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GOING UP IN THE WORLD

A history of Simon Engineering, the development of the powered access industry and a lifetime as an engineer, by Denis Ashworth

Ashworth was a keen engineer and from an early age found himself in at the very start of the modern powered access industry.

His book is an unusual combination of autobiography and history of Simon Engineering Dudley, a pioneer of the powered access industry and at one time, the world's largest manufacturer of aerial lifts.

The coffee table sized book, is highly readable and includes around 150 photographs and drawings from the very beginning of the industry. It is a 'must read' for anyone who is interested in powered access, the hydraulic equipment industry or in comparing modern day engineering challenges with those of an entirely different era.

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GLOBAL SAFETY CAMPAIGN 2024

Earlier this year IPAF's head of safety and technical Brian Parker and Alana Paterson, the chairman of the IPAF International Safety Committee and head of health, safety & environment at contractor Taylor Woodrow, announced its 'Crushing Can Kill!' campaign. The federation's third Global Safety Campaign since Parker's appointment in 2020 aims to raise awareness of entrapment and crushing incidents involving aerial work platforms, in order to reduce the numerous fatalities and injuries which have occurred over the past decade. It stresses the importance of training, proper planning, and following safety protocols when operating aerial work platforms and using pedestrian control mode.

Over the past 10 years, reported entrapment incidents involving work platforms resulted in 118 fatalities, 16 major injuries and five minor injuries, mostly affecting operators, delivery drivers and technicians. In the last three years alone 68 percent of those fatalities involved mobile vertical lifts - scissor and mast type lifts - a significant shift from the previous data. However, IPAF says that it is encouraged by new protection solutions coming onto the market for these types of lifts.

The campaign identifies poor planning, inadequate training, complacency and equipment malfunctions as the most common causes of entrapment incidents. To reduce these risks, IPAF recommends task specific risk assessments, proper platform selection, operator training, and rehearsed rescue procedures.

IPAF has created new global guidance for all involved in work platform operations which is legislation neutral and therefore applicable worldwide, with the aim to standardise safety practices and support a new ISO standard. It has also introduced a Toolbox Talk on risks related to operating work platforms from ground controls and provided new guidance on safe pedestrian control use.

Speaking of the initiative Parker said: "Our aim is to give operators the knowledge and tools they need to navigate their work environments safely and confidently. By ensuring that this campaign resonates with those directly using the platform, we're taking an important step toward reducing and preventing entrapment and crushing related incidents."

IPAF urges industry participation and implementation of safety measures as well as the reporting of incidents to facilitate ongoing safety improvements.

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IPAF ELEVATION UK

IPAF Elevation UK will take place on 7th November at the Hilton Birmingham Metropole. In the afternoon, the conference will cover key trends in powered access under the theme 'Rising Together: Innovation, Education, and Sustainability' as well as the Women in Powered Access network session, themed 'Empower & Elevate' which is free to all IPAF members.

The evening will include a drinks reception and dinner, including a three course meal and a performance from comedian Scott Bennett. Tickets for the dinner are £168 including VAT and can be purchased by both IPAF members and non members. Accommodation is available at the Hilton for £180 including VAT.



MOVICARGA PEM AWARD FOR PETER DOUGLAS

At the Movicarga PEM Awards, held in Madrid last month, Peter Douglas, managing director of IPAF, received an award for his role in helping IPAF grow and adapt to the changing industry at an international level.

The Movicarga Awards are a popular and important event for the crane and access industry in Spain, bringing together a wide range of platform and crane rental companies. This year, IPAF's participation in the Eleva Alliance was highlighted, with Ainara Greño from IPAF presenting the Eleva Award.

Macarena Garcia Oliver, the magazine's owner and managing director said: "Since Peter took over IPAF, he has changed the organisation significantly, not only by expanding IPAF's global presence but also through his involvement in industry events. His experience with rental companies has been important in making IPAF more relevant every day. He takes time at every event to connect with members, listen to their concerns, and is always open to new ideas. He goes the extra mile to support both current members and those considering joining. This award is well deserved, and we are proud to present this PEM award to him from Movicarga magazine."



Macarena Garcia Oliver of Movicarga presents Peter Douglas with the PEM award