

# Doktor Jon's CCTV & IP Video Surveillance

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Well the dust has at last settled on IFSEC 2009, and normal service has almost been resumed, just give me another eleven months and hopefully things will eventually get back to something that loosely passes for normality. As always, there's loads to report on this month, in fact the increase in CCTV and IP Video related news received by DJ, has created it's own set of problems; just simply trying to read through it all, and then whittle it down to something more digestible. So here we go, without further ado ....

### What do you think of it so far .....?

When I started the Newsletter a few months ago, I hadn't realised just how popular it would become in such a short space of time, which is absolutely brilliant on the one hand, but then the amount of extra work it's created, was way in excess of anything I'd previously anticipated.

The real surprise has been the extraordinary response to my IFSEC Show Review, which has not only been mailed out, and downloaded from my site, but also re-printed and read in quite a number of countries, from the Americas to India, and various places in between.

Huge thanks to everyone that's kindly commented, and if you've missed seeing it, or would like to look back over the previous editions, there's now an archive page with all the Newsletter download links, available here.



### Some CCTV / IP Video Industry News in Brief

June 16th saw the official launch of the <u>new HD-CCTV Alliance</u>, set up to promote the technology and develop a common operating specification for High Definition CCTV, based on the 1920 x 1080p format (more details elsewhere in this Newsletter).

It's been revealed that Panoptec Ltd., will start shipping their revolutionary new Model P313 High Definition Body Worn Video package sometime in the autumn (fall). The compact low cost system is designed to record for 10 hours in real time, at full HD resolution, and has been designed from scratch to meet the critical needs of the Law Enforcement community.

Following <u>an article penned</u> by Mike Newton, CEO from AD Group, referring to the benefits of decentralised recording, Mark Harraway, Country Manager from Controlware has come back with <u>an alternative take</u> on Mike's proposal, published on <u>www.securitybuyer.com</u>; not quite pistols at dawn, but well worth a read through to help you decide where the truth lies.

Looking at the latest news for future events, IIPSEC 20Ten have announced their move away from Stoneleigh Park, to a new venue Cranmore Park, near Solihull in the West Midlands, UK on 3rd - 5th February '10. The Counter Terror Expo will be moving to the National Hall at Olympia on 14th - 15th April 2010, and Norbain have now confirmed that they will once again be exhibiting at IFSEC 2010.

## DJ's pick of this months CCTV related news stories ....

And the winner is .... - A 35 year old DJ from Drogheda, Eire was reportedly in shock, having won € 350,000 on the national lottery ... without even realising it. After buying the winning ticket and then absent mindedly leaving it on the counter, it was down to the shopkeeper Tom Heavy, to later trawl through the CCTV recordings to help identify the lucky individual. - source - Independent.ie

Every picture tells a story - The arrest of two brothers for drug dealing in a dive club in Queens, New York, has sparked a major controversy, after it came to light that the suspects were completely innocent. Despite the claims of undercover police officers, the clubs CCTV system proved beyond doubt that the accused had not been dealing drugs, prior to their arrest. As a result, a \$10 million law suit for unlawful arrest has been filed against the police department, the officers and the city authorities. - source - Associated Press

A flash and it's gone - Problems for the warders at Cass County Jail in Fargo, US, after an overnight storm knocked out the power supply, and as a consequence blew out many of the prisons vital CCTV cameras. - source - WDay News 6



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## DJ's pick of this months CCTV related news stories from around the globe - continued

Heading for a Falls - As part of the US Governments "Secure Border" initiative, 10 new surveillance cameras have been installed along the Niagara River, on it's approach to the Niagara Falls. The US Border Patrol have recently been strengthening their resources there in an attempt to better secure the border between the States and Canada, which historically has been a hotspot for smugglers and illegals crossing, but more recently a point of focus in the context of Homeland Security - source - Newsday.com

A community in camera - One of America's oldest towns has only recently become one of it's most watched. With a population of just 55,000 residents, the Pennsylvanian town of Lancaster which is more used to the everyday sight of Amish families travelling up the main street in horse drawn buggy's, is only now coming to terms with it's new video surveillance system based on 165 public space cameras, all monitored and operated by unappointed volunteers - source - Los Angeles Times

The Lord giveth ... - In a recent debate held in the UK parliament's House of Lords, the Justice Minister Lord Bach was fulsome in his praise for CCTV as a powerful tool in the fight against crime. Whilst highlighting the Government's commitment to video surveillance, he was quoted as saying "We have put in place a strong legislative framework to protect the rights to privacy of the individual but have constantly to satisfy ourselves that we have got the balance right". - source - Telegraph.co.uk

