# **ABTT TRAINING AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE, Brief Report, June 2025**

#### Chair: Sebastian Barnes

#### Vice Chair: Gareth Evans

Our last meeting was on May 22nd, 2025 and was conducted online.

**Courses;**

We are very pleased that our courses are still in high demand, helping to bolster practical skills and knowledge in technical theatre.

So far this year we have successfully delivered up to 6 single days of CPD courses, 6 separate Bronze 5 day courses, and one Pyrotechnic Awareness course.

For 2025, to date we have planned 7 Bronze courses, 5 various CPD days, and our usual Summer School including 5 Silver courses and Gold course.

We are very encouraged that the pass rates on our courses continues to be very high.

We continue to successfully run our online Mental Health First Aid, Autocad and Vectorworks courses.

I’m very pleased the ABTT Show Practical Skills workshops went better than expected. Elysia arranged new workshop spaces, much more appropriate than previous years. We delivered 53 sessions to over 390 people.

**Developments;**

We are piloting new CPD Silver level courses in Automation and Video Tech. We are also piloting our Copper course, pitched at younger learners wanting to recognise their current theatre skills through an ABTT standardised online test.

I am pleased that our Training Steering Group is planning a ‘root and branch’ review of our courses, marketing, and delivery standards which will help ensure a consistent and proactive approach our current and future training initiatives.

In September we are planning to update our Terms of Reference, to account for the role of the Training Steering Group.

**Dates for meetings planned for 2025;**

**September 4th**

**November 6th**

**Chair, Sebastian Barnes, 12/7/25**