David Walker appointed southern regional auditor



PASMA has appointed David Walker, 43, as its new southern regional auditor. As one of three auditors, he will now be responsible for ensuring that PASMA training centres in the south of England meet the stringent requirements of

the PASMA training scheme and consistently achieve agreed standards. He brings to the post a wealth of experience in the access industry. As chairman of the Ladder Association he was a founder member of the Access Industry Forum and has worked closely with the Health & Safety Executive in particular to introduce the industry standard Ladder Association training scheme. Walker has served on several standards committees and has long time experience of internal quality systems and management audits, especially QA management systems to ISO 9000.

C&a PASMA focus Christine Shepherd (L) and Jill Couttie (R)

PASMA at Safety & Health Expo 2009

As in previous years, the PASMA stand was one of the most popular in the Access Village sponsored by the Access Industry Forum.

Seen here are administrative assistant, Christine Shepherd, and communications officer, Jill Couttie. VIP visitors included Judith Hackett, chair of the Health and Safety Executive.

2009 AGM

The 2009 AGM will again take place at Moxhull Hall Hotel. The hotel is conveniently situated in Sutton Coldfield, just off the A446, one mile north of The Belfry golf course and a short drive from Birmingham International Airport. The date is Tuesday, 14 July. For more details please visit www.pasma.co.uk or email jill.couttie@pasma.co.uk

Latest leaflets

The association took the opportunity to launch its stamp of approval 'Tower trained: Competence without compromise' and a new set of leaflets at Expo 2009, including:

- Become a member of PASMA Enjoy the status and recognition of belonging to YOUR trade association.
- To get ahead in training, you need to stand out from the crowd

Apply to become an Approved PASMA Training Centre.

• PASMA safety-related products

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New Online Training Registration System

The new online training registration system is now up and running. Designed to speed and simplify the whole process, it delivers a number of distinct advantages.

These include a new messaging function between PASMA and its nationwide training centres; a new online booking calendar allowing centres to book multiple courses on the same day; a facility to select training locations from a drop down menu rather than having to enter them manually; and fewer mandatory fields to search

when looking for a particular delegate. PASMA managing director Peter Bennett says: "The new system represents a major step forward in the way cards are produced and managed. There are a significant number of new features and benefits which will quickly become apparent to users."

Workshop week

The association has arranged a series of 'Managers/Supervisors' and 'Advance Modules' workshops for approved instructors and training centre staff. The aim is to introduce instructors to the revised course syllabus and support documents. Free of charge, the courses will also revise the 'Work at Height Awareness (Basic)' and 'Low Level Access' courses. Dates and locations are:

4 June: Kingfisher Access Services, Hornchurch 10 June: HSS Hire Service Group,

London

9 June: Capital Training (SW) Ltd, Cardiff 10 June: Instant Upright,

Dublin

More details from the website or email jill.couttie@pasma.co.uk $\,$

Sign Up! Safely

PASMA is joining forces with the NASC and the Ladder Association to deliver a joint presentation 'Working at height - getting it right' at a day-long event in Barnsley, South Yorkshire, organised by the HSE and the British Sign and Graphics Association. The date of the event is Tuesday, 30th June 2009. More details from Chris Kendall on +44 (0)7973 727356. Under the AIF umbrella, the association will also be taking part in a series of presentations and demonstrations organised by the Association for Project Safety at Lingfield Park Racecourse on Monday, 28 September 2009.

Cranes & Access Tower Supplement

The date for publication of the special tower supplement has now been fixed for October 2009. Further details will be circulated shortly.

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