

SDIA NEWS

Issue 3

Standards Check Workshop

Hi all just a quick overview of the standards check workshop run by Jane Holt on Thursday 16th July in Waterloooville.

A very informative and thought provoking evening, well supported with 20 members joining in the discussions. We discussed various topics from completing our own learning styles using a VAK self assessment questionnaire, reflective logs and the DIA essential guide to the National standards and the standards check. Also looking at how they all linked through the the SC form and cross referencing into the national standards, heavy reading but as it says essential!!

Jane admitted that she was no authority on the SC but the evening ran very smooth with lots of reading to do and she knew what she was talking about, the evening was well facilitated, so I think I speak for all of us who attended, well done Jane and thank you, we look forward to following this up with maybe some in car practise - Nigel Hocking

SDIA CPD Event Tuesday 11th August 7-9.30pm Wickham Community Centre

Our next CPD event is on the horizon. We are very fortunate to have Vicky Lovell from Arrive Alive as our guest speaker. She comes with 29 years of experience in the industry. Vicky will be delivering a talk about rehabilitation for victims, witnesses and drivers after serious and fatal collisions. This should be a very interesting and thought provoking evening. This will be very useful for our pupils who need extra help with confidence issues.



Safe Drive Stay Alive (SDSA) 2015

A hard-hitting theatre performance that revolves around a film about young people in vehicles and a tragic ending. As the story progresses, the film stops at various points and members of the emergency services, bereaving parents and young people who have been injured as a result of a car crash, talk about their experience of collisions.

The Hampshire dates for this year are: Wednesday 18th November 2015 – Kings Community Church, Hedge End – 10:30am and 1:00pm HCC is subsidising both the cost of travel for any students to attend and the £1 per seat allocation also. So only time out of college or 6th form is the issue.



Driver & Vehicle Standards Agency

Southampton Maybush: take part in the practical driving test trial

DVSA is looking for approved driving instructors (ADIs) who use Southampton Maybush test centre to take part in the trial of a new version of the driving test.

This test centre has now been added to the list of those centres trialling the new practical test. Candidates who take a new version of the driving test will:

use a satellite navigation system

carry out different manoeuvres

answer 'show me tell me' questions whilst on the move

Interested to find out more?

DVSA will be giving an hour long presentation at the Grand Harbour Hotel in Southampton on Wednesday 29 July. This will include what the trial involves and how you can take part.

The first presentation will start at 5pm and will be repeated at 7pm.

SDIA Fundraising Update

On Saturday 27th June 'The Rainbow Centre' held a 25 year anniversary celebration. Jane and Frances represented SDIA and presented a cheque for £8000, the sum that we have raised so far. This was very much appreciated and hopefully will go a long way to help children like Charlie (seen in the photo held by his dad Steve Bonnick). Thank you to all who have supported this great charity.



DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

It may seem strange while we are enjoying our summer but plans are already being made for Christmas. After a very successful evening last year we are hoping to repeat the 'Christmas SDIA Do' at The Seagull in Portchester this year. Make sure you save the date in your diary!!!!

Saturday 28th November

We hope that by giving plenty of notice and bringing the date slightly forward this year more of our members will be able to attend. More details will be available nearer the date once the venue have finalised their Christmas details. Put it in your diary and hopefully we can make this the best Christmas Do yet!!

JUST FOR FUN!!!

This was a text that Nigel Hocking received recently and his reply - hilarious

Desmond Hinks:

Hello there, I haven't spoken to you before so I hope you don't mind me getting in touch. I'm a writer from Chester and I'm currently planning a World Record Attempt for the fastest time to watch a football match at every stadium in England. (Yes, I really am!) I'm going to be writing about the adventure on a dedicated website which through my contacts will be featured extensively in the media. The website will focus on football and travel so I'll be spending a day in Portsmouth as well as watching a match at Fratton Park. The cost of attempting this world record is going to be quite high as you can imagine so I am looking for sponsors to support me. Would you be willing to make a small donation of £20 and I will include an advert for you in my article on Portsmouth, which is guaranteed to be seen by thousands of people? Kind regards, Desmond Hinks

Nigel's reply

Hello Desmond thank you so much for selecting me to sponsor you for a small donation of £20 to assist you in your forthcoming world record attempt. I am also looking for sponsors in my Guinness world record attempt at becoming the first person to balance broken egg shells on the tip of a ball point pen whilst standing on one leg at the top of Niagara falls, on a Tuesday morning. For this small feat of human engineering I am only looking for £300 per person, for this sum you will get a t-shirt with a picture of me in my world record attempt. I hope to make the journey some time this month so if you would be kind enough to contact me with your bank details, sort code and account number and also your pin I would be so humbly grateful. I would also appreciate your home address, when you will be away from home (watching football) and where you would leave a spare key. I look forward to hearing from you, best regards Ivan.

Desmond:

I'll take that as a no :-)

