SAFETY MESSAGES - MAKING THEM STICK!

Dear Colleagues,

Why can everyone remember an urban legend, a rumor, or a story told over a couple of drinks, but walk out of a safety meeting and not remember the topics discussed that day?

This was the topic of much discussion at a recent SIA event, presented by Eldeen Pozniak, Past President for the Canadian Society of Safety Engineering.

The sold out event hosted in Melbourne by Herbert Smith Freehills, addressed the current challenges safety professionals face in ensuring the delivery and retention of successful safety messages and communication to promote change.

On behalf of the Institute I would personally like to thank Marilyn Hubner, Director of Build Up Research, for arranging the session and coordinating Eldeen to deliver a presentation which was insightful and no doubt resonated with all attendees.

If you missed out on this session, and are looking for other inspiring speakers or practical tools that you can use in your workplace, be sure to register for one of the Institute’s State Symposiums which will be running throughout September and October.

More information on the SIA symposiums can be found here.

Have a great week!

David Clarke, CEO
Why companies with IR and workforce trust issues should be concerned about ISO 45001

Whilst there are many subtle differences between ISO 18001, AS/NZS 4801 and ISO 45001, there are a number of key changes which will potentially impact organisations, particularly with regards to worker participation and consultation, leadership and commitment as well as outsourcing, according to Mario Machado, national practice leader – WHS for Aon Risk Solutions.

Machinery operators and drivers record highest fatality rate in 2017

Machinery operators and drivers had the highest fatality rate in 2017 at 7.1 fatalities per 100,000 workers, followed by labourers (4.6) and managers (1.7), according to Safe Work Australia's recently released Key Work Health and Safety Statistics Australia 2018.

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governance guidance

Current safety governance guidance available to Boards is limited and associated standards of reporting should be reviewed, according to an expert in risk management and mitigation.

In March 2017 Safe Work Australia commenced this process, and principle 9 provides limited frameworks which would be of benefit to Boards, said Jillian Hamilton, CEO of risk advisory firm Manage Damage.

during busy grain harvest

SafeWork SA recently called on farmers working through the upcoming grain harvest to make safety a priority in order to reduce injuries and avoid dangerous incidents.

Farm owners can manage the risks and hazards of their work by ensuring equipment is well-maintained, workers are trained for the task and that adequate rest breaks are provided so no-one works while fatigued.

Cast your vote - SIA Board of Directors 2018

Voting for the SIA Board of Directors is now open for financial members of the Safety Institute of Australia. Please note: Voting will close at 17:00 hours (5pm) (AEST) Thursday 13 September 2018.

The Directors completing their term in office (which is at the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting) are Ms Marissa Dreher, Ms Kelly Lovely and Mr Cameron Montgomery.

A complete list of nominees and their candidate statements can be found here.

How to place your vote?
Submit your vote online using SIA’s online voting portal. To access this portal please click here. (link is external)
Please note: when accessing this portal you will be required to confirm your Surname, Email Address and Post Code as contained in your SIA membership profile.
UPCOMING EVENTS

YSPspeak - From Awkward to Awesome

Don’t miss your chance to register for YSPspeak, the major national gathering of Young Safety Professionals in Australia. This year's Conference theme is: From Awkward to Awesome. By definition awkward is the opposite of awesome, but let’s begin by dispelling the belief that it’s either one or the other.

Work is awkward. People are awkward. Systems are awkward. Yet, every day we wade through the murky awkwardness to make sense of what it is we aim to achieve, toward awesome.

Date: Monday 24 September 2018
Time: 6.00 - 8.00 pm

CALL FOR SPEAKERS!
Victorian Safety Symposium: Digital Health and Safety

This is the final call for speakers and field trip hosts to nominate for participation in the 2019 Victorian Safety Symposium which will be held in Melbourne on 29-30 November. This year’s conference will explore the theme of ‘Digital Technology in Health and Safety’.

We are pleased to invite ‘expressions of interest’ from:

- OHS practitioners and professionals
- digital technology product and service providers
- academics and researchers
- digital technology training providers
INCIDENTS & PROSECUTIONS

**NSW: director fails to escape WHS liability by going on holiday**

A director who pleaded guilty to failing to comply with his duty under section 27(1) of the Work Health and Safety Act 2011 (NSW) was recently fined, despite his being on an annual leave holiday at the time an incident that led to the charge occurred.

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**WA: farm worker fatally crushed by tractor**

A bulldozer operator from Julatten in Queensland was recently killed while clearing foliage, after the dozer drove onto a log, causing the tracks to lose friction, and it rolled onto a steep slope, throwing him from the cage.

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QLD: operator thrown and killed in bulldozer rollover

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POLICY NEWS
Draft code targeting FIFO mental health open for second round of comment

WorkSafe WA is conducting a proactive inspection program to look at safety issues in workplaces where scientific testing and analysis is carried out.

Inspectors will be looking at safety issues in workplaces conducting non-destructive testing such as radiographic, ultrasonic, magnetic particle, liquid penetrant, electromagnetic and visual testing.

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QLD: education and enforcement campaign targeting vehicle loading cranes

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Inspection program looks at scientific

Roadblock exercises continue to
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measure compliance with fatigue laws

WorkSafe WA is conducting a series of roadblock exercises to assess levels of compliance with fatigue management and related laws, and recently participated in a joint roadblock operation undertaken by Main Roads WA.

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