#SAFETYSCAPE is shaping up so quickly!

Dear Colleagues,

We’ve got the Human Factors and Ergonomics Society of Australia Inc. (HFESA) joining us at #SAFETYSCAPE with an event. The Risk Management Institute of Australasia (RMIA) looks like jumping on-board. The events are spreading to three days – starting with workshops on Tuesday 21st May, followed by ‘Avoiding Back to the Future’, a presentation from author and Emeritus Professor, Michael Quinlan at the Eric Wigglesworth AM Memorial Lecture – and welcome drinks.

The conference program is brilliant. Our Conference Dinner takes a different approach to our ‘Back to the Future’ theme with speaker Matt Peacock presenting a career in reflection from a journalist’s perspective, and we’ve got some awards to share.

The Executive Breakfast sees us talking with a panel of special guests about royal commissions and their impact on the health and safety profession.

The Working at Height Association (WAHA) is there, the National Electrical & Communications Association (NECA) will be presenting a feature on electrical safety, and the Workplace Health and Safety Show is getting bigger.

#SAFETYSCAPE is becoming what it can be. This is the last chance for early birds, so I hope you decide to be there.

Have a great week.

David Clarke, CEO

LATEST NEWS
2 critical questions OHS needs to ask to get the most out of AI and machine learning

There are two critical questions OHS professionals need to ask in order to design the right approach for applying artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning in order to deliver optimal functional and business outcomes, according to an expert in the area.

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The brain science behind why night owls have impaired on-the-job performance

“Night owls” – those who go to bed late and then get up later – have significantly lower functional connectivity in the brain, slower reaction times, increased sleepiness during working hours and may struggle with a standard 9am to 5pm day job compared to early risers, according to a new international study.

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Safety inspectors blitz construction sites on both sides of NSW/VIC border

WorkSafe Victoria and SafeWork NSW inspectors recently conducted a cross-border construction program blitz in the Albury

Queensland solar farms under safety spotlight after electrical burn/shock incidents

Workplace Health and Safety Queensland and Queensland’s Electrical Safety Office have
Wodonga region which focused on keeping young workers safe and reducing potentially deadly falls at work sites.

been auditing and investigating a number of solar farms across the state, following a number of incidents in which workers were injured as a result of electric shocks.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Visions Conference registration is now open!**

Registration for the 2019 Visions Conference is now open and the draft program for the conference is going live this week!

Visions 2019 provides the perfect opportunity to network with your peer group while experiencing contemporary and best-practice OHS solutions showcased by fellow safety professionals.

**Dr Eric Wigglesworth AM Memorial Lecture 2019**

The SIA invites you to attend the 2019 Dr Eric Wigglesworth AM Memorial Lecture on Tuesday 21st May at the Park Royal Hotel in Sydney’s Darling Harbour.

Presented by Emeritus Professor UNSW and author Michael Quinlan, this year’s lecture is titled: ‘Avoiding Back to the Future’. The presentation will focus on how
Take advantage of the opportunity to rub shoulders with a variety of specialist safety, academic, legal, medical, allied health and government professionals and ask all those tricky questions – you never know who you might be sitting next to in a workshop or at the conference functions!

For more information on the 2019 Visions, please visit - https://www.visions.org.au/

EVENT DETAILS
Date: 28 - 30 August 2019
Please note: A 1/2-day workshop will run on the 28 August. Conference sessions will be held over the 29-30 August,
Venue: Oaks Oasis Caloundra, 2 Landsborough Parade CALOUNDRA, QLD 4551
Cost: For all registration options please click here.
Hotel Bookings: To book your accommodation at Oaks Oasis Resort please click here.

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The Dr Eric Wigglesworth AM Memorial Lecture is presented in conjunction with the SIA's annual Education Awards and this year, the lecture coincides with the SIA National Health & Safety Conference.

Read more about this year’s presentation and register to join us here.

EVENT DETAILS
Date: Tuesday 21st May 2019
Time: 6.00pm – 8.30pm
Venue: Black Wattleroom, Park Royal Hotel, 150 Day Street, Sydney New South Wales 2000
Cost: SIA Member: $65+ GST | Non Members: $95+ GST

Includes: networking drinks & canapes.

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POLICY AND LEGISLATION

Safety alert issued following employee's foot amputation
WorkSafe Victoria recently issued a safety alert about the significant hazards and risks associated with working on dual car single

Safety warning issued following narrow precast wall panel collapse
Workplace Health and Safety Queensland recently issued a safety alert informing workers, employers, builders and designers of
mast personnel and materials hoists, after an incident which led to an employee losing his foot via amputation.

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the risk of sideways collapse of narrow concrete wall panels, following an incident in which a two-tonne pre-cast concrete wall panel fell sideways onto the floor of a high-rise building under construction.

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Black Dog Institute partners with NSW Government on mental health skills training

The Black Dog Institute has agreed to partner with the NSW Government in a program to provide mental health skills training to regionally-based workers.

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Safety warning over working in confined spaces

WorkSafe Victoria recently issued a safety alert about the dangers of working in confined spaces, following an incident in which an apprentice died while working in an open-ended tanker.

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INCIDENTS AND PROSECUTIONS NEWS
Thales Australia and Linfox Australia fined $360,000 after worker crushed by armoured vehicle

Defence contractors Thales Australia and Linfox Australia have been convicted and fined a total of $360,000 over an incident that severely injured a worker at a Brisbane Army barracks.

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Transport company fined $154,000 after worker killed by prime mover

A Victorian based transport and warehouse company has been fined $154,000 in the Darwin Local Court over the death of a 47-year-old Maningrida man in 2016.

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OneSteel Reinforcing fined $30,000 over metal bar bending machine amputation

National steel supply and fabrication company OneSteel Reinforcing has been fined $30,000 after a 28-year-old machine operator’s thumb was caught in a metal bar bending machine, and he was subsequently taken to hospital where his thumb was amputated.

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Food retailer fined $60,000 over several return-to-work offences

A company selling nuts, dried fruits and candies in Victorian shopping centres has been convicted and fined a total of $60,000 for seven return-to-work offences relating to an injured worker.

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