

IMFORMATION



INSTITUTE OF MATERIALS FINISHING



To celebrate our 90 years, the Management Board have proposed a Diner and Dance, this Black Tie affair to be held on Friday 9th October 2015 at Manor Hotel, Meriden

To reserve your place, please send your name(s) with a non returnable fee of £10 per person to Helen at the IMF Exeter House. Overnight accommodation is available at the hotel.



The End of a Close Association

The Birmingham Medical Institute (BMI) will be closing at the end of October due to the end of the Building's lease.

We first became involved with the BMI through our Midland Branch when they moved their Tuesday evening monthly technical meetings from the 'pub' on the corner of Newhall Street/Great Charles Street, also their 'Ladies Night' where we had a suitable speaker which concluded with refreshments. The Branch later commenced holding one-day seminars at the BMI.

During the same period the Annual General meeting for our Institute was held at various locations around the United Kingdom, so it made sense that having relocated the IMF headquarters from London to Birmingham in 1980 to find a local alternative – the Birmingham Medical Institute ideally fitted the bill.

We have been very pleased with the facilities accorded us over the years – a separate room for transaction of AGM business and an additional room for the annual Christmas Luncheon with wine and alternative menu to the usual turkey with the bonus of a Bar for the usual alcoholic beverages and pre drinks.

We have enjoyed excellent courteous service from the staff of the BMI and wish them all the best for the foreseeable future. We are sorry to see you go.

Since the BMI will close at the end of October later this year, our Institute is seeking for a suitable a new venue for the 2015 AGM. Watch this space for further details.

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Environment, Health & Safety

Recently the HSE in association with the Institute of Occupational Safety & Health (IOSH) has begun using the word 'wellbeing' - regarding a new strategy. Wellbeing is described as "a cross departmental partnership with various other bodies."

The aims are:

- ensuring the general health of the 'working age' population improves;
- preventing work related illness & injuries, but also to go further and use the workplace as an opportunity for general health improvements;
- responding early when health problems arise - and, combined with this, ensuring that the necessary interventions are easily and speedily available.
- helping people to better manage their condition so that they can as lead as full a life as possible.
- ensuring that appropriate rehabilitation support and workplace adaptations are available for those who have been out of work because of ill health thus enabling them to make that leap back into work as soon as possible.

Many illnesses are known to be related directly to workplace conditions and procedures.

However, employers may wish to consider the implications of having to take on additional responsibilities for the general health of their employees.

Further information from <http://www.hse.uk/hwwb/>

Associazione Italiana Industrie Galvaniche - Challenge to ECHA re Chromium trioxide.

At the next 'CARACAL' meeting the Italian REACH Competent Authority will put forward the problem of the REACH Guidance on intermediates and its implications for the use of chromium trioxide to the other Member States for their opinion.

The relevant note has been uploaded by the Italian Authority on CIRCABC, who recommend Members States contact their national REACH Authority in order to support this challenge.

ECHA (European Chemicals Agency)

ECHA are proposing to recommend a further 15 substances for inclusion in the list of SVHCs (substances of very high concern). Perusal of the list suggests very few will be of concern to the Surface Finishing industry companies except for Boric Acid and maybe some Lead salts (monoxide, trioxide & tetraoxide).

It is suggested that this information should be passed to their company REACH representative.

Company News & Products

Stainless Plating Ltd (SPC)

The company is delighted to announce the addition of Electroless Nickel plating to its portfolio of surface finishing processes:

- Fully NADCAP approved
- Available as medium and high phosphorous
- Material processed include Aluminium, Steel and Stainless Steel
- Barrel and Rack options available
- Blasting, masking and NDT options available by request

Further information please contact Lee Grant

Tel: 0114 242 2000

or email: lee.grant@stainlessplating.co.uk

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More information: www.laytontechnologies.com

or tel: 01782 370400

ADEPT Pure Water Limited Situations Vacant

Field Service Engineer required for Engineering & Servicing department.

Main duties: Build, install & service work on site.

Systems include: Reverse Osmosis, De-ionisers, Water softeners, Filters, UV Filtration, associated with chemical & consumables and other manufacturers' equipment, administration work.

Field Service Engineer – Supervisor

Main duties: Supervising small team of engineers at factory and on site. Person appointed needs a fair and understanding nature and able to instruct and supervise with the ability to explain ideas clearly and have excellent communication skills and able to prioritise and plan effectively.

For further information please see the IMF website or contact Donna Hazelton at Adept via Enquiries@adepwt.co.uk

Poeton Industries Ltd (Gloucester) Situations vacant

Poeton Industries are well known in the field of surface coatings supplying, amongst others, the aerospace, automotive & pharmaceutical sectors.

They are currently looking for skilled people to join their team.

