

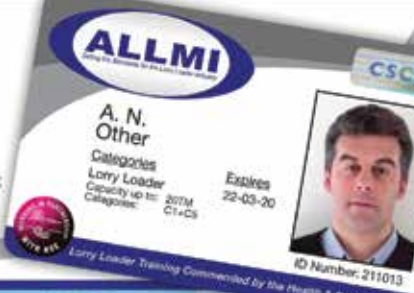

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Julian Elms of Palfinger importer, T H White, has joined the ALLMI instructor auditing team. As the lead instructor for T H White, and a member of the ALLMI Training Standards Committee, Elms has over 11 years' experience in the lorry loader industry and will be a valuable addition to the association's monitoring structure.



Speaking of his appointment he said: "ALLMI's auditing team is crucial to maintaining training standards and so I am very pleased to be a part of it. The Auditor Development Programme was extremely comprehensive, I now look forward to carrying out regular monitoring visits and providing instructors with any required support and guidance."

Julian Elms



## Committee overview & updates

Early 2017 has been a busy period for ALLMI's committees and board, with each of them meeting throughout March and April.

### ALLMI Training Standards Committee

Having the important role of developing and maintaining ALLMI's training standards, the committee met in March to discuss a forthcoming update to the association's operator course, as well as a Continuing Professional Development (CPD) facility which will soon be launched through the ALLMI website.

### ALLMI Technical Standards Committee

As the consultative body for all technical and legislative aspects of the association's activities, the Technical Standards Committee met in April with the key task of reviewing new ALLMI Guidance Notes covering Thorough Examinations and Work at Height, both of which will soon be published. The committee also reviewed draft guidance for persons conducting Thorough Examinations on loader cranes mounted to waterborne vessels, a document which ALLMI is producing in conjunction with the Maritime and Coastguard Agency.

### ALLMI Operators' Forum Executive Committee

The Executive Committee is elected by Operators' Forum members in order to represent their interests and progress matters on their behalf. Many of its activities feed into those of the Training and Technical Standards Committees, providing a fleet owner perspective. The committee's meeting in April focussed on a wide range of important issues, including the auditing of members, recruitment/retention, and also lone working, a subject for which ALLMI will develop a Guidance Note in 2017.

### ALLMI Board

The board is elected by members to oversee all ALLMI activities and is responsible for managing the direction of the association. The board meeting in March included a discussion on ALLMI's current projects, as well as agreeing that a new area of the association's website would be developed in 2017, aimed specifically at promoting the lorry loader industry to young people and facilitating their contact with member companies. It was also confirmed that a new Guidance Note would be produced covering the subject of on-site risk assessments, procedures and behaviour, all in relation to service/repair work.

ALLMI chief executive Tom Wakefield said: "ALLMI's board and committee structure is fundamental to the running of the association. We are extremely fortunate that member companies, training providers and affiliated organisations, such as the HSE, are willing to commit valuable time to work on ALLMI matters, as their input facilitates the continual raising of standards for the betterment of the entire lorry loader industry."



## ALLMI Membership Event 2017 – 11th October

ALLMI will build upon the success of its previous Membership Events with an industry wide get together at the Forest of Arden Marriott Hotel & Country Club in Meriden on 11th October this year. ALLMI chairman, Mark Rigby said: "Although we are still in the very early planning stages, we have already received a great deal of interest in what continues to be the largest gathering of lorry loader professionals in the industry's calendar." Chief executive Tom Wakefield, added "Our preparations will take shape over the next month or so and we look forward to keeping members, as well as the wider industry, informed of developments. In the meantime, we would ask all stakeholders to mark the date in their diaries and to contact us if they have any queries regarding the event."



## EN 12999 update

The revision to EN 12999 is currently being finalised and should be published in the coming months. This European Standard specifies minimum requirements for design, calculation, examinations and tests of loader cranes, and their mountings on vehicles or static foundations. Look out for updates in future issues of Cranes & Access, including ALLMI's guide to the changes this will bring.



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