What goes around .... - In an initiative aimed at tackling anti social behaviour and domestic violence, troubled residents are being offered the temporary use of CCTV cameras. The South Tyneside Association Neighbourhood Watches are providing CCTV cameras on loan, and those most in need covered by any of the organisations 677 'Watch' schemes, can apply to borrow the equipment when it's needed most - source - <u>The Shields Gazette</u>

Mother knows best - A mother from Romford in Essex, UK had something to celebrate after her CCTV camera captured images of the burglar who broke into her home. After downloading the evidence she handed a DVD of the recordings over to the police, who were quickly able to arrest the suspect, who later received a four and a half year prison term when convicted at Basildon Magistrates Court. - source - Romford Recorder

Judge for yourself - A Texas state judge has been indicted by a grand jury, after being charged with damaging an SUV. It's alleged that the neighbours Range Rover was 'keyed' repeatedly, and the judge stands accused after having been recorded on the vehicle owners motion triggered CCTV camera system. The judge denies any involvement - source - NBC - KARE 11

When CCTV goes off the rails - Following last novembers terrorist attack in Mumbai, India, it's been revealed in court that there were significant problems with a vital CCTV system. Within the Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus (CST), no less than 15 of the 21 cameras installed in the train station were not working on the day, apparently due to maintenance issues. The images from the remaining cameras were described by the Special Public Prosecutor as " ... of immense corroborative value", and have been accepted as evidence by the judge. - source - <u>Sify News</u>

Don't look now ... - News from Suffolk County in the US, where the landlord of a rental property has been arraigned at court, after appearing on charges of "unlawful surveillance". It's been alleged that he installed pinhole cameras in the bathroom and bedroom of a property, which were discovered by the tenant who then immediately contacted the police - source - Newsday.com

A celebration with surveillance - The forthcoming Rath Yatra religious procession in Ahmedabad, India, will take place this year under much closer scrutiny than usual. The annual event which actually dates back over a hundred years, will for the first time see the huge wooden chariot of Lord Jagannath being fitted with up to 50 micro sized surveillance cameras, to help provide the police with unparalleled views of the massive crowds. - source - Sindh Today

Where modesty prevails - Sheikh Abdul Aziz Al-Humayyen, the General President of Saudi Arabia's 'Commission for Promotion of Virtue and Prevention of Vice' (Hai'a), has made clear that the kingdoms shopping centres (malls) will not be permitted to install video surveillance cameras; a technique that he described as "such methods which breach public privacy". - source - <u>Saudi Gazette</u>

Dogged determination frees the pup - Plumbers have used pipe inspection cameras for many years, but in a bizarre twist, one call of nature was answered when the camera was actually used to effect an emergency rescue. The drama started when a week old puppy was accidentally flushed down the toilet by his four year old owner. Despite the best efforts of the London Fire Brigade and the RSPCA, it took a gentle push from a sewer inspection camera to help move the pup into a position, where it could then be plucked to safety. As a tribute to the rescuers, the puppy has since been christened "Dyno", after the name of the plumbing company. - source - examiner.com

• Doktor Jon's current CCTV News page - <a href="http://www.doktorion.co.uk/whatsnew2.html">http://www.doktorion.co.uk/whatsnew2.html</a>



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### Recent CCTV & IP Video Industry News Releases

**HD-CCTV Alliance opens for business** Bosch's MIC Series Cameras look into the past (photo left) DM unveils new E-commerce direct supply site Fluidmesh & JVC announce partnership arrangement

Brivo makes residents safer
AD Mobile to focus on TransVu CCTV solutions Dallmeier announce their latest Cam inPix camera Industry heavyweight joins IndigoVision 'Raven FLU' Infra Red imaging used to tackle swine flu

Mobile CCTV for Fire Service Driver Training (photo right) Raytec announce free CCTV Lighting Webinars **IIPSEC 2010 Show launch announced** Muxlab launch Passive HD Balun with stereo audio **CCTV Center announce their IP Training seminars** AVT exhibits at Robots, Vision & Motion Control Show H.264 now available on Wavestore recorders DM introduces their new entry level EcoSense DVR **IQinVision receives Lenel Factory certification Chubb Security .... licensed to protect!** Remauard highlights residential remote monitoring Fluidmesh and Dotworkz offer a perfect fit

OnSSI NetDVMS deployed on large dairy farm





ioimage video analytics protects car dealership TSS mobile CCTV used by Cumbria Police Remguard Remote CCTV drops theft by 80% **IP-CCTV** helps protect APEC Peru summit **Power stations benefit from CCTV Smoke Detection** AVT appoints OpteamX as exclusive Israeli Distributor BFi Optilas announce two new appointments IP CCTV solution helps secure The Oldham College (photo left) High resolution cameras protect an indoor ski slope Ocularis comes top with Frost & Sullivan ACTi joins the Open Network Video Interface Forum (ONVIF)

Alan Lefford heads up AD Network Video service Mobotix new model Q24M camera is announced Multipix Imaging introduces Sanyo PTZ camera Mauritius Port invests in IndigoVision IP-CCTV (photo right)

Fluidmesh Vice President appointed to North America Certification lifted on Pelco Endura encoders
Thermal imagers used for coastal surveillance Pelco streamlines, consolidates global sales

IQ Access software available for IQeve Proline Cameras The Power of Pelco is on the move Basler IP Cameras now supported by OnSSI





New USB 4Port extender kit introduced Innovative display technology launched ioimage opens new offices in China RVR protects historic steam ship (photo left) **Latest news from Vivotek** Avigilon joins the ONVIF Forum **IndigoVision launches 21st Integration Module** <u>Dallmeier IP cameras integrate with SeeTec's software</u> Petrochemical Facility deploys Thermal Imaging Digital cameras used for monitoring cotton testing



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## **IFSEC 2009 Event - Industry News Release Updates**

DM welcomed Royal visitor at IFSEC 2009 (photo left)
Emergency Messaging system wins IFSEC award
New AD Network Video launched at IFSEC
Remote view of CCTV provided at IFSEC
Dallmeier looks back at IFSEC 2009
IFSEC Security Industry Award winners
Norbain announces return to IFSEC in 2010

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#### This months forthcoming Security Shows and CCTV / IP Video related Events

- 14th July CCTV Center 'IP Training & Tech Roadshow' Bristol, UK
- 15th July Raytec Specialist Lighting Webinar 2nd in a series of 4 lighting webinars
- 16th July ASC Business Club "CCTV, but not as we know it" London, UK
- 28th 30th July NFPA Americas Fire and Security Miami Beach, Florida, USA
- 11th 12th August- Midwest Security & Police Expo and Conference Rosemont, Illinois, USA
- 24th 26th August Security 2009 Conference & Exhibition Sydney, Australia
- 31st Aug. 3rd Sept. SPIE Europe Security Defence 2009 Berlin, Germany

• DJ's complete listing of Forthcoming CCTV / IP Video Shows and Events •

#### So what has been occupying Doktor Jon over the last few weeks ....

Well, I think it's probably safe to say that we do currently live in "interesting", if not challenging times. With 'alliances' breaking out all over the place, the industry has never been more keen to form development groups, aimed at bringing some level of acceptable commonality, for the benefit of all the common people. Now that in itself is not a bad thing, after all as an industry we are trying to provide and promote a technology which is often beyond the comprehension of many deploying it, much less the 'end user' clients that don't really understand the objectives, let alone the systems. And yet, there are some interesting points that have been occupying my grey matter recently. Most of the 'alliances' have been set up to address technical standards in one form or another, and yet the fundamental issue of how we start the process of producing acceptable images at the camera end, appears to be so unsexy as to be hardly worthy of a mention. Now that's perhaps not strictly true; a couple of weeks ago Bosch Security Systems held a very interesting forum aboard the good ship Symphony, gliding up the Thames.

The keynote speaker <u>Dr. Peter Ryan</u> really does know a thing or two about security, and in what could easily have been seen as a somewhat controversial speech, he highlighted the problem that "huge

amounts of money (have been) wasted on inappropriate equipment"; and in looking to address the problems, he suggested that now was a "great opportunity for industry to think about what it can do". He actually went on to suggest that we need to "start thinking in a different way". Which I suppose unsurprisingly, actually got me thinking! Not so long ago, a humble CCTV Advisor decided to start the <u>TRUSTED campaign</u>, to try and improve the quality of CCTV images that may be required to be used for evidence and detection. With the passage of time, it's become increasingly obvious that despite recognition by many of it's undoubted potential, TRUSTED really does need a much wider ranging and practical level of industry support, if it's to become an accepted and recognised route towards helping raise standards; so .... do you think you can help?



As they say in journalistic circles, that's another one 'put to bed', which I suppose is a bit ironic given that I usually find myself putting it all together in the wee small hours. As always, I do hope you found it interesting, and if you have any comments, suggestions or ideas for future editions, please don't hesitate to drop me a line:- <a href="mailto:newsdesk@doktorjon.co.uk">newsdesk@doktorjon.co.uk</a> If you happen to know someone that would like a copy, please ask them to get in touch. Of course, if you decide you don't want to receive them in the future, just let me know.

Until the next one, cheers for now .... DJ

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