

## I stuffed up!

How many of us admit that we made a mistake? And how many of us make the changes required not to make the same mistake again?

Recently I was at a site that I have been to before, but I was asked to visit a part of the site that I have not been to.

Upon arriving at this particular area I got out of the car and proceeded to the area where we were holding the meeting, where one of the people said to me that I should have a "High Visibility" vest on to be in this area. (I did not have one with me)

Now I could blame the person that I was working with for not advising me of the PPE requirements for this area, and I could also blame the people that allowed me into the area before telling me that I did not conform!



But!... I was the one who went into an area without the right PPE!

Nothing happened & no one got hurt, but it was a great lesson. (and a bit disappointing for me)

So I now have added a checklist for when I visit new areas, one of the questions I will now ask is what are the PPE requirements for the area I will be in.

I will also put together my own kit, eye/ear/visibility/hard hat etc so that I always have what is needed.

**What do you do when you make a mistake?**



## Hollywood comes to James

Filming has commenced on the new James Wood DVD safety training package. I have held off doing this because most of the safety DVD's I have watched are boring as bat droppings! I want mine to be a bit interesting & give a strong message!

We will have it finished by next year so if you are interested in purchasing the safety training package for use in inductions or site training please let Vanessa know & she will make sure you are on our list

## Quote of the Month

"You don't realise just how much you take for granted until you cant do it anymore" .... James Wood

## Planning ahead

After the horrific fires in February this year we all know the importance of being prepared for things that can go wrong.

The simple fact is that the people who had planned & prepared for bushfires survived.

So with this in mind, I have been preparing for the coming fire season, I have cleared areas, burnt off piles of wood and looked at how the property would be affected in a fire.

But the next thing we have to do is prepare & practise our fire plan.

Have you planned for what you will do? Not just with fires, but with your safety plans for the year ahead!

## Where's James

### November

Sydney	NSW
Melbourne	VIC
Chinchilla	QLD
Kununurra	WA
Goonyella	QLD
Moranbah	QLD

### December

Kununurra	WA
Geraldton	WA
Whyalla	SA



Let us know if James is near you...maybe he could visit your site. Contact Vanessa at [vanessa@cnbsafe.com.au](mailto:vanessa@cnbsafe.com.au)



## Thinking of others

One of the nice things about what I do is that I get to meet lots of people with lots of great ideas. I was recently in Qld at a mine site and I mentioned on several occasions that I get frustrated at not being able to change a light bulb!

When I got home I received an email from someone telling me of an invention they saw on the ABC TV show "New Inventors" that allows people to change lightbulbs from ground level.

So I just wanted to say thanks for thinking of me Michelle. I'm looking into it.

But I have also noticed that people will tell me about these things but might be hesitant to tell their workmates about something that might make their job easier or better still SAFER!

So lets try and look out for things that will keep our workmates safe, and if you do see something then tell them about it.

Until next month, stay safe