



IPAF POWERED ACCESS 2011 EDITORIAL SYNOPSIS

Foreword

IPAF managing director, Tim Whiteman, looks at what's important for today's industry.

UK News

A round up of all the latest developments in powered access.

The Big Debate

A round-table discussion with health and safety experts and major contractors on the rare but dangerous incidents of trapping and crushing when MEWPs are used in confined overhead spaces. With an in-depth look at the Best Practice Guidance recently released by the Strategic Forum for Construction Plant Safety Group.

Profile

Steve Shaughnessy, the current IPAF President, talks about his take on the industry.

Selecting MEWPs

How can, and should, rental companies do more to help users select the right machine for the job.

The wider potential for powered access use

The traditional market of construction and related industries is rapidly being expanded with growing use in other sectors including agriculture, utilities, aircraft maintenance and plant and process industries. A selection of interesting applications to the varied requirements of customers' work at height needs.

Rescue strategies

Platform users can and do get incapacitated, injured or trapped at height. Safety measures need to include a planned procedure for rescue.

Familiarisation and training

Who is responsible for familiarisation and what is the legal position? What is covered in the MEWPs for Managers course?

Using spreader pads and outriggers

Developing the UK Hire Committee campaign for their correct use and examining best practice.

The growing use of MCWPs

Mast climbing work platforms are becoming an increasingly attractive proposition for many construction, maintenance and refurbishment projects. Case studies analyse how they can increase productivity and provide guidance on their safe use.

The PAL Card - going smart

Security and fraud prevention has always been a central issue for the PAL Card. Smart card technology has the potential to improve on this even further and deliver extra benefits.

IPAF member benefits

In addition to giving members an influential voice in the industry and with regulators and legislators, IPAF membership brings many practical benefits. Find out more.

Plus:

International news, directories and useful contact information.