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ACCT Board Meeting

The ACCT Board of Directors conference call will be on January 15, 2015. Please feel free to contact your board representative to learn more about the meeting topics.

If you have questions regarding the Board, please contact Executive Director James Borishade at james@acctinfo.org.

2015 Conference

ACCT has a NEW Conference website! Go to http://acctconference.com/ to find information on or learn more about:

- ➤ Conference Registration
- > ACCT Inspector Certification (ICE) Registration
- > Exhibition Opportunities
- Sponsorship Opportunities
- > Demo Workshop Application
- > Conference Workshops
- > Transport Shuttle
- ➤ Challenge Course Tour
- > Hotel Reservations
- ➤ Conference Costs
- > Service Crew Application

Online Registration is open until January 12, 2015! To register, go to http://acctconference.com/.

25th Anniversary Conference: The theme for our Annual International ACCT Conference and Expo, February 5-8, 2015, is "Silver Anniversary Celebration." Please join us as we celebrate our



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25th Anniversary in Palm Springs (Indian Wells), CA. The reception in the exhibit hall Thursday night will be a "Silver Anniversary Party!" and we invite you to share in the fun by wearing something the color of silver (clothing, jewelry, shoes, hat, etc.). Friday night in the exhibit hall is "Silver Screen: A Black and White Affair!" where we will get into the fun of the silver screen era and our ACCT history. Join in by dressing in black and white, formal or informal your choice.

The Association for Challenge Course Technology Proudly Presents the ACCT Inspector Certification Program! Apply now for the upcoming ACCT Inspector Certification Prep Course and Exam. Applications must be submitted no later than December 31, 2014, and be accepted, prior to being allowed to sit for the ACCT Inspector Certification Exam on February 8, 2015. No exceptions will be made to this deadline. For more information visit: http://acctconference.com/resources/inspector-certification/.

Online Registration for ACCT Olympics is NOW AVAILABLE! Get a jump on the FUN and sign your team up TODAY! A group of any eight individuals are eligible to sign up and compete in this fun, longstanding event. To register your team, please go to http://www.planetreg.com/E101013233235893.

Airport Shuttle: To assist you with a smooth transition from the Palm Springs (PSP) airport to the wonderful Renaissance Esmeralda Resort and Spa, ACCT will be providing limited Complimentary Airport Shuttle Service. The shuttle will be filled on a first come, first served basis and will run from 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday and from 7:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. on Sunday.

Service Crew Applications Still Being Accepted: Participation in the Conference Service Crew can help reduce the cost of registration. Service Crew members, the "Yellow Hats," assist in many areas of conference operations. Interested persons must submit an application, found on the ACCT Web site. Service Crew members are expected to work up to 17 hours during the conference. In return, registration fees will be reduced.

Upcoming ACCT Conferences:

- The 26th Annual International ACCT Conference and Expo will be at the Hyatt Lost Pines Resort & Spa in Austin, TX, from January 28–31, 2016.
- The 27th Annual International ACCT Conference and Expo will be at The Westin Savannah Harbor Golf Resort and Spa in Savannah, GA, February 2–5, 2017.

Go to the ACCT website at www.acctinfo.org for information regarding the upcoming 25th Annual International ACCT Conference & Expo. Should you have any questions or need assistance, please contact the Special Events Coordinator, Melissa Webb, at melissa@acctinfo.org.



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Colorado Zip Line Bulletin

The Amusement Rides and Devices Program would like to inform you about a change to the date of the upcoming stakeholder meeting. Read the items below for more details.

Stakeholder Meeting Invitation: New Meeting Date

OPS will begin holding stakeholder meetings to discuss these proposed changes on February 20, 2015, at 1:30 pm in Conference Room 5C at the CDLE offices (633 17th Street, Denver, Colorado 80202).

If you plan to attend the meeting:

- Please RSVP by sending an email to <u>cdle amusements@state.co.us</u>; include your organization's name and your contact information in your email.
- When you arrive for the meeting, please check in on the second floor, and then you will be directed to the fifth floor conference room.

If you cannot attend the meeting, we encourage you to submit feedback to Scott Narreau at **scott.narreau@state.co.us** or 303-318-8495.

As always, we thank you for your participation in our program.



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Proposed Regulation Updates

As a reminder, the Division of Oil and Public Safety (OPS) intends to begin a permanent rule change process for the Amusement Rides and Devices regulations with the purpose of:

- adding language for the regulation of trampoline parks;
- improving current language in regulations regarding zip line and challenge course operations;
- discussing the possibility of adding language for patron responsibility;
- clarifying language for reportable injuries; and
- updating and/or including applicable standards and definitions, namely:
 - adopting new standards from the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) F2970-13 (Standard Practice for Design, Manufacture, Installation, Operation, Maintenance, Inspection and Major Modification of Trampoline Courts); and
 - updating the regulations to reflect the adoption of current ASTM standards.

The draft of the proposed rule changes will be available to download from **our website** after December 30, 2014.

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ACCT Awards

The Association for Challenge Course Technology has announced the 2nd Annual Awards Program!

Challenge Courses, Aerial Parks, and Zip Line/Canopy Tour builders, owner/operators, and others have been invited to apply to be selected as winners in five categories:

- 1 Outstanding Structure Design
- 2 Outstanding Marketing/Promotional Video
- 3 Outstanding Marketing Collateral (non-video)
- 4 Outstanding Fundraising Campaign
- 5 Outstanding Program Impact

To make a submission, please go to http://acctconference.com/awards/. **Deadline for**



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submissions is January 4, 2015. Winners will be announced at the 25th Annual International ACCT Conference & Expo in Palm Springs (Indian Wells), California, February 5-8, 2015.

If you have questions regarding the ACCT Awards please contact Special Events & Membership Coordinator, Melissa Webb, at melissa@acctinfo.org.

Important Recall Notice

We have received the following recall notice in the ACCT office. For further questions, please contact Saferoller at the link provided.

Dear Madam or Sir,

We understand that you are currently using Kanopeo's Saferoller 2 Continuous Belay System with Saferoller 2 Long Zip Clamp in order to operate your rope course. It is to our great sadness to notify you of a deadly accident which occurred on 20 November 2014 in an adventure park on a Zip line (Flying Fox) of 350 m using **Saferoller 2 Long Zip Clamp** in the Netherlands. In the case at hand, an arm holding a Long Zip Clamp (arm batch nr 1301) broke.

Based on the information available to us, we cannot exclude the possibility that the accident was caused by a deficiency of one of the products distributed by our company. As a result, we have to advise you that the Saferoller 2 Long Zip Clamp (as used by you) might pose a risk to persons using it.

We are working together with the competent authorities to elaborate the circumstances of the accident. We are all trying hard to clarify the causes and to find out if any, and what, batches of the Saferoller 2 Long Zip Clamp might be affected. It is our first priority to prevent such accident in the future.

Meanwhile, however, and in order to comply with general safety regulation requirements, we must urge you to immediately halt from operating your rope course with the Saferoller 2 Long Zip Clamp until an exchange has taken place.

We are taking this drastic step in order to avoid any potential risk of further accidents. We believe that it is in all of our interests (and in the interest of the whole rope park community) to avoid any similar accident from happening again. We are also acting with the aim of reducing your potential liability as the operator of your rope course in case a safety hazard should indeed result from a part of the Saferoller 2 Long Zip Clamp. Hence, we ask you for your cooperation and hope for your understanding for the inconvenience.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any queries in relation to this letter or the



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accident. In particular, you may contact us per mail at recall@saferoller.com

We are currently focusing all of our efforts to identify the cause of the accident. We want to make sure that your rope park and the other rope parks using Saferoller products are safe. In particular, we will contact you as soon as possible in order to share our findings.

In the meantime, we urge you to provide us with important information regarding your rope course (using the Saferoller 2 Long Zip Clamp). Please contact Saferoller to complete an important information form. Your swift and complete reply will help us prepare and accelerate further safety measures.

Yours sincerely,

Jacques Christinet, CEO

Vincent Hueber, Head of Sales

If you have questions regarding this recall notice, please contact Saferoller at recall@saferoller.com.

The ACCT Board of Directors and staff would like to wish each of you a happy, healthy, and safe holiday season!