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# Membership Event update

ALLMI has announced the full details for its Membership Event 2017, which takes place on 11th October in Meriden. At what promises to be the largest to date, the industry wide gathering will commence with a working lunch before moving on to separate meetings for each of the divisions within the association. The afternoon session will conclude with all delegates coming together to hear from guest speaker, Perry McCarthy. As an ex Formula 1 driver and the original 'Stig' from TV's Top Gear, Perry will share his experiences from the field of motor racing and his time spent on one of the world's most popular television programmes. His speech will be followed by an evening function consisting of dinner and light entertainment, providing a relaxed and informal environment to facilitate networking opportunities.

ALLMI chairman, Mark Rigby said: "This event is yet another positive development in ALLMI's ongoing efforts to effectively engage with members. As always, both meetings will contain comprehensive updates on important industry issues, as well as several major projects being undertaken throughout this year. Delegates will also break up into Discussion Groups, a format which was a big success in 2016 as it facilitates excellent levels of lively and constructive debate. In addition, we're looking forward to providing another social event in the evening, which presents a great networking opportunity for members and which will be made all the more enjoyable by live music from pianist, Carl Lewis, as well as a set from leading stand-up comedian, Jed Stone, who will also act as compère for the night. A number of important, but light-hearted activities will also raise funds for the Lighthouse Club."

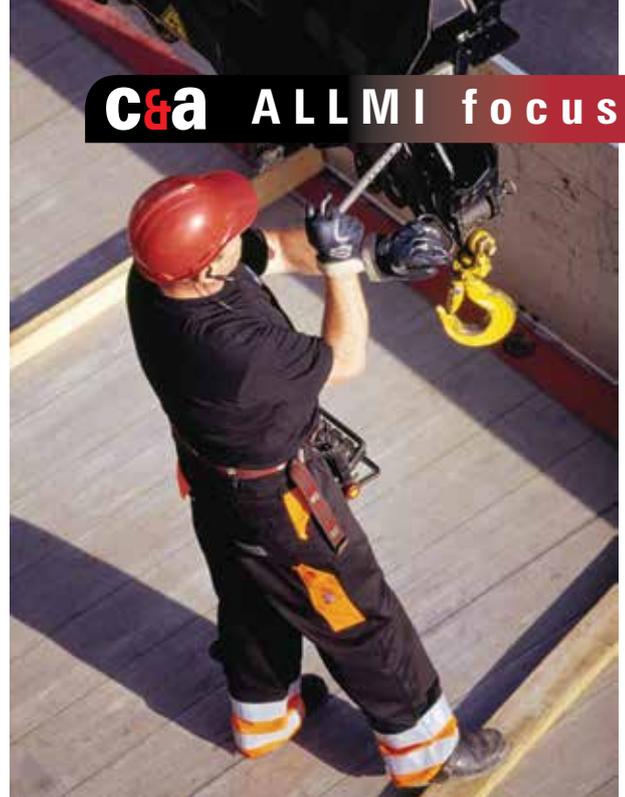


Look out for further updates or contact ALLMI if you require additional information in the meantime.

## ALLMI celebrates 40 years in 2018

In 2018, ALLMI will celebrate the 40th anniversary of its formation. ALLMI chief executive Tom Wakefield said: "We are obviously very keen to promote this landmark and to find numerous ways to commemorate the association's 40 years of service to the lorry loader industry. Whilst the matter has of course been discussed with the board and membership, we would also like to involve the wider industry and would be pleased to hear any suggestions as to how the anniversary might be celebrated. We would also be interested in receiving information and memorabilia (e.g. photographs, documentation etc...), which could be used or referred to when chronicling the history of the industry."

"We would like to thank our members for their support and involvement over the years, which has been fundamental to ALLMI's development. What started as a small, dedicated group of manufacturers and importers in 1978 has developed into a dynamic trade association and leading standard setting body for the lorry loader industry, with around 200 members and training many thousands of people a year. We look forward to celebrating and raising awareness of these achievements in 2018, as well as our commitment to further progress."



## Guidance under development

ALLMI is continually looking to build on its already extensive library of Guidance Notes and currently has two further documents under development, covering lone working and on-site risk assessments/behaviour.

Technical manager, Keith Silvester said: "These key topics were debated as part of our Membership Event discussion groups last year, which revealed a genuine appetite for some documented guidance to be developed. As a result, we have reviewed the subjects in conjunction with the relevant ALLMI committees and have now reached the drafting stage. Lone working is obviously an extremely broad subject, so we are focusing mainly on lorry loader operators carrying out one man operations, the inherent risks involved in doing so and any safeguards or procedures that companies should be implementing. For on-site risk assessments and behaviour, the Guidance Note will be aimed at service engineers, providing both them and their employers with valuable points to consider, as well as template documentation to use."

Should you wish to contribute ideas or suggestions on the above subjects, please contact ALLMI.

## Smartphone App update

ALLMI's smartphone App is one step closer to completion, having successfully concluded its final beta testing phase. The process has been extremely positive, with users impressed by both the functionality and design of the App. They also provided some helpful suggestions as to how it could be further developed. As a result, several final stage changes are being made, with a firm launch schedule to be announced shortly.



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