



NEWSLETTER – September 2009

Welcome to the Business Forum's regular Newsletter, covering our successful September 2009 meeting and also including all usual areas of interest to members.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday 8th October 2009 at the Civic Hall, Civic Centre, Civic Way, **ELLESMERE PORT**, CH65 0BE, starting 6.30pm for 7.00pm, with usual bar & buffet.

Speakers

Doreen McGaw of CW for Business

“How to develop people for business.”

AND

Marie-Claire Carlisle

“What happens when you follow your heart, and commit to your vision....?”

Usual Bar & Buffet plus raffle for exciting prizes

Guests Welcome

Members Meeting 10th September 2009

Dr Paul Victor of Vmax Development Ltd kicked off our post-summer meeting in Chester by focusing us all on creating a different and better future with strategies for change management. Paul led a very interesting and inter-active discussion, and posed a number of thought-provoking questions.

Mandy Eales, and colleagues, of Cheshire Fire & Rescue Service also provided all members with some very important and essential information for protection of their businesses (and of themselves and their employees.) A very practical and informative address.

We also conducted our usual raffle, with some very happy winners!!

Another excellent reason to be a Forum member.

As you can see there is always a full programme for our meeting. If you would like to feature in any meeting, you can always agree to speak at one of our Members' Showcase slots. Alternatively, if there is a topic you would like to have covered at a meeting, please let us know. Contact Carol Pengelly at chair@cepnforum.org.uk

Website News

Did you know that the Forum operates a website where your membership and business will be advertised? We can also set up a link to your own website.

Read this Newsletter on the Forum's website, where we had 2180 visits in the last four weeks. You've got to be in it to win anything from it!!

Why not log on, visit the site and find details of our strong membership by reading about your fellow members? Is your entry up to date? Do we need to change any member details?

NOTE: We need to continue to update members' details. Please check yours as listed on the site, and advise Mark of any changes to the details listed since you joined the Forum. Thank you.

Let us know by emailing Mark Ireland-Jones at mark@wirralphoto.com

Members

With new members joining us on a regular basis, and with old friends deciding to move on to new opportunities, our member numbers remain at a steady 65 this month.

The Forum's Committee meets regularly to discuss and organise the events and meetings of the Forum. Copies of the minutes of the Committee meetings are available on request to members. Contact chair@cepnforum.org.uk for a copy.

The Committee is actively promoting the Forum on behalf of the membership, but if you know of any Start-up Businesses or existing SMEs you think will benefit from membership, please don't hesitate to tell them about us, or bring them along to our next meeting!

Member News

*****CALLING ALL FORUM MEMBERS*****

Would you like the chance to join our Members Showcase for 2009 or 2010? We need presentations of between 5 -10 minutes. You can let all members know all about you and your business, including interesting facts or offers for other members.

Please contact Carol Pengelly at chair@cepnforum.org.uk

In addition, you can also have 200 words about your business published here on our Newsletter and on website (providing we have advance notice.) If you have any special offers or events you are planning in the near future, you could publicise them here too.

Please send your 200 words to keith@ehrservices.fsnet.co.uk

Attendance at our monthly meetings

All members receive an electronic reminder about our next meeting each month, approximately one week beforehand. If possible, we would like members to confirm their attendance, or to indicate that they are unable to attend, so that we can cater for correct numbers.

You can help us by emailing the Forum Chair, **Carol Pengelly**, at chair@cepnforum.org.uk. Thank you.

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don't forget our next meeting on **8th October in ELLESMERE PORT**. All current members and guests welcome – come and meet the Committee and fellow members, and take part in important networking for your business.