 0845 345 0055 or visit www.hse.gov.uk/hiddenkiller



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