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OCTOBER – HEALTH & SAFETY NEWSLETTER

With all this doom and gloom and “Have we any savings left?” I fully expected that construction would have ground to a halt by now, shops shutting up, factories closing and transport remaining in the parking areas – and, surprise, surprise, it is!!

Not nearly as bad as the media make out – but whatever the ‘oh so truthful Politicians!’ tell us – we are well and truly into a full blown recession – and cloth must be cut and **overheads** trimmed!

But don’t cut out your safety measures!

The Law is still in force and active – mess up and you are deep in the pool!

Keep the two golden words in mind as you tour your work area: “Common” and “Sense” and keep enforcing safety at your work by example, by training and by education!



Whatever you do – don’t ‘Cut Corners’!

This professional wrestler of pianos would not be risking death (and a broken piano!) if he had strapped it securely before the lift out – without him on board of course!

Fat chance of him working out of recession!

Some alternative meanings for common words:

Coffee.	n. The person who is coughed upon
Flabbergasted.	adj. appalled by discovering how much weight one has gained
Abdicate.	v. To give up hope of ever having a flat stomach
Esplanade	v. To attempt an explanation whilst drunk
Willy-nilly	adj. impotent

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Negligent
Lymph
Pratt

adj. absent mindedly answering the door whilst wearing only a night dress
v. To walk with a lisp
n. The guys I'm forever having to stop their work through their thoughtlessness!



I don't know about you but I'd rather be the fellow at the top, leaning on the shuttering, than be the guy on the deck below!

With the added weight of a full load of cement – I'd give the collapse a probability of 100%

I know that in a recession everything – savings, values, quality of life - goes downwards, but no need to accelerate the process!

Idiots!

....Not just the good ol' demolition and construction gangs who keep forgetting the two golden words either – observe the following dedicated young lady:



“Imminent Spillage – Aisle number 6!!”

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I realise that I bore you all with my hatred of ladders and of step ladders – bashing on about them because I've seen so many accidents resulting from their 'mis-use' - including myself, once, when a ladder slid from under me – no tie in and no 'footing' = 2 days off work and very lucky just to sport bruises and a sprained ankle! – but even I would not want to put wheels on a climbing 'device' and yet expect it not to move from under me!!

SENSE – COMMON

Test: rearrange into a well known phrase or saying!!!

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A reminder to all our retained clients – you have access via a log in and a password to our **MEMBERS PAGES** – here you will find information on chemical handling, advise on health and safety regulations and Law, generic risk assessments for your use and adaptation, sample work method statements and much, much more!

This is a major part of our continuing back up service to you – please make good use of the information!

For our readers and friends who wish to also access these information and advise sections please make contact and, for an annual fee, you too will be drinking from the well of knowledge!!

Continuing our '**DON'T ASSUME**' campaign – this in from a mate made me smile:

A group of primary school infants, accompanied by two female teachers, went on a field trip to Cheltenham races to see and learn about thoroughbred horses.

When it was time to take the children to the toilet, it was decided that the girls would go with one teacher and the boys would go with the other.

The teacher assigned to the boys was waiting outside the men's toilet when one of the boys came out and told her that none of them could reach the urinal.

Having no choice, she went inside, helped the boys with their pants, and began hoisting the boys up, one by one, holding their willies to direct the flow away from their clothes.

As she lifted one, she couldn't help but notice that he was unusually well endowed. Trying not to show that she was staring, the teacher said, 'You must be in year four.'

'No, madam,' he replied. 'I'm riding Silver Arrow in the 2.15.'

Take care, THINK

And of course

Be Safe!

(and Sod the Recession!)

Jerry

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