Hello everyone, I hope you and your loved ones are safe and well. I am pleased to provide you with our November update.

**Future Events**

We continue to plan events for the coming months. In last month’s newsletter we said hold the 30 November and 3 December, after some discussions we have decided to hold a larger “End of Year reflections” event on 9 December instead which will provide 2 CPEs.

This will be a double panel event looking to reflect on 2020 across the certification areas that ISACA supports i.e. IT risk, IT security, IT governance & IT audit as well as a SheLeadsTech panel discussion considering the impact that the global pandemic has had on gender diversity.

So, our next event is on **Wednesday 9 December** at 2pm covering; a quick Board update, followed by a panel discussion hosted by Jen Kilmartin, a board member covering our core disciplines, with key guests and a more interactive Q&A session.

This will be followed by a SheLeadsTech panel discussion hosted by Sarah Orton, our Vice President. Panel members are women from our chapter membership, some of whom will be known to you, so it promises to be a fun Northern England chapter event. **Bookings for this event are open on our Chapter site. 2 CPES will be available for this event.**

**In January 2021,** Farhad Abid is keen to share his knowledge with us and will present again, following his pre-lockdown presentation in March in Leeds. For those of you who weren’t able to attend in March this provides the opportunity to hear Farhad present. For those of you who did attend Farhad will present a new topic.

**In February 2021,** we have Threat Intelligence presenting a hot topic to be finalised.
**Video on demand**

We are continuing to provide on-line events on our Chapter’s site, so if you weren’t able to attend the live session, the recordings are available to view at your leisure, with CPEs available for a number of months after they have been posted.

Each of our events have 1 CPE, once you have watched the video you will need to take the survey as the results (you need a pass mark of at least 2 out of 3) are used to demonstrate attendance for the upload of your CPE.

The CPE uploads will be made approximately monthly, please use the email address and your name (e.g. Robert and not Bob, if you have Robert registered) you have registered with ISACA otherwise your CPE may not be processed successfully.

**IRISH Chapter half day Event**

Our good friends at the IRISH Chapter are holding a half day event which is open to all to attend. The event is this Thursday 19 November starting at 9am with a theme of “Securing the Future”. I have been fortunate to attend one of their conferences and can highly recommend them. More information and bookings can be made on their site, or the link below.

[IRISH ISACA Chapter 19 Nov](#)

**SASIG Events**

Our friends at SASIG continue to provide free access to our Chapter members to their usually daily webinars. See the link on our Chapter site.

Also, SASIG do record your attendance at webinars and pass the details on to ourselves. However, we do not update your CPEs for these webinars. It is your responsibility to update your SASIG CPEs via MyISACA. We will be retaining the records of attendance should you be audited in the next year or two. I hope you understand and appreciate that we are all volunteers.

**Heads Up on Renewal of ISACA Membership**

I am sure you have received notification from ISACA Global that membership renewals are now open, whilst I would love you to renew asap I want to flag up an issue that may impact some of us. Once you renew you will not be able to add any
more CPEs to this year’s total. So, if you need CPEs and plan to collect some more before the 31 December hold off renewing until you have collected your CPEs.

**Link to Knowledge resources from Cymulate**

Following the excellent presentation from Tim Ager last month he has provided a link to their knowledge resources. Please follow the attached link.

[https://cymulate.com/resources/](https://cymulate.com/resources/)

**Other online training**

Our friends in the Central UK Chapter continue to offer exam training courses. Please see their November training sessions via:

[https://engage.isaca.org/centralukchapter/home](https://engage.isaca.org/centralukchapter/home)

**Charity Donation**

Those members who have been able to attend our face to face meeting in the past (remember them!) will recall we always like to thank our presenters with a gift. Since March we have not been able to do this and as a Board have toyed with a number of ideas of how we can show our appreciation for their time and effort. We met last week and agreed that in lieu of giving gifts to our speakers we would make a charity donation to CyberGirlsFirst of £500. This being a worthwhile cause which is active in our region and being IT related ticked all the boxes for us. I hope you agree.

**Finally**

Thank you for your continued support, take care and stay safe and we will see you as soon as is possible.

Regards

*John*