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# CPD Seminars for PASMA instructors

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PASMA focus

The Fall Protection Review completed by PASMA, in collaboration with the HSE, recommended that the Towers for Users module be enhanced by the mandatory inclusion of both currently recommended assembly methods, Through The Trap (3T) and Advanced Guard Rails (AGRs), within the practical element of the training in addition to the classroom presentation, rather than leaving this to the discretion of individual training centres, as has previously been the case.

In preparation for this, the Review also recommended that an education programme be undertaken to ensure that all PASMA Instructors are fully conversant with and have supporting in-depth knowledge of the developments in AGRs, particularly the latest generation of Integral AGRs.

As part of its Instructor Continuing Professional Development (CPD) scheme, PASMA has therefore organised a series of twenty two seminars which will run every week from 1st November until the 15th December 2011. The seminars will be full day sessions, and will be held throughout the UK.

Dates	Venue	Venue
1 November	Astra Access	Kingfisher Access
3 November	Youngman Group*	Instant Training
8 November	Euro Towers	Astra Access
10 November	Construction Skills Centre	Solent Tower Hire
15 November	Lyte Industries (Wales) Ltd*	LFI: On the Job Training
17 November	Euro Towers	North East Access Training
22 November	Instant Training	Turner Access
24 November	Kingfisher Access	Construction Skills Centre
1 December	HSS Solihull	HSS Manchester (Piccadilly)
8 December	Astra Access	HSS London (Staples Corner)
15 December	Euro Towers	Instant Training

The programme for each session (9:00 – 4:30pm) maximum 12 delegates

- Introduction;
- Fall Protection Review: Final Report;
- Recommendations from the Report;
- Implementation of the recommendations from the report;
- Advance Guardrail for Towers for Instructors (Powerpoint presentation);
- Practical demonstration;
- Advance Guardrail for Towers for Users (PowerPoint presentation);
- Work at Height Essentials (PowerPoint presentation);
- Low Level Access (PowerPoint presentation);
- Question and answer session.



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## Geoff Carr appointed central auditor

PASMA has appointed Geoff Carr, 48, as its new central auditor. Based in Newport, Shropshire, he will cover the area up to Greater Manchester and down as far as Norfolk.

Carr joins PASMA from Instant Training where he was a senior instructor responsible for delivering PASMA, IPAF, Ladder Association and harness training courses to both users and instructors. He was also responsible for course development within the company and for internal paperwork auditing systems.

He joined Instant Training in 1997 having started his career 15 years earlier as a government training scheme apprentice in the warehouse at Access Equipment. This subsequently became Instant Zip-Up, at which point he developed his skills to become a scaffolding team supervisor. He later worked for the training division, which then became Instant Training. He is a lead instructor for both PASMA and the Ladder

Association and a senior instructor for IPAF. He is also a harness instructor and qualified to deliver manual handling training. He holds a NEEBOSH General Certificate and is currently working towards the ISO 9001 Lead Auditor qualification.

Married with three grown up children, Carr and his wife are also foster carers. He lists his interests as family, eating out and travelling. PASMA managing director, Peter Bennett said: "We are absolutely delighted to have Geoff on board. His knowledge and experience will be a great asset to PASMA."

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Geoff Carr

## AIF Round Up

**Crossrail:** Along with other member organisations of the Access Industry Forum (AIF), PASMA recently addressed

a meeting of principal contractors employed by Crossrail – the new East West train line through London. The aim of the meeting was to discuss the latest developments in safety and best practice when working at height, prior to the works ramping up next year.

**Toolbox Talks:** Two further Toolbox Talks are currently in the course of production. They will be available to view free online later this year.

