

## TADANO'S ALL ELECTRIC RTS

Tadano unveiled the keenly anticipated 90 tonne GR-1000XL EVolt battery electric Rough Terrain crane at Conexpo. Deliveries