

# B I B A West Midlands

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## BIBA West Midlands Chairman's message

Welcome to our newsletter.

As you can see, your committee (as always) has again been extremely active on your behalf.

A number of social events have been and will be held in the coming months and I would urge you all to join us for a bit of fun.

For the more studious there are a number of training courses in the coming months. For example, at our Interactive Debate on the 10th July you will have the opportunity to question some of the top movers and shakers in the UK industry and maybe have a bit of a play with some Hi Tech wizardry in the process.

I would like to thank my committee members for their hard work in bringing these events together for you and I hope you can take full advantage of these.

Whilst writing, I would recommend that you have a look at the BIBA website [www.biba.org.uk](http://www.biba.org.uk). Not only is this an excellent and useful resource on a whole range of issues, you can pay our own region a visit on our regional web page.

You will find the site includes many technical briefings, details on the work BIBA carries out on your behalf and of course information about the excellent range of schemes BIBA offers to help your business.

I hope to see you at one of our future events!

Richard Wynne-Jones Dip CII



## REGIONAL EVENTS

### Annual Dinner 2006

We had a very successful annual dinner in 2006 and were pleased to present Cancer Research with a cheque for £2500.

We look forward to our next dinner, for details see below.

### Compliance forum

Another successful meeting was held on the 7<sup>th</sup> of March, at which 17 brokers were present, at the offices of ACE Insurance in Birmingham – just a 10 minute walk up from New Street Station.

Steve White gave updates of the developments regarding regulation and the actions that should be taken.

The meetings are for the benefit of Compliance officers and are an ideal opportunity for members to discuss items of regulation with fellow brokers. There is no competition element and the agenda is decided by the members. We hope you will take the opportunity to attend future meetings. The next Compliance Forum will be held in September - date to be confirmed.

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## Training

Four courses have been scheduled in the region. Full details are on the website and we hope you will support them.

## Social Evening

A very successful Karaoke night was held in February and was enjoyed by over 60 Brokers and Insurers. A repeat event will be planned for February 2008.



## Other Events in Your Region

Your region continues to be active throughout the year. Highlighted below are some of our forthcoming events.

## BIBA West Midlands 'The Interactive Debate'

Our renowned One Day Conference this year is to be held on the **10<sup>th</sup> July 2007** at the now familiar, and extremely comfortable, venue of the Austin Court Conference Centre in Cambridge Street next to the ICC. The Debate starts at 9.00am concluding with lunch at 12.30pm

The theme this year is '*questioning the insurance industry with interactive response*' and we have a mix of high profile speakers drawn both locally and nationally. You also have the chance to take the floor yourself in various question and answer sessions.

The cost remains unaltered from last year at £50 per delegate. Put the date in your diary and return your application form, with your cheque, to Steven Clowes at Millennium Insurance Brokers, New Street, Newport, Shropshire TF10 7AX

## Annual Dinner 2007

You should have received a notice from BIBA Head Office to let you know the details of this year's dinner, which is to be held on the **12<sup>th</sup> October 2007** at the Burlington Hotel (Next to New Street Station).

We will release details of the menu, wine list etc. in due course. Our guest speaker this year is Paul Boardman (son of the brilliant comedian Stan Boardman – like father like son!).

If you would like to reserve your tickets please contact Chris Swain on 01527 546474 or e-mail [chris.swain@mpinsurance.co.uk](mailto:chris.swain@mpinsurance.co.uk)

## Golf Day 2007

Any golfers out there fancy themselves as an expert? Why not put those skills to the test and join our Annual Golf day on the **25<sup>th</sup> September 2007** at the Bromsgrove Golf Centre.

The Event has become an enjoyable annual competition among Brokers – this being the third year it has been run.

If interested, your guests are very welcome, please contact Sue Dimmock on 01952 282000.

## Regional Web Page

The main BIBA website now has dedicated pages for the Regions. To visit the West Midlands Region page simply click online at [www.biba.org.uk](http://www.biba.org.uk) and follow the links under Broker Support / BIBA Regions / West Midlands.