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IPAF has begun a project to systematically collect worldwide data on accidents/incidents involving aerial work platforms, with the aim of improving the safe use of equipment.

Manufacturers, rental companies and users are encouraged to report any known incidents, using the standard form that is available at www.ipaf.org/accident. All information will be kept confidential and used strictly for the purposes of analysis. Report an accident and help save a life!



Over 100,000 trained

A record number of 101,457 people completed an IPAF training course in 2011. Training available from IPAF-approved centres includes operator courses for which a PAL Card (Powered Access Licence) is issued, and management courses for which a certificate is issued. A record 97,488 PAL Cards were issued in 2011, an increase of 13.9 percent over the 85,605 cards issued in 2010.

Long-service award for Jean Harrison

Jean Harrison, IPAF membership officer and event/committee coordinator, has received a long service award in recognition of 20 years of dedicated service.

Harrison started working for Paul Adorian, IPAF's first managing director, 20 years ago when the office was on a farm, which was also home to a few llamas. There were just three employees: Paul, Jean and Debbie Beazley. "It has been exciting to have experienced the ups and downs the Federation has been through," said Harrison. "And a pleasure to serve our members, many of whom have become familiar, friendly faces over the years."

Chief executive Tim Whiteman added: "Jean has assisted hundreds of IPAF members during her 20 years with the Federation. Her contribution to the Federation's success is an important part of the IPAF story and I thank her personally and also on behalf of our members for her support."



Jean Harrison receives her long-service award from Giles Councill, IPAF director of operations.

IPAF Summit in Rome

Online bookings are running out fast for the IPAF Summit and IAPAs, which will be held on 29th March at the Sheraton Roma Hotel in Rome, Italy.

Visit www.iapa-summit.info to register for the free Summit and to book your ticket to the awards ceremony and dinner. The theme of the Summit is "Analysing Accidents to Reduce Accidents". Confirmed speakers include Andy Studdert, chief executive of US-based NES Rentals, Peter Douglas, executive director of operations at Nationwide Platforms, Mohd Ismadi, deputy director at the Singapore Ministry of Manpower; and Gary Riley of AWPT. Register in advance at www.iapa-summit.info



Clear and practical guidance to promote safe work at height: IPAF comments on the Löfstedt Review

IPAF believes that clear and practical industry-led guidance is a strong basis to promote the safe and effective use of powered access equipment, and welcomes the publication of the Löfstedt Review, aimed at reducing the burden of unnecessary regulation on businesses while maintaining the UK's high standards of health and safety.

"The hearts and minds of equipment operators are won when they are convinced to do the right thing and adhere to safety principles and best practice because they want to and not because they have to," said IPAF chief executive Tim Whiteman. "This belief in providing practical and useful advice has guided many of IPAF's safety initiatives and campaigns, and we look forward to working with other agencies in implementing the recommendations of the Löfstedt Review."

One of the recommendations is that the Work at Height Regulations and associated guidance be reviewed by April 2013. The report also states that: "Any changes to the regulations should not result in an increased risk to employees or others."

IPAF will be monitoring the review carefully and consulting with members and other bodies at an early stage. One concern that needs to be addressed is the proposal to exempt the self-employed from certain requirements of health and safety legislation.

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IPAF is taking its "Spread the load" safety campaign to Intermat with a touch of colour, spectacle and urban art. Visit IPAF in the Outdoor Area E2, Stand B064.



Take the Access Photograph of the Year

A contest is being run alongside this year's International Awards for Powered Access (IAPAs) to find the Access Photograph of the Year, one that is visually stunning and promotes the industry.

The photo must be of a real job, demonstrate safety and best practice, and be of a reasonably high resolution. The competition is not open to professional photographers or the media.

The €1,200 prize, generously sponsored by Facelift, will go to the operator, site worker, service engineer, delivery agent, trainer or trainee who takes the best picture.

Photos should be submitted by e-mail to media@ipaf.org by 29th

February with some basic information about the photo: when taken, what project, what machine.



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