Your invitation to be an active part of the work that we do

Dear Colleagues,

The SIA is your professional association. It is a community of people who share the common interests of the health and safety profession.

This community is a large group of people who are more than just consumers of our many services – they take on leadership roles and assist in directing what the Institute does in a variety of different ways. It is this community of people and their wonderful contributions over the past 70 years, that have made the SIA what it is today. We cannot succeed without them.

Members sometimes ask me how they can contribute, and I often ask in return...
“What would you like to contribute?” For some time, we have been preparing to widen the network and invite members to share in these leadership roles.

This is your invitation to be a more active participant of this community.

No matter your age, gender, or level of work experience or whether you’ve been involved in an SIA leadership role or not; as a member you have the right to get involved.

I can tell you from personal experience this sort of contribution can be very rewarding and is also a fantastic way to get value from your membership. Most of the people who contribute in this way will tell you they get more out of it than they put in. These aren’t just working groups, they are our core professional networks.

Per the link below, you are invited to fill out an expression of interest to participate in our work and there are many options available.

As I’m sure you’ll understand, we may not be able to give everyone the exact role they are seeking, but I have a long standing commitment to give those who wish to contribute, an opportunity to do so. And we will be working to meet that commitment.

Click here to take a look at what’s on the table.

Have a great week.

Regards,

David Clarke

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**NEWS & UPDATES**

**Management safety walks key to OHS success at Aggreko**

“Management safety walks” have played a key role in the OHS success of power supply multinational Aggreko, according to its AusPac QHSE manager, David Richards, who said that these walks are a demonstrable commitment of the business’ leadership to safe working practices.

Read more...

**Managers in small businesses more committed to OHS**

Immediate supervisors and managers are more committed to workplace safety in small organisations (91 per cent) compared to medium organisations (86 per cent), according to a recent Safe Work Australia research report.

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How to tackle chronic disease and mental health issues

Workplace hazards can influence the physical, mental and emotional reactions of workers who believe that their work demands exceed their abilities or resources to do the work, according to Workplace Health and Safety Queensland (WHSQ).

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POLICY NEWS

WA: Safety inspection program for airport operations

WorkSafe WA recently announced a proactive inspection program into safety and health issues in airport operations and other support services to air transport.

Read more...

QLD: Alert issued over mine truck driver safety

Queensland’s Department of Natural Resources and Mines recently issued a safety alert following an incident in which a driver was thrown from a cab in an articulated truck roll over.

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NSW: Safety warning issued following gas outburst

The NSW Resources Regulator’s acting chief inspector of mines recently issued a safety alert following two incidents involving gas outbursts at a colliery in Sydney.

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WA: Safety alert issued after fatal forklift incident

WorkSafe WA recently issued a safety alert following an incident in which an employee was fatally injured when the wooden box he was standing in overbalanced and fell on top of him.

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INCIDENTS & PROSECUTIONS

NSW: Engineering business fined $225,000 over worker’s death

A mechanical and engineering business in NSW has been fined $225,000 over the death of a worker at its Cobar
workshop in 2014.

**Read more...**

**WA: Tyre recycling company fined $80,000 over amputation of worker’s fingers**

A WA-based tyre recycling company in Welshpool has been fined $80,000 and ordered to pay $2013 in costs over an incident in which a worker’s fingers were amputated by a tyre shredder.

**Read more...**

**WA: Car dealership employee fined $9500 over fatality**

An employee of an Attadale car dealership in WA has been fined $9500.00 and ordered to pay $12,052.75 in costs over the death of a fellow worker at the dealership in 2013.

**Read more...**

**JHSRP call for submissions**

Do you have unique practical or academic insights that may be of value to the health & safety community? The *Journal of Health & Safety Research & Practice* is an S.I.A. publication that promotes evidence & knowledge-based OHS practice. The JHSRP is now accepting submissions for the next edition.

**Read more...**
Professional is an important benefit for SIA Members. To help us better understand how we can improve our member value proposition and deliver you the best possible OHS magazine, please complete the following survey:

START THE SURVEY

INDIVIDUAL SIA MEMBER LOGO
– BE A PROUD MEMBER!

You asked for it and we’ve responded! You can now access a digital SIA member logo that can be used as part of your e-signature. Please note that this is the only approved SIA member logo for use by individual members. Click HERE to download the logo (you will need to log in).

CORPORATE MEMBERSHIP

The Safety Institute of Australia Ltd has established a list of Corporate Membership categories with associated meaningful benefits to attract an expanded range of Corporate Members (Government and Private Sector corporations, organisations, companies and associations).

If your company is considering joining as a Corporate Member, please contact Membership Services on 03 8336 1995 to discuss the different options available, or click here to view the information on the website.

If your company is already a Corporate Member and you would like to be featured in the e-news, please contact Membership Services for further details. To view our current Corporate Members please click here.
BOOK NOW for Deepwater Horizon film screening & workshop:

**Investigative insights from BP’s Gulf of Mexico disaster**

The Safety Institute of Australia invites you to attend one of a series of Professional Development Workshops in February 2017. Hosted in Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide and Brisbane, each event features a screening of the movie *Deepwater Horizon*, followed by insightful presentations about the Gulf of Mexico oil rig incident, and its aftermath.

Guest speakers include:

- **Cheryl Mackenzie**, Investigator, *US Chemical Safety & Hazard Investigation Board*
  Cheryl was the Lead Investigator of the team which investigated the incident.
- **Peter Wilkinson**, General Manager, Risk, *Noetic Group*
  Peter was adviser to the investigation of the BP disaster in the Gulf of Mexico.

This Workshop is designed to:

- Identify key human errors and why they occurred;
- Describe the most significant cognitive biases that affected the decisions of those on the Deepwater Horizon rig and delayed the diagnosis of an incipient well event;
- Discuss how hindsight bias affects our view of incident causation;
- Explain the concept of the gap between ‘Work as imagined’ versus ‘Work as it is actually done’, and why this poses a significant threat to safe operations;
- Describe how “active monitoring” by supervisors at all levels is an essential tool in barrier management;
- Identify how organisations can move from identifying lessons to be learnt to implementing lessons in practice;
- Describe how BP’s priorities in workplace health and safety affected process safety management;
- Summarise the prevailing theories which underpin a good organisational culture.

Find Sydney event details [HERE](#).
Find Melbourne event details [HERE](#).
Find Adelaide event details [HERE](#).
Find Brisbane event details [HERE](#).

Have you considered OHS Professional Certification?

Ongoing professional development is a cornerstone of every long, rewarding career. Are you ready to take the next step on your career path? Have you considered
Our OHS Professional Certification program is offered to Members of the Safety Institute of Australia. SIA Certification sets rigorous standards of education, experience, demonstrated knowledge and skills, and evaluates applicants against those standards. It gives increased confidence and guidance to employers, clients, workers and the community as to the competence and standing of the person providing professional advice.

The assessment is based on a combination of formal qualifications, experience & capability. There are 5 categories of certification and each category contains specific criteria and requirements. To apply for certification, please follow the instructions outlined HERE.

To find out more about OHS Professional Certification and how it might benefit you in your career, visit our website or contact Marija on 03 8336 1995.

REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

‘Celebrating 25 Years of Safety, Learning and Friendship’

21-23 May 2017 | City Golf Club, Toowoomba
EARLY BIRD RATES AVAILABLE UNTIL 31 MARCH 2017

ANNOUNCEMENT OF SPEAKERS:

25th Annual OHS Visions Conference

The Safety Institute of Australia is pleased to announce the speaking line up for 25th Anniversary Visions Conference, which will be held on 21 – 23 May, 2017 at the Toowoomba City Golf Club.

The two-day conference program will feature a Safety Leadership Masterclass presented by Dr Drew Rae of Griffith University. The program will also showcase some of the Australia’s Health & Safety Industry leaders. Keynote presenters will include:

- Peter Marshall, Central Queensland University
- Keir Beck, Owner & Director of AP8 Action pact Stunts & Rigging, CEO of Live Action Training
- Associate Prof. Geoff Dell, Central Queensland University
- Allan Girle, Partner, HWL Ebsworth
- Tim Gilchrist, Client Partner at GCG Health Safety & Hygiene
- Michelle Oberg, Griffith University
- Jamie McPherson, Workplace Health and Safety Partner at Kaden Boriss Brisbane
Aaron Anderson, Partner, Norton Rose Fulbright Lawyers

Register today for Early Bird Pricing and join us in celebrating the 25th Annual Visions Conference.

For more information about the 2017 Visions Conference Program please visit the conference website.

CONFERENCES & EVENTS

15 Feb  SIA SA - GHS / Chemical Safety Workshop
16 Feb  SIA Brisbane - Workplace Investigations
20 Feb  NSW: Deepwater Horizon Screening & Workshop
21 Feb  VIC: Deepwater Horizon Screening & Workshop
22-24 Feb  WA: AOG Conference
23 Feb  SA: Deepwater Horizon Screening & Workshop
24 Feb  QLD: Deepwater Horizon Screening & Workshop
01 Mar  WA - The Great Debate: Only Zero Harm is Acceptable

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