"Promoting awareness of Health, Safety and Environmental initiatives to local businesses"

2014 – 2015 Seminars

20th August 2014

CPC Driving Training

17th September 2014

Waste Management & Waste Minimisation

22nd October 2014

Ken Woodward DVD
"Hindsight" + a
guest who was part
of the investigation

19th November 2014 DSEAR – Fire and Explosive Risks

18th February 2015 HSE and Legal Update

18th March 2015 Mock Trial

15th April 2015 AGM



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17th Sept 14 – Waste Management / Minimisation- Review

Roy Sevier (MandM Direct) opened the seminar by explaining how the company dealt with vast quantities of cardboard and plastics as well as general waste. From the beginning, MandM understood that for the recycling initiative to be ultimately successful, the staff 'buying into' the recycling idea by way of information and training was the key. This led to the development of a programme aimed at the training of line management and supervision to oversee recycling in their own departments as well training specific persons in the use a baling machine. Once established the staff were praised for their efforts by way of notices and team briefings.

3 years on, MandM Direct now recycles 97% of its business waste and this is very much managed by the staff themselves, who not only bought into the idea of recycling but even police themselves with far less management time required.



Chris Jones (Cory Environmental Ltd) followed on after a short break explaining what WISH was, it's involvement with Government agencies and it's future in not only the U.K, but in the E.U.

Accident rates in the waste industry have always been one of the HSE's top priorities and WISH supports the HSE and Environment Agency by writing guidance to the waste industry. This lead on to a discussion on the perception the general public have regarding waste and those that deal with its removal. Startlingly it was revealed that corpses turn up infrequently at recycling plants due to homeless persons seek shelter in external skips......

Chris ended the seminar with an invitation to discuss duty of care, RDF, SRF and waste fires.

Both presentations can be viewed in the members section of the website by following this link (removed for public access)

Next Seminar – The Ken Woodward Story "Hindsight" + Special Guest



22nd October 2014 – Royal National College for the Blind. Hereford.

Who is Ken Woodward?

The world's most inspiring speaker

"In a horrifying workplace accident, Ken Woodward lost his eyesight as well as his sense of taste and smell. It left his family devastated and his colleagues traumatised. Like all accidents, it could have been prevented. From that moment on he was determined to do all he could to make sure it didn't happen to anyone else.

Since then, his dedication towards creating positive safety cultures and setting new standards has improved the working lives of thousands of people and changed the way hundreds of organisations operate. Over the last decade he has become a globally recognised figure, providing people with the awareness, mindset and confidence to comfortably approach occupational safety issues with a fresh perspective.

Astonishingly, in one year alone, he made 112 flights, 19 overseas trips and 285 presentations to stop others being hurt".

*extracted from the Ken Woodward website www.kenwoodward.co.uk

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