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Another Year of Growth for ALLMI

ALLMI recently closed out its 2010 /11 financial year, a period which saw impressive levels of growth for the association. With a 20 percent increase in membership numbers and a solid increase in the number of operators trained.

The effort invested by all those involved with ALLMI is clearly paying dividends. ALLMI chairman, Mark Rigby, comments: "2010 was another excellent year for ALLMI. We'd like to thank the numerous representatives from member companies who invested their time and effort in the running of the association and their employers for allowing them the opportunity to do so. We're incredibly fortunate to have

such committed members that genuinely want to see standards raised within the lorry loader industry, and for ALLMI to expand the services it provides and develop the quality of advice, guidance and training that it can offer."



Election Time

ALLMI recently announced the results of its annual elections for both ALLMI chairman and Operators' Forum chairman. Mark Rigby of Palfinger importers, T H White, will now serve his sixth consecutive year as chairman of the Association, whilst Steve Frazer-Brown of David Watson Transport makes it six years in a row as chairman of ALLMI's fleet owner division.



Mark Rigby



Steve Frazer Brown

ALLMI at Vertikal Days 2011

ALLMI returns to Vertikal Days in 2011 with the "ALLMI Village" providing the setting for the association's member companies to promote their products and services. This year's loader crane display is expected to be bigger and better than ever.

ALLMI executive director, Tom Wakefield, said: "we're very excited about this year's show. We're encouraging various types of member company to be involved, not just the manufacturers, but also service/repair agents and producers of ancillary equipment, so the display should be our best one to date. We're also planning a number of events within the show, including workshops and seminars aimed at various industry sectors and specific issues affecting lorry loaders. We will also hold general meetings for manufacturer/service agent members and fleet owner members. Guests will be more than welcome to attend both events. Finally a social event on the evening of the 22nd will provide an excellent networking opportunity for those involved with ALLMI and the loader crane industry."

Vertikal Days takes place on 22nd /23rd June. If you'd like to know more about ALLMI's presence at the show, please contact us on 0844 858 4334.



ALLMI is planning the following for Vertikal Days

- A 1,000 square metre plot within which ALLMI members can exhibit.
- A wide ranging exhibit – including loader crane and ancillary equipment manufacturers, as well as service/repair companies.
- A General meeting for the Operators' Forum (fleet owners) and a General meeting for manufacturer/service members .
- A series of workshops/seminars aimed at various lorry loader industry sectors/particular issues affecting lorry loaders.
- Equipment demonstrations.
- An operator competition in the show's Demonstration Area.

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ALLMI focus



Thorough Examinations - Course for Managers

As part of its on-going efforts to raise the level of knowledge and awareness in relation to the subject of Thorough Examinations, ALLMI has launched a new training course for managers which focuses on this subject. The course has been designed to assist companies in fulfilling their obligations under Regulation 9.2 of the Provision & Use of Work Equipment Regulations (PUWER) 1998:

"Every employer shall ensure that any of his employees who supervises or manages the use of work equipment has received adequate training for purposes of health and safety, including training in the methods which may be adopted when using the work equipment, any risks which such use may entail and precautions to be taken."

ALLMI technical director, Alan Johnson, says: "For some time now we've been encouraging companies to put their relevant managers through our Thorough Examination training wherever possible. However, we appreciate that some managers will not meet the entry criteria for the course, or may not be in a position to take time off from their day to day duties for the full duration of the training programme. With this in mind, we've abbreviated the standard course into a one day session, which covers the same topics as the standard course, including an element of the practical training. Whilst we're

obviously not certifying the delegates as 'competent', those attending and completing the course will undoubtedly gain a much better understanding of the technical and legislative issues relating to an area



of the business for which they are responsible. At the same time and in accordance with the requirements of PUWER, companies will be able to demonstrate that they've further complied with the law."