

Wednesday 4th February, 2.15pm – 4.15pm

Lecture Room 3 (LR3). 1st Floor, New Arts Building, College Road

‘Working at Heights’ – the Facts and the Fiction

Mr Gary Martin

Health and Safety Executive

THE SPEAKER

Gary is a long standing and well respected HSE Inspector, based at the Wrexham office, and is known for his wealth of understanding of health and safety law and practical approaches to workplace precautions.

THE TALK

Since 2005 specific legislation has been in place covering working at heights; but what does it mean and does it really ban the use of ladders?

Gary's Talk will offer an insight into HSE thinking on working at heights and deal with practical aspects of how employers can continue to do their work whilst staying the right side of the law.

His Talk will consider such things as the use of:

- Crawl Boards
- Ladders
- Access Platforms

Also, Gary will use case studies and examples from industry; examples that should not only squash the 'myths' but also inform on recent initiatives and thinking.

WORKING AT HEIGHTS

Falls from height remain the most common cause of workplace fatality, with between half and two thirds occurring in the construction industry.

During 2007 / 08 there was 229 workplace fatalities, with 58 caused by falls from height, an increase of 12% on the 2006 / 07. In addition, falls account for 48% of all fatal injuries to the self-employed. A majority of major injuries amongst employees are also as a result of falls, with 3,235 (12%) in 2007 / 08.

MORE INFORMATION

For further information on the legislation and advice visit:

- www.hse.gov.uk/falls/
- www.hse.gov.uk/shatteredlives
- www.hse.gov.uk/falls/solutions
- www.hse.gov.uk/falls/ladderexchange

We look forward to seeing you at the Talk.

Refreshments will be provided from 2.15pm. Talk starts at 2.30pm.

VENUE FOR 4TH FEBRUARY 2009

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The University is signposted from the A5/55 Expressway. A location map for the building can be found via the University's Homepage on: www.bangor.ac.uk. See: www.eng.bangor.ac.uk/LocationMap.pdf Main Building, Location 42.

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FURTHER INFORMATION

For further Information on the Group please contact Bangor University 'Health and Safety Services' on 01248 383847. A warm welcome is extended to all with an interest in this subject, non-members especially welcomed.



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