

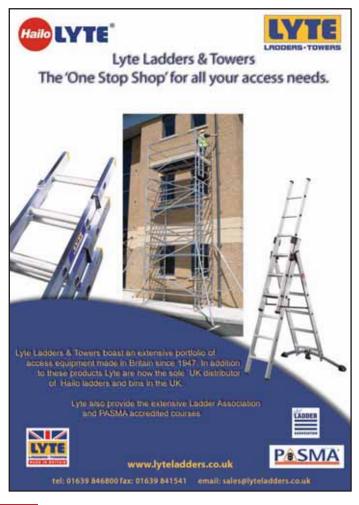


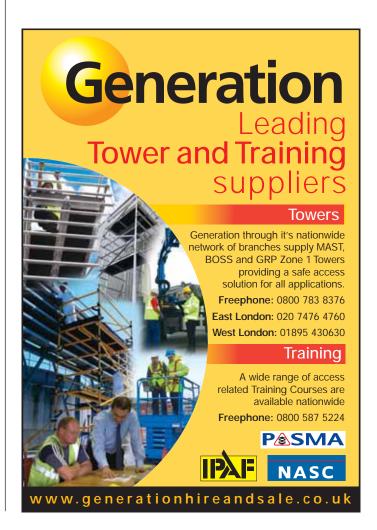
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Situated on three floors in the commercial heart of Glasgow, PASMA's first permanent home offers spacious

accommodation for its staff along with a choice of meeting rooms for Council and committees.

The new headquarters are home to:

Peter Bennett	Managing director
Karen O'Neill	Administration manager
Jill Couttie	Communications officer
Christine Shepherd	Administration assistant
Lynn Couttie	Administration assistant
Suzanne McFarlane	Accounts controller



A familiar face to members and those in the industry at large, Don Aers has been appointed as PASMA's first technical manager.



He joins the association from the Youngman Group where he was technical manager. The immediate past president of the Ladder Association, he brings to PASMA a wealth of experience of the access industry, including working with the HSE and national and international standards-setting bodies.

Aers will support the work of PASMA's various committees, liaise with the relevant regulatory bodies and provide advice and guidance to the association's members.

PASMA appoints technical manager in Cranes & Access

The long-awaited mobile access tower supplement was published in the October issue of Cranes & Access. Everyone should now have received a copy of the 16-page supplement which covers everything from choosing and using towers to the latest trends and developments.

Our thanks go to all those PASMA members who either contributed articles or supported the publication with advertising. It is now being re-printed as a separate document and used for promotional purposes at conferences and exhibitions.



Low level access dvd

Work is virtually complete on the association's latest addition to its DVD library. It covers all the basics when it comes to using low level access equipment such as podium steps and folding room scaffolds. Stuart Hopkins, PASMA's training scheme manager who has overseen the production of the DVD says: "The DVD highlights the common misuses of this type of equipment and shows the best way to use them safely and productively."

PASMA comments on fall tragedy

PASMA received a number of requests for comment following the HSE's successful prosecution of EDF Energy Contracting Ltd at Chichester Crown Court in relation These methods were developed in to a fatal fall from a tower.

James Gordon died while dismantling a mobile tower scaffold at Worthing High School in West Sussex. Gordon appears to have stumbled and with no quardrails in place to save him he fell more than five metres, suffering fatal head injuries.

In response, managing director Peter Bennett issued the following statement: "PASMA, the lead industry body in the mobile tower sector, recommends that users are trained and competent and that they closely follow the manufacturer's assembly

guide which shows either one or both of the two methods, Advance Guardrail or 3T, currently recommended by PASMA and the HSE.

advance of the Work at Height Regulations 2005 to ensure that users are protected from the risk of falling throughout the assembly, dismantling and alteration of mobile tower scaffolds.

Both are explained in the HSE Information Sheet CIS10, available as a free download on

www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/cis10.pdf and on an information DVD produced by PASMA in co-operation with the HSE, which is available from www.pasma.co.uk/ public/Guidance.jsp "



Thanks to Kingfisher Access and PASMA, Little Haven's Hospice for Children is £1,000 better off.

It follows a PASMA training day organised by Kingfisher managing director, George Reid, the profits from which were donated to the charity. Delivered by instructor, Simon Heslop,

all the delegates were asked to wear 'pink' high visibility vests. These proved so popular, most of them were taken home as souvenirs!



The list of safety-related products available from the PASMA online shop is growing and now includes:

- DVD: Accidents Don't Just Happen
- DVD: Don't Fall For It!
- Code: PASMA Operator's Code of Practice
- PocketCard 1: Assembling. Moving & Dismantling Towers

- PocketCard 2: Inspecting Towers
- Poster 1: Checklist for Safe Use
- . Poster 2: How to Record **Tower Inspections**
- Tower Inspection Record: A Site Record

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Website New

Work continues apace on the new website which, apart from looking completely different, will include a number of new features for the benefit of members and the industry at large. The site will be populated with images of towers and any member wishing to submit suitable pictures for possible inclusion can send them to jill.couttie@pasma.co.uk