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ALLMI meetings go online

ALLMI has announced the dates of its 2020 membership meetings, which will take place online. The meeting for manufacturers, service companies and ancillary equipment suppliers will be held on 12th November, with an Operators' Forum (fleet owner) meeting on the 18th November.

ALLMI chief executive Tom Wakefield said: "We are delighted to be engaging with members using the online format. The meetings will provide an excellent platform upon which to update members concerning a wide range of topical issues affecting the lorry loader industry, as well as numerous projects and activities being undertaken by ALLMI throughout 2020. Further engagement will be possible via a Q & A session."



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Revised Slinger/Signaller course taking shape

Following record levels of uptake in 2019, demand for ALLMI's Slinger/Signaller course has continued to be stronger this year. ALLMI has long advocated the importance of Slinger/Signaller training, raising awareness of the problems that can occur when it is neglected.

The association continues to drive this important message, educating those that believe a lorry loader operator course will provide staff with a sufficient level of skill and understanding to act as a slinger – this is not the case, specific training should be undertaken in order to be proficient in this area, it is also a requirement under the Health & Safety at Work Act, PUWER and BS7121 Part 4.

ALLMI training officer, Jon Kenyon said: "The use of inadequately trained slingers can be a major cause of accidents, as well as damaged equipment, and having properly trained personnel in this role can prevent these issues, creating a safer and more efficient working environment. The course supplies the rigorous training necessary to achieve these benefits and has played a crucial role in raising the standard of Slinger/Signaller practices. In spite of the course's popularity, our approach is to continually evolve and improve what we do. To this end we have been working on a revision to the programme and are now in the final stages of completing the draft material, after which further industry consultation will be held and trial courses undertaken."

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A presentation slide from ALLMI's updated Slinger/Signaller course.

Demand for online manager training

With a new online format available (Appointed Person and Thorough Examiner only), ALLMI has seen increased demand for its manager courses, as companies look to bolster their compliance with the requirements of PUWER 9.2:

PUWER 9.2

"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."

One such company is Hill & Smith, trading as Hardstaff Barriers, which recently put a team of senior staff through the ALLMI AP Manager course. General manager SHEQ, Nick Wills said: "Safety and standards are paramount for Hill & Smith, they are part of our culture and are entrenched in everything we do. It was, therefore, a logical move for us to adopt ALLMI's manager courses, as this type of training plays an important role in our ongoing review of good practice, allowing the company's management to continually develop greater empathy of the challenges faced by front-line staff."

ALLMI technical manager, Keith Silvester added: "The one day manager courses are abbreviated, attendance based (i.e. no assessments) versions of our standard training programmes, covering all of the same topics and, in some cases, also including a practical element. As well as assisting a company's compliance with the requirements of PUWER 9.2, the courses provide managers with an improved understanding of the technical, legislative and operational issues for which they are responsible, and the knock-on effect of this is that standards are then raised throughout the business."

"Due to the solely classroom based nature of the Appointed Person and Thorough Examiner versions, these two manager courses are currently available online. This format has proved to be extremely popular this year, as it obviously enables social distancing and eliminates travel costs, whilst not detracting from the quality or benefits of the training."

ALLMI provides the following courses for managers:

- Lorry Loader Operator
- Appointed Person
- Slinger / Signaller
- Thorough Examiner
- Crane Supervisor



ALLMI manager courses assist compliance with PUWER 9.2



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