Newsletter, Autumn 2019

Dear Member,

Welcome to The Packaging Society’s newsletter for Autumn 2019.

We hope you had a good summer.

**Packaging Innovations**

Packaging Innovations is at Olympia on 11th – 12th Sept. We will be at Stand H44 where you will find a host of industry experts discussing all your packaging needs, from general packaging design and testing to transportation and shipping, in addition to the major focus this year on sustainability and recycling. Drop in or pre-book – the full schedule is available here - [http://bit.ly/TPS19Q41](http://bit.ly/TPS19Q41)

As well as the surgery, we are there for all members of TPS to drop in and say hello – sometimes we can be a bit busy, but do persevere – the quietest times seem to be near the start and end of the day. Do come can have a chat, especially if you are looking at moving to the next level of membership, or are thinking of becoming a Chartered Scientist, Engineer or Environmentalist. We will also have more details on our upcoming training programmes.

We also have an amazing show special on membership, so if you are reading this online as a non-member, or have colleagues that you think might be interested in joining, do come along – if you join up on the day, affiliate membership is just £50 until December 2020!

**Packaging Training**

The next Diploma in Packaging Technology onsite course runs from Nov 11th 2019 to April 8th 2020 and is held at various locations across the UK. More details can be found here –

The online version of the diploma is available for students to start at any time during the year.

We also have a couple of new short courses;


and

Packaging Innovation and Design for a Circular Economy 11th and 12th Dec 2019 at the IOM3 headquarters on Euston Rd in London
Details of these and all of our training courses can be found at http://bit.ly/TPSQ4194

Please note all courses are organised by the IOM3 Training Academy and Supported by The Packaging Society

Local Societies

You may have missed the changes that we recently made to the local societies. Essentially the east and west regional societies have now merged so; EMPkgS now covers both the East and West Midlands, L&SEPS now covers London and all of the South of England, and NEPkgS now covers the North East and the North West.

Details of the local societies can be found here - http://bit.ly/TPSQ4195, along with contact details. The local societies are always keen to hear from our members.

Save the Date:

19th May – Annual Fellows Lunch at the RAF Club in Mayfair. Open to all members and non-members, this is an excellent networking opportunity, and exceptional value for money. Arranged by the local packaging society divisions.

2nd July – Annual Thames River Cruise – another excellent networking opportunity, and if the last couple of years are to go by, barmy weather. Arranged by the L&SEPS

Further details and details of more events to follow

Keep in Touch

As well as this newsletter, we are on twitter @thepackagingsoc and Linked-in, where we have a page http://bit.ly/TPSQ4192 where we post details of events etc, and we also have a group with over two thousand members http://bit.ly/TPSQ4193 - come over and join the conversation!

This email is sent to all members of The Packaging Society, a division of IOM3, the Institute of Materials, Minerals and Mining. If you are reading this online and want to join, you can find out more at https://www.iom3.org/membership-and-registration-join-us. If you are already a member and did not receive a copy, after checking your spam filter, logon to the IOM3 site, go to edit personal information and select APPLICATIONS – Packaging Society as your technical community/division.

Hopefully catch up with you online, if not in person at Packaging Innovations,

Best wishes,

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