1. Chrome Platers, Anodisers & Nickel Platers.
2. Research & Development Technician.

Applications for the above should contact Jan Hughes for a Gloucester Application form Tel: 01452 399500, and return with your CV to: Poeton Industries Limited Eastern Avenue, Gloucester

PDJ Vibro Ltd

Vibratory finishing & component polishing specialists are offering a competitive service from their facility in Milton Keynes using vibratory, barrel & centrifugal surface finishing equipment.

Applications include: Deburring, Polishing, Edge breaking, Pre-anodise & Pre-plate surface improvement, Super finishing to 0.03 ra

For further information please contact – PDJ Vibro Ltd, 40 Barton Road, Buckinghamshire, MK2 3BB

Surface Technology (Coventry)

Several key investments are underway as the facility gears up to meet an influx of high volume work for black passivation and zinc nickel plating. A new black passivation tank has been introduced in response to a significant increase to a demand for this coating which will see capacity increase to excess of 5,000 parts per hour.

Additionally, the site is currently in the final stages of achieving the Occupational Health and Safety Assessment Specification (OHSAS) 18001 certificate for the H&S management systems.

For further information can be found at: www.surface-technology.co.uk

IMF News New Sustaining Member Company Ecoat Ireland Limited

This company has recently become a new member of the IMF. They are a technology advanced electrophoretic jobbing contractor.

With high quality standards their coatings are applied to components which are distributed globally to many large manufacturers in both automotive and commercial vehicle industries. They are fully automated and handle high volumes to 'just in time' schedules and usually to a zero defect requirement.

For further information, please contact Justin Roney at company direct, Tel: 028 92604798

New Members – Affiliate

Baker, Nicholas	Poeton Industries
Evans, Stephen	Poeton Industries
Hutchings, Daniel	Poeton Industries
Needham, Michael	Poeton Industries
Rucinska, Emelia	Poeton Industries
Smith, Matt	Poeton Industries
Williams, Philip	Poeton Industries
Woodley, Lucie	Poeton Industries
Allen, Paul	AEM Ltd
Bureos, Ruben	BJC Co
Newey, Graham	Russell Labs.
Toovey, Rachael	Aston & Moore

Examination Results

Foundation Certificate studied by Tutored Courses at Poeton Industries, Examination held 8 May 2015

Amor, Andrew #	Bowen-Smith, Amy
Horton, Yan *	Knight, Sam
Lloyd, Rhys *	Pearson, Jamie
Watkins, Nathan *	

Examination Results (cont.)

Foundation Certificate studied by Tutored Courses at Poeton Industries Examination held 8 June 2015

Green, Tracy #	Gruntkowski, Wojciech*
Kenny, Josh	Mucha, Iwona *
Watson, Paul *	Zalewska, Dagmara #
Zdravkovic, Zorica	

Foundation Certificate studied by Distance Learning Examination held 16 June 2015

Andrews, Richard *	Advatech Ltd
Blaine, Heather *	Interplex pmp
Bryans, Luke *	Protech Finishing
Chilton, Wendy #	R A Chilton Ltd
Crosskill, Robert #	SPS Technologies Ltd
Eagling, Michael	Advatech Ltd
Ellis, Benjamin	Auric Metal Finishing
Gleeson, Nicola #	Rittall CSM Ltd
Gray, Christopher *	BMW Oxford
Irwin, Daniel *	Meggitt Control Systems
Kishnanunni, Anjali #	Coventry University
Mather, David	Interplex pmp
McDermott, Michael	Auric Metal Finishing
Pemberton, Phillip	R A Chilton Ltd
Reynolds, Philip #	SPS Technologies Ltd
Richardson, Chris. *	Jacquet Weston Eng.
Schembri, Matthew #	Methodo Malta Ltd
Staker, Mark #	R A Chilton Ltd
Witt, Kevin *	Jacquet Weston Eng.

Technician Module studied by Distance Learning on Principles of Electroplating.

Cook, Marc	Russell Laboratories
Moore, David	Nicholson Sealing Tech.
Patel, Vinesh	Atotech UK Ltd
Traynor, Daniel *	PMD UK Ltd

Technician Module studied by Distance Learning on Electroplating Practice

Brown, Joshua * South West Metal Finishing
 Street, Gemma South West Metal Finishing
 Both of the above, having passed 2 Technician modules have been awarded a Technician Certificate.

Technician Module studied by Distance Learning on Environment, Health and Safety

Solly, Matthew * Eaton Aerospace Ltd

* pass with Merit. # Pass with Distinction

Education and Training

The next enrolment date is 4th September 2015


Prospective students should contact David at the IMF – Exeter House –Tel: 0121 622 7387

SURFACE FINISHING SERVICES


For Salt Spray Corrosion Testing & Chemical Analysis by UKAS and Nadcap Accredited Laboratory



Corporate, ASTM and BS / ISO specifications
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