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"When we were undertaking due diligence on the acquisition of another powered access company, who were already using the Syrinx system, we noted that Syrinx gave them a number of operational and financial functions that we didn't have with our existing system. Kimberly Access are a focused operational business and so this excited us. Syrinx is now set up as our group rental system and Higher Concept Software have exceeded all our expectations in terms of the product and their customer service." **Ray Ledger**

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"Our previous system was fraught with difficulties and not backed up with good service. It was a big decision to contemplate getting a new hire management system but we were so frustrated we had no other option. We were pleasantly surprised at how smooth the implementation of Syrinx was. We have been impressed with the excellent project management and exemplary training backed up by excellent support." **Alistair Jordan**

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# "Always moving forward"

"Always moving forward" was the message for attendees at the 2014 PASMA Annual Members' Meeting held for the first time at Coombe Abbey in Warwickshire. Members heard from chairman Chris Blantern, managing director Peter Bennett and the chairmen of the various committees as well as from Paul Cook and Claire Bruce from the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) and Edward Gardiner from the Warwick Business School.

Cook spoke about the background, review process, launch and subsequent roll-out of the HSE's new, simplified guidance for working at height as well as looking ahead to some of the HSE's coming initiatives and priorities. Bruce from the HSE's Safety Unit explained the background to PASMA's Not on Your Life! campaign - the current collaboration between PASMA and the HSE to encourage the specification and use of mobile access towers that comply with European standard EN 1004.

Gardiner described the project that PASMA has commissioned to better understand the behavioural aspects of working at height with a view to informing and shaping future product design and tower training.



Claire Bruce from the HSE

Peter Bennett said: "We have always valued our collaborative relationship with the HSE and have been particularly impressed with the consultative approach to the development and introduction of the new and simplified guidance."

"Likewise, despite the economic strictures imposed upon the HSE, we are very heartened that the very important issue of non EN 1004 compliant towers has been highlighted and publicised. We are very happy to take the lead on this issue which will be a keynote theme in PASMA's 2014 Tower Week."

Since 2001 there have been almost 9,000 incidents involving sub-standard towers reported to the HSE. PASMA's message is simple and direct: 'Your life and the lives of others that you care for depend on using a safe tower'.



PASMA's 2014 Annual Members' Meeting was held at Coombe Abbey for the first time

## PASMA mobile app gets more downloads

The last 12 months has seen a substantial growth in user numbers for PASMA's mobile app, which is available for Apple and Android phones. An indispensable tool for anyone working with towers, the app can be downloaded at: [www.pasma.co.uk/info/mobile-app](http://www.pasma.co.uk/info/mobile-app)



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**PASMA Tower Week - 10-14 November 2014**

## Social media promotes best practice

Social media is set to be a vital part of this year's Not on Your Life! campaign which will involve a search for images of poor examples of towers which will be given a Terrible Towers rating out of 10.

The aim is to showcase the way in which towers are actually being used in everyday situations up and down the country. Do they comply with EN 1004, have they been assembled properly and are they being used correctly? We'll soon find out! Send them to: [michael.fern@pasma.co.uk](mailto:michael.fern@pasma.co.uk)



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## PAS 250 set to move up the agenda

At the request of council, the PASMA-sponsored specification for low-level work platforms, PAS 250, is shortly to be the subject of a major campaign advocating the use of only those products that comply with the minimum safety and performance criteria laid down in the specification.

Working with other trade associations and professional bodies, including Working Well Together (WWT), the aim is to increase the awareness and understanding of the implications of PAS 250 and the need to purchase or hire only PAS 250 compliant podiums and pulpius.

## Seven up!

PASMA's training line-up now includes seven courses focusing on competency and height safety:

- Towers for Users: PASMA's flagship course for assembling, dismantling, moving and inspecting towers.
- Towers for Managers: A one-day course catering for anyone responsible for overseeing the work of tower operatives in the workplace.
- Low Level Access: For those using folding step and folding tower units.
- Combined Low Level and Towers for Users: Combines two courses in one for a recognised qualification.
- Work at Height Essentials: Covering the basics.



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- Towers on Stairs: A new course for 2014 covering the application and use of stepped towers.
- Towers for Riggers: Also new this year the five-day course for advanced tower users teaching a range of techniques.

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