

Pipingdesigners.com news letter

This months news letter will update you on updates to the pipingdesigners.com website, and let you know what's going on with piping issues that affect you.

Things are still a little slow in the jobs market, but a few opportunities are starting to open up globally.

Keep an eye on the jobs page to find out what's coming up near you.

We now have over 3,000 people registered on the pipingdesigners.com forum, quite an



achievement, but there are plenty more pipers out there who are not members, so, please pass this along to all your piper friends.

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Site Updates

Every month we will give a brief overview of any additions and / or modifications to the site.

The main updates to the site this month:

The jobs page:

The main change is that you now **must be registered and logged in** to view the jobs available.

The service is still free to job seekers and job posters alike.

Training Section:

There are some new Valve articles in the training section.

Standards Section:

New CEN Standards listed on the codes and Standards Section

Tools Section:

The [glossary](#) of piping terms has been revised and updated.

Look on the site for:

- Check out tools for a selection of spreadsheets and useful piping data.
- The training section is great for new designers looking for information, ad for seasoned pipers to refresh their knowledge.

SPED & Pipers

SPED Europe

“SPED Certification is a valuable addition to your corporate skills on qualification documents and your CV / resume.”

SPED is the Society of Piping Engineers & Designers based in Houston, and its mission is to drive up piping engineer's skills across the globe. They are active in the Canada, Malaysia, Spain & USA. Norman Harris leads their efforts in the UK, and seeks advice.

SPED holds successful one day Refresher courses for the two levels of skills offered, the Essentials of Process Piping Design and Advanced Piping Layout.

The Refresher Day ends with the Accreditation test.

Which level would be the most popular with your organisation?

Then there is location. What part of the UK would best to hold an event?



And finally a weekday or weekend?

Full information about SPED is available on

<http://www.20cc.co.uk/sped-training-day>

or

<http://spedeurope.pipingdesigners.com>

SPED Certification is a valuable addition to your corporate skills on qualification documents and your CV / resume.

Sped info:

SPED

www.spedweb.com

SPED Canada –

<http://spedcanada.pipingdesigners.com>

SPED Europe –

<http://spedeurope.pipingdesigners.com>

Look out for the SPED group on LinkedIn

The Forum

Are you registered with the pipingdesigners.com forum yet?

It's free, easy, and you can remain anonymous to other posters.

It is a great place to interact with other pipers around the world whether you're from the junior ranks to a seasoned veteran of many piping campaigns.

It is also a great way to find out them little bits and pieces that you may have forgotten along the way.

For those of you who have not registered with the forum, you should consider it, for a number of reasons:

- **Viewing** of job postings is only available to registered users.
- **Posting** of comments is only available to registered users.
- Registered users can contact each other through the “**PM**” function.
- The forum will track **new posts** since you last logged in.
- You can be kept informed of **site updates** by email (no more than 1 per month)

With so many regular contributors to the forum, you should find an answer to whatever piping question you might have.

Of course, it's not all serious, so there is also the “piping lounge” where you can discuss what you like ... as long as it's not going to offend anyone!

So, please, make use of the forum ... it's there for you!

Suggestions

Because pipingdesigners.com is run by pipers, for pipers, we need to know what you look for in a piping website.

The only way we can provide this is with your feedback.

What would you like to see on pipingdesigners.com?

If you have anything you would like to see on pipingdesigners.com please drop me an email – anton@pipingdesigners.com

We will try our best to accommodate your suggestions, and if for any reason we can't do it, we will let you know, and try to see what we *can* do for you.

Jobs & the Jobs Page

As we all know, the market has not been kind to pipers in the last year or two.

A lot of people are suggesting that 2010 will see it turn around. I'm sure you all agree that it had better!

There are some signs of jobs popping up around the globe, while not at 2005 levels, it certainly looks less grim than 2009!

This is where we hope our jobs board will be of use.

We will keep an eye on the web on your behalf, and repost the job links on to the jobs board, so that you can get you CV / Resume off as quickly as possible.

We are also in touch with a number of recruitment firms in a number of countries, who hope to be placing openings in the near future.

So, maybe there is light at the end of the tunnel.

Recruiters & Hiring Managers:

The jobs board is free for you to use, so please get in contact with me.

The people looking on this jobs board are looking for one thing only – piping jobs.

If you have a piping job to offer, this is your target market, why waste your time anywhere else?

Placing jobs on pipingdesigners.com is a FREE service.

Pipingdesigners.com gets over 20,000 visits per month!

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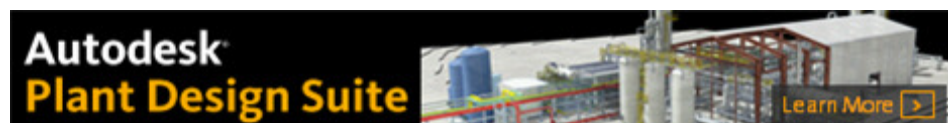
With this in mind, we would like to thank our main sponsor – **AutoDesk Plant Design Suite**.

We also run a number of other ads through google etc, so if you see something there that interests you, why not take a look, it will cost you nothing, but every click keeps pipingdesigners.com running!

We are always looking out for new and additional sponsors.

We regularly attract over 20,000 visitors per month (780,000 Hits!), and this news letter reaches over 3,000 users directly every month.

If you know of any potential sponsors, they can contact me on +353 87 8309442 or anton@pipingdesigners.com



Event Diary

THE home page for piping designers on the internet

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Calendar of upcoming events				
Date	Event	Location	Cost	Contact
1st-4th Sept	ECC 2010 - 42nd Annual ECC Conference http://www.ecc.conference.org/	Riz Carlton, Orlando Great Lakes Orlando, FL	See website	Registration via ECC website
20th-22nd Sept	COADE User Conference 2010 http://www.coadeuserconference.com/2010	Woodlands Waterway Marriott Hotel, Houston, TX	See website	Registration via COADE website
TBD	SPED 2010 Annual General Business Meeting and Corporate Member Showcase	Omni Houston Hotel at Westside, Houston, TX	TBD	Open to Members and their Guests

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