

## TSG News - May 2005



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### Company News

This has been a very busy month for those of us working at Total Solutions Group, and if we're busy then you, our customers, must also be busy which can't be a bad thing! Unfortunately this means that we are running a little behind on the newsletter this month so all we are sending out is this single page "filler" until June's issue hits your inbox in a couple of weeks. Rest assured normal service will be resumed shortly.



Total Solutions have just completed commissioning a rooftop for the Esplanade theatre in Singapore. One of the small nations most prestigious landmarks positioned on Singapore harbour. The Esplanade will be using the structure for the coming run of outdoor summer functions. The group have also supplied two large demountable storage units ( see left ) to store the rooftop when there are no outdoor functions happening.

**1, T2, 3;** Everyone knows what De La Soul said about three being the magic number – this is certainly proving true for Total Solutions as we are proud to announce securing our third T2 grid in as many months. Blackout have commissioned the grid for The Millennium Stadium in Cardiff, the home of Welsh Rugby. In addition to purchasing Total Solutions high spec safety truss the stadium have also purchased a large decking system. More on this story in next months issue when we will be looking at the rise of T2 and asking why it is now becoming a more important player in the industry than ever before.

TSG Website. As of the first of this month the TSG website can be reached by typing [www.trussing.com](http://www.trussing.com) into your web browser. For years this was the main access portal for the Slick website. The move to point the TSG site to this domain is part of our ongoing group restructuring program. The move is intended to bring the group website very much to the fore as the main point of access for all group services. If you have any queries about the group website then contact us on the following e-mail – [newsletter@totalsolutions-group.co.uk](mailto:newsletter@totalsolutions-group.co.uk) or on the usual business number.

### Safety Focus

April is always a busy month for Total Training, this year was no exception. We are planning some extra 3 day courses between now and August and a series of one day seminars tackling the impact of the Work at Height Regulations.

The proposed dates are currently May 13<sup>th</sup>, June 17<sup>th</sup>, July 1<sup>st</sup>, Sept 30<sup>th</sup> and Oct 8<sup>th</sup>. Please contact the office for details of booking.

We began the month delivering two more 3 day rigging courses for the Royal Opera House, our sixth visit to Covent Garden since August 2004. 40 of the House's stage technicians have now received our 3 day training. This was followed by the first of three 3 day courses at the National Exhibition Centre catering for the technical managers, riggers and senior riggers.

3 days of T2 training followed at Circomedia (more news on this project in a future issue) and then to HSE Manchester to represent ABTT, PLASA and PSA at the Advisory Committee on Working at Height Training (ACWAHT).

At the same time back at base, Eric Porter delivered our regular 3 day course in the training unit to another 6 people bringing the total of 3 day courses held to over 150.

This was a milestone for Total Training because it included our 1000<sup>th</sup> certificate issued since the start of our formal training in 2000. Back in Bristol again, a seminar at the Old Vic Theatre School. The Old Vic School runs one of the few Production Management degree courses in the world and the day was spent looking at the issues Production Managers face in relation to rigging. Topics included the Work at Height Regulations, BS 7906:1, using trusses and secondary suspensions.

We will be back in June with the full Newsletter with all the usual features.