

01 August 2012

Dear Member

APIL EAST ANGLIA REGIONAL GROUP AN INVITATION

We would like to invite you to attend the forthcoming East Anglia regional group meeting which is taking place at the Best Western Cambridge Quay Mill Hotel:

Date: Monday, 8 October 2012

Time: 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Venue: Best Western Cambridge Quay Mill Hotel
Church Road, Stow-cum-Quy, Cambridge, CB25 9AF

We are pleased to welcome **Steve Edwards** who will be speaking at the meeting. Please see the enclosed flyer for further details, topics and how to register.

This meeting has been accredited with 1CPD hour, reference 2027/APIL. Established practising barristers can count this 1 hour towards their unaccredited CPD allowance.

If you have not yet been to an APIL East Anglia regional group meeting, please do try to attend as they are an invaluable source of information and an excellent chance to network. There is a small charge for attendance for this meeting £15.00 + VAT. Members wishing to bring along a guest may do so at the cost of £30.00 + VAT per guest. Each guest must be sympathetic to the aims of the association and considering taking up membership themselves. Numbers are limited and therefore members will take precedence.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Yours sincerely

Hannah Rutterford
Co-ordinator

Mick Upton
Secretary

APIL EAST ANGLIA REGIONAL GROUP
MONDAY, 8 OCTOBER 2012

“Collision Investigation – one anorak fits all”

Speaker:

By Steve Edwards, Accident Reconstruction Expert

Steve joined Cambridgeshire Constabulary in July 1982 and in 1987 moved from general patrol duties to the Road Policing Unit.

Steve spent four years on traffic patrol duties and in 1991 specialised in the investigation and reconstruction of road traffic collisions. This has been Steve's primary role for the last 21 years.

Steve is a Class 1 advanced Police driver and holds a full motorcycle licence.

Steve holds various qualifications, which include:

- City and Guilds Certificate in Road Accident Investigation for Police Officers.
- City and Guilds Certificate in Drivers Hours Recording Equipment Level 2.
- Digital Tachograph (Police Officers)
- BTEC Certificate Motor Vehicle Inspection Heavy Vehicles.
- Higher National Diploma in Mechanical Engineering.

Prior to joining the Police Steve was an engineering officer in the Merchant navy. Steve has been trained in a variety of specialist Collision Investigation related subjects which include:-

- Ed Crash profiling and measurement (Crush analysis)
- Michelin Tyre Course
- Goodyear Tyre course.
- ABS (Anti Lock Braking) Systems.
- Airbag and Supplementary Restraint Systems (SRS).
- Handling and dynamics course.
- Electronic Chassis Control .
- Siemens UDS science software (Incident data recorder data analysis).
- Basic/Advanced Diagramming and animation W/total station (visual statement FX3)
- Geodimeter 600, Trimble 5600, Trimble S6 and Trimble R8(GPS) total station measuring equipment (Scene survey equipment, technique and associated software).

Steve is a tier 2 level trained interviewer for both suspect and witness.

PIP(Professionalising the Investigation Process) level 2 accredited investigator.

In March 2002 Steve was appointed Cambridgeshire Constabulary's Senior Collision Investigator. As Senior Collision Investigator, as well as investigating collisions that he attended, Steve is responsible for the quality control of all forensic collision investigation files within Cambridgeshire Constabulary. Steve is adept at identifying any weakness in a case that may be exploited and put in place actions to ensure that all angles are covered. Steve prides himself on being able to think outside the box and provide imaginative solutions to problems.

As part of Steve's role he also allocated the more sensitive investigations which involve Police officers and assist the Professional Standards Department with any road related complaints.

Steve is one of two trained officers in the force who are able to analyse police vehicle data recorder evidence and has provided expert reports in relation to this for court and internal use.

Steve has received numerous commendations and citations for his work.

Steve regularly presents lectures concerning his own work and that of the Collision Investigation Unit to a variety of audiences including Crown Prosecution Service, Schools, BASICs and recently to members of the Chartered Institute Highways and Transportation.

Steve has developed and delivered training courses in his field of expertise to Road Policing Officers, Student Officers, Fire and Rescue Service, Ambulance Service and interpreters.

Steve was recently asked to revamp the 'football match' briefing package. The new format has now been adopted as a standard template across the force.

Steve was responsible for the introduction of the current report format in Cambridgeshire.

Steve keeps abreast of new legislation, laws and technology.

Steve has been accepted as an expert witness during Court proceedings in all levels of Court working on both Civil and Criminal cases.

In the course of Steve's work he has gained experience of a wide variety of investigations which include:-

Road deaths abroad (Eritrea, Florida, Italy and Spain) investigated on behalf of H.M Coroner.

- Work on behalf of the RAF in relation to collisions that occurred in Naples and the United Kingdom.
- Investigation of instances of alleged 'cash for crash' collisions.
- Cold case reviews of investigations.
- Crime scene work where a vehicle has been used as a weapon.
- Crime scene surveys – the most notable being the deposition site for the Soham murders.
- Work on behalf of the Health and Safety Executive.

Collision investigation is a highly specialised field and having a broad spectrum of experience is invaluable when making assessment of any available evidence. Steve is realistic with regard to what can be done within an investigation and works to achievable time scales. Steve has always adopted an honest open view when communicating with those involved.

Steve is aware of the impact that these life changing events have on all concerned and has always strived to provide the best service possible.

FOLLOWED BY:

Victoria Mortimer-Harvey, APIL EC Officer who will be speaking on: "Current EC activities within APIL"

Chaired by:

Hannah Rutterford, AshtonKCJ, APIL East Anglia regional co-ordinator
Mick Upton, Taylor Vinters, APIL East Anglia regional secretary

Teas, coffees and a buffet will be served. There is a small charge for attendance for this meeting £15.00 + VAT. Members wishing to bring along a guest may do so at the cost of £30.00 + VAT per guest. Please complete the slip below and return it to the APIL office.

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Please reserve a place at the above meeting for:

Name: Membership number:

Firm/chambers:

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