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ALLMI Membership Event - 40th anniversary celebrations!

ALLMI has announced full details of its 2018 Membership Event and 40th Anniversary celebrations. The industry-wide get-together will take place on 11th October at the Belfry Hotel & Resort in Sutton Coldfield.

As well as facilitating association members - manufacturers/ importers, service companies, fleet owners, ancillary equipment suppliers and site operators coming together to discuss and debate topical issues affecting the lorry loader industry, the Event will also see updates on ALLMI's wide range of projects and activities, while offering networking opportunities via two social functions.

The Event will begin with lunch, followed by separate membership meetings for each of the





association's divisions, before all delegates hear from Steve

guest speaker

Steve Richards, the political commentator who has held leading media roles, including chief political reporter for The Independent, editor of the New Statesman and host of GMTV's Sunday Programme and BBC 2's Despatch Box. As a leading analyst on Brexit he will share his views on its impact for the lorry loader and allied industries.

The evening entertainment will

kick off with mind reader Graham Jolley, a veteran of the BBC and ITV, and will continue during dinner with table side magic from 'Chicks 'N' Tricks', performing their own distinctive brand of spectacular closeup illusions. The night will be capped by a set from comedian, Rod





Woodward.

ALLMI chairman Mark Rigby said: "Whilst the scale of our Membership Event increases year on year, 2018's is of particular significance as we will be celebrating ALLMI's 40th Anniversary, a milestone we are delighted to reach with our industry presence stronger than ever. There is no doubt that the Event will be the largest gathering of UK lorry loader professionals in the 2018 calendar, and is a great way to celebrate this fantastic landmark, as well as continued progress for many years to come!"

The ALLMI Membership Event will include:

- A working lunch
- Meetings for manufacturers/importers, service companies, ancillary equipment suppliers, fleet owners and site operators.
- A speech/Q&A with political commentator, Steve Richards, concerning the impact of Brexit.
- Pre-dinner drinks.
- A three course dinner.
- Fundraising activities, with proceeds going to the Lighthouse Club.
- Entertainment from Graham Jolley, 'Chicks 'N' Tricks' and comedian, Rod Woodward.
- Luxury accommodation at the Belfry Hotel & Resort.
- Complimentary ALLMI branded giveaways for overnight delegates.
- An opportunity on 12th October to take in a round of golf on some of the UK's leading courses.

Contact ALLMI if you require additional information.

Increased demand for slinger/signaller training

Demand for ALLMI's Slinger/Signaller course has increased by almost 20 percent year to date. Technical manager, Keith Silvester said: "We are extremely pleased to see further increases in demand for this course, which follows a 22 percent rise during 2017. ALLMI has long been promoting the importance of slinger/signaller training and raising awareness of the problems that can occur when this is neglected. Whilst there is a growing acceptance of this message throughout the industry, we will of course, continue to drive it, as some employers still believe that putting their staff through a lorry loader operator course provides them with a sufficient level of skill, knowledge and understanding to act as a slinger, which is not the

case. Specific training should be undertaken in order to be proficient in this area, and this is a requirement under the Health & Safety at Work Act, PUWER and BS7121 Part 4."



Market statistics development

ALLMI has improved its loader crane market statistics with the introduction of new data categories. The sales figures are collected and compiled on a six monthly basis by an independent third party specialist, with the majority of manufacturers/importers involved.

ALLMI chief executive Tom Wakefield said: "The statistics are broken down based on the tonne/metre rating of the equipment, as well as the application, and the collective data provides a great tool for participants to analyse their own performance in numerous market sectors. While ALLMI cannot see each manufacturer's figures, by reviewing the overall totals we can identify market trends, which can be extremely helpful in relation to a number of our activities, including directing and prioritising certain projects. Breaking the data down into additional categories will obviously improve the quality of information to the benefit of all concerned, and we look forward to reviewing these results in due course."



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