

# SHB News...



Vehicle Hire and Management

**Summer time!** Welcome to our latest edition of SHB's Newsletter. As summer gets into full flow we check in on how our new Gloucester site is progressing, we will also take a look at exactly how we helped conquer the endless amount of mud at this years Glastonbury festival. Our latest fundraising activities and travelling in Europe will also be covered.

## SHB gain FORS Silver Accreditation

SHB Hire Ltd has reinforced its dedication to road safety through achieving the Fleet Operators Recognition Scheme (FORS) Silver accreditation at our Heathrow depot. The accreditation is aimed at improving road safety through fleet management, vehicle safety technology and driver licence checks - all of which SHB have continued to demonstrate since the award of the FORS Bronze accreditation in September 2015.

To achieve Silver, fleet operators must prove to auditors that they have provisions in place to actively manage and monitor its fleet along with meeting set vehicle safety specifications that include the minimisation of blind spots on vehicles over 3.5 tonnes. SHB have a longstanding dedication to road safety, not just in London but across the UK. Recently the decision was made to fit Side Scan units to all new vehicles above 3.5 tonnes as standard regardless of where they will be operated. This is a safety requirement for the Safer London Lorry Scheme that came into effect in September 2015. SHB's Commercial Director, Nicky Simpson, explained: "We have committed a large amount of time and resources over the past few years to ensure that we not only operate our fleet in a safe manner but also lead the way. The arrival of the FORS Silver accreditation will hopefully go some distance to show our dedication to safety on the road." SHB aims to have each of its 14 UK based locations operating fully in line with FORS Silver by 1st August.



## New to Fleet...



SHB has continued to increase its diverse fleet of vehicles. Recently we have added a number of vehicles, most notably the addition of the Jaguar XF to our Executive vehicle range.

## Donington Season...

As Donington Park's Facility and Events Vehicle Partner we would like to remind our customers that we are revving up for a new season. Please speak to your Account Manager for more information and how you can attend.



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## New Gloucester Site Progress

In the last edition of our newsletter we announced the news of our new depot in Gloucester. Since then, the new site has undergone renovation to get it fully up to operational standards. The depot will be the largest of SHB's in the UK creating a significant amount of extra jobs within the local community. The depot will vastly improve our operations with its ability to house a variety of larger facilities including HGV and LCV workshops, fabrication facilities and Bodyshops.



# 14 operational sites for national coverage across the UK

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## Buggy Transporters

SHB have recently introduced four brand new Iveco Daily 'Buggy Transporters' to its logistics fleet. The four vehicles each have a weight limit of 3.5 tonnes and are fitted with tow bars and tachographs to enable a trailer to be fitted. Last year SHB invested in four HGV Buggy Buses that have the capability of carrying up to 20 Buggies at once. These vehicles have proven to drastically improve SHB's Buggy operations through mass deliveries to large events, but have obvious restrictions to the locations they can reach given their size and weight. The new LCV Transporters provide an ideal solution to this issue with their ability to access rural locations and will be used to deliver our Buggies to some of the biggest events across the UK and Europe.



Our new mobile friendly site has now gone live!



## SHB In the Community

SHB recently donated our Events trailer to Jane Scarth House for the Romsey Marathon. The trailer provided runners and volunteers ample shelter, seating and tea and coffee making facilities.



In May SHB supplied Tarmac with a courtesy Minibus to enable staff to attend the gruelling Tough Mudder challenge in aid of a variety of charities. Well done to the team at Tarmac who raised several thousands of pounds for some superb causes.



## What you've been saying about SHB...

*"Can you pass on my thanks to all involved. It is easy to deal with SHB and the service is excellent. As a volunteer charity we sometimes have difficulties organising things but SHB have been great".*

East Bolden Scouts

## SHB In the Thick of it

SHB once again played a vital role in keeping Glastonbury staff and revellers moving throughout this years event. With Glastonbury 2016 being dubbed as the wettest and of course muddiest of all time, our 4x4s provided ample support throughout the set up, duration and post operations. SHB have a long standing relationship with Glastonbury and have provided vehicles to the festival for over 10 years, supplying circa 270 vehicles on short term hire. The endless depths of mud were no match for the mighty 4x4s, shame the same couldn't be said for some of the visitor's vehicles though!



## Driving a Hire Vehicle in Europe

SHB would like to remind our customers that when taking a hire vehicle abroad to mainland Europe a Vehicle on Hire certificate must be carried. All EU countries require that a foreign driver travelling in a leased or rented vehicle carries a VE103 document with them. The VE103 contains details of the vehicle taken from the V5, along with the name and address of the hirer. This is the only acceptable substitute for the V5C, and enables the authorities to verify that the person driving the vehicle has permission to do so. Photocopies of the V5C or letters of authority are not accepted.

SHB offer a European package costing £120 + VAT one off charge, this includes the Vehicle on Hire certificate and the 5\* European Breakdown Cover. This offer must be agreed prior to taking any SHB vehicle outside the UK.

