

NEWS IN BRIEF: MARCH 2008



RAISING OUR PROFILE

Several people have asked how they can show they are members of the Security Institute, and we are pleased to offer the Supporters Logo in various formats for use on websites, business & V-cards, and general promotional material. CDs are now being sent out once we receive your completed Registration Form – see our [website](#) for further info. Don't forget, there are Institute ties available too.

SYI MERGER PROGRESS

After the delay in reprinting our stock, replacement membership certificates are in the process of being posted to all former IISec members. Work continues on the redesign of the ID badge, and we plan to update you on this next month.

All Finances have now been transferred to Di Thomas, who will continue to run the former IISec bank accounts until all late-payments for 2008 subscriptions have been resolved. If you fall into this category – and 73 people do! – Please pay in April so that we can move forward.

As promised, here is a list of the consolidated Committees that have been set up by Syl. Several of them are looking for new members – please visit the website to read what's involved if you're [thinking of volunteering](#). We are particularly keen to hear from those with academic background and/or experience to join the Validation Board.

- ❖ **Validation Board** (chaired by Doug Cook) handles all applications for membership, including Students, especially those successful in passing their Certificate in Security Management examination who automatically qualify for Associate membership (as a minimum, subject to application & vetting).
- ❖ **Academic Board** (chaired by Dr Mark Button) provides the link between Syl and Higher Education Institutions, whilst also undertaking research and further developing Syl's own qualifications, and championing Continuous Professional Development.
- ❖ **Mentoring** (led by Mike Bluestone) will be leading a new programme to provide a structured mentoring programme to support those newly launched into a career in security, including students. More to follow on this next month.
- ❖ **Events Committee** (chaired by Patricia Knight) is planning events across the UK, many of which are free for members. New events for 2008 will include a major conference and exhibition in June.
- ❖ **International Development** (led by Peter Jones) continues to support the East/West Conferences, and respond to the growing list of requests for partnership and joint initiatives with other reputable security organisations worldwide.
- ❖ **Recruitment & Retention Committee** (chaired by Stuart Lowden) is looking at ways to better engage our membership, by improvements to the range of member benefits, and also to increase member levels.

FUTURE EVENTS FOR THE SECURITY INSTITUTE

We are currently taking bookings for the following events - book ONLINE for free to attend events, and use booking forms for chargeable events, available on our [website](#)

10 th April	Security Institute AGM 2pm, Guest Speakers 3pm
10 th April	Annual Dinner 7pm, Copthorne Tara Hotel, Kensington, London. £70 per head. 10 tickets left.
24 th April	Members Evening ~ "Vehicle Borne Threats", 6pm, Victory Services Club, London
14 th May	Members Evening ~ "Preparations for 2010 World Cup in South Africa", 6pm, Birmingham

Bookings will open in the next few days for:

21 st May	Members Half-Day Seminar, Victory Services Club, London. £95 per head
5 th June	Annual Lunch, PS Dixie Queen. £75 per head. Reductions for tables of 6 or 10
24 th /25 th June	Annual Conference & Exhibition, Met Office, Exeter. £249 per head



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We will also be preparing for our exhibition stand at IFSEC from 12th – 15th May, and will be asking for volunteers to help. We have been offered a great discount off the IFSEC Conference (a new event for 2008) and details will be emailed shortly.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

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

Associate

Rowland Stone, Tyler Security, TylerSecurity@ntlworld.com

Colin Gulliver, AWE, Colin.Gulliver@awe.co.uk

Member

Andrew Smith, AIS Info Sec, andy@aisinfosec.com

Richard Eastwood, Atlantic Inertial Systems, richard.eastwood@atlanticinertialsystem.com

David BaMaung, Strathclyde Police, David.Bamaung@strathclyde.pnn.police.uk

Christopher Meager, Security Management Resources, chris.meager@smrgrp.com

Fellow

Ian Carter, Metropolitan Police, ian.carter@met.police.uk

The following members applied for and were successful in being regraded, and we congratulate them on their success.

Roderick Stobie, Enterprise is now a **Member** of the Security Institute

Adrian Brewster, Virgin Media Group is now a **Member** of the Security Institute

And finally, the following new **Members** have joined as a result of successfully completing the Certificate and/or Diploma in Security Management:

Ian Mitchell MSyl (Dip), G4S Security Services, ianmitchell2003@yahoo.co.uk

Jitbahadur Tamang MSyl (Dip), Wilson James Ltd, psg99@hotmail.com

Mark Edmonds MSyl (Cert), MoD, edmonds.family@fsmail.net

Christopher Humphries MSyl (Cert), Lorne Stewart plc, outdoorsman_66@hotmail.com

Zachary Chebii MSyl (Dip), Department of Defence (Kenya), zkchebii@yahoo.com

OTHER NEWS

A Cabinet Office questionnaire is looking at how local communities, the police, local criminal justice agencies and others can best work together to reduce crime, and raise community confidence. Read more at www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/crime



Geoff Whitfield, the speaker from the UK, being presented with his Certificate by Francois Marais, flanked by Terry Scallan [left] and Errol Peace [right]

As part of developing International links, Geoff Whitfield visited the South African Institute of Security and spoke at their AGM in Johannesburg in February. We are about to undertake a benchmarking exercise with SAIS to compare their validation process with our own. If you are a Syl Associate or Member, and would like to participate in this comparison, please contact Bill Wyllie on Chairman@security-institute.org.

We send our congratulations to SAIS who just celebrated their 30th Anniversary – 21 years ahead of us!

DISCOUNTS & SPECIAL OFFERS *Please quote your membership number when booking.*

Syl has recently had to change its printer, and has been left with several printer cartridges that don't fit the new machine. If you can make use of them – HP 338 (Black) and HP 344 (Tricolour), please contact Di. Whilst the inner wrapper is intact, the outer box has been removed, so they can't be returned to the supplier.

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