

NEWS IN BRIEF: AUGUST 2008

LAUNCH OF NEW MEMBERSHIP GRADES

As promised, Syl is launching two new categories of membership with effect from 1st September 2008 – student membership and graduate membership.

To qualify for **student membership**, an applicant must be studying on a course which leads to a recognised security-related qualification, or on an approved course. A list of these is being prepared to be posted on Professional Development at www.security-institute.org.

Student membership is first being launched at Portsmouth and Southampton universities, with Leicester, Loughborough, Bucks New, and Canterbury to follow. Student membership is offered at just £50 per year (no joining fee) for part-time students and £30 for full-time students, renewable annually for the duration of their study period. Applicants should complete the normal Application Form, and get it counter-signed by their tutor. It will be reviewed (not validated) by the Validation Board before student membership is confirmed. Once proof of the qualification is achieved, students may apply for regrading.

Student members will not have any post-nominals, but will be welcome to attend Syl events, and we will be encouraging them to join our mentoring scheme for career support and to get some practical, “on-the-job” feedback from members. This offer is also open to existing Syl members, to either mentor or be mentored. Contact **Mike Bluestone** on mike@ciaexcel.com for further information. Students will not be able to vote on Syl matters, and will not have access to Hear4U support provided by the Worshipful Company of Security Professionals.

We are also offering **graduate membership** for anyone with a first degree but less than 5 years security work experience. A joining fee of £95 plus an annual subscription fee of £100 will be applicable, and the standard application form will be used. Those successful will be able to use GradSyl, and be able to access the full range of member benefits.

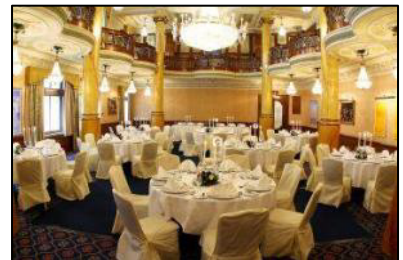
Visit www.security-institute.org/How-to-Join/11/Grades_of_Membership.html for further details.

WHAT? A BALL? – WHAT A BLAST!

The Syl Annual Ball will be held at the Jolly St Ermin Hotel, Caxton Street, London on Saturday 22 November this year. Bookings are open from 1st – 30th September.

Single tickets for the dinner (including wine) and the dance are £65, double ticket £120, and tables of ten £575. We have a reduced rate for overnight accommodation with breakfast: £139 double and £125 single, to be booked separately.

If anyone would like to sponsor the event or donate a raffle prize, please contact Donna Alexander on donna.alexander@advancesecurity.co.uk or Patricia Knight on patricia@receptors.co.uk



WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

The following were successfully admitted as members following validation at the end of July:

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Congratulations also to Darrell Barber, who was revalidated as a Fellow of the Security Institute.

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FREE BUSINESS SEMINARS

From SO15: The Counter Terrorism Section of the Metropolitan Police Counter Terrorism Command (SO15), annually hosts a business seminar for 'key' members of the National Business Community. They have offered the Security Institute four places at this year's seminar, which will be held in October on Friday 17th (start 4pm) and Saturday 18th (end 4pm) at a hotel situated in the home counties, close to London. The cost of the seminar, accommodation and food is included in this generous offer.

Attendance is limited to Syl members employed by larger companies or organisations, *and this is out of the control of SO15 and/or Syl*. If you are interested in attending, please contact di@security-institute.org as soon as possible. If more than 4 members wish to attend, names will be drawn on 12th September, and successful applicants notified immediately.

From Oxford Business Link: Operation Ostrich is being run across Oxfordshire as a workshop to promote the importance of Business Continuity to all types of business large and small and to all professions. Operation Ostrich explains what Business Continuity Planning is, how it provides resilience and why it is relevant to your business. It provides with guidelines on writing a basic continuity plan. Imagine what you would do if you were denied access to your premises? Now try to imagine it in a stress situation? The session will take the form of a walk through exercise of an escalating scenario and is designed to be informative and fun. The events are being held in Banbury, Bicester, Oxford, Witney and Wallingford from the 15th to the 19th September 2008. It is free and relevant to ANY business, large or small! <http://www.operationostrich.info>.

NEWS FROM OTHER ORGANISATIONS

South African Institute of Security – Terry Scallan was elected as Chairman on 22nd August. **Geoff Whitfield FSyl** told him "I am absolutely sure that the SAIS will prosper and move on to even greater things under your leadership. Great news!"

The **Security Industry Authority (SIA)** is inviting the private security industry, industrial, commercial and government sectors to complete a questionnaire about in-house licensing. This is part of the SIA's broad based study to discuss the potential for licensing in-house security operatives, prior to making a recommendation to Ministers on the way forward. To complete the questionnaire, please visit www.the-sia.org.uk/in-house and return it to the SIA by 30.09.2008.



Syl is supporting the **Security Vision Roadshow** when it reaches the Ricoh Stadium, Coventry on 16th September. It includes a trade exhibition and seminars, and the organizers promise fresh ideas and ways to keep up to date on changes within the industry. To read more, and book seminar places, go to www.forwardevents.co.uk/securityvision/index.php

Opportunity Nigeria - Angus Darroch-Warren MSyl of Linx International gave a presentation on Syl to Opportunity Nigeria in July. He says "It seemed to be well-received by the delegates, who understood the need for collaboration with UK based organisations, such as the Institute, to bring credibility to security training provision in the country and to improve standards."

Safer Doors Conference – IMPORTANT – Change of Date. This year's "Safer Doors Conference" at the Bridlington Spa Royal Hall in East Yorkshire has changed from 15.10.08 to THURSDAY 6th NOVEMBER. See www.safer-doors.co.uk

DISCOUNTS & SPECIAL OFFERS

Please quote your membership number when booking.

- ★ Perpetuity Conference 6th & 7th Nov "The Malicious Exploitation of Information Systems: Countering the Rise of the Insider Threat". It looks at the deliberate and malicious exploitation of company information systems, providing new insights on sabotage, profiling offenders, the psychology of offenders, the role of forensics, design and human factors, and the role of technology in detection and prevention, plus views from finance, retail and Government. Venue: University College, London. Fee: £350 2 days/£200 1 day. Syl members can claim a 10% discount if they book quoting Syl-0607. See www.perpetuityconferences.com to download a programme and booking form.
- ★ Security Oracle are offering a special "2 for 1" deal to celebrate moving offices (it must be all the rage!). Quote SH1AUG08 when booking with steveh@securityoracle.com
- ★ Syl Fellow Michael Foyne, of Microsoft, is looking to recruit a Full-time Contractor as Education & Awareness Coordinator, based at the Microsoft Campus in Reading. Anyone interested should contact him on mfoynes@microsoft.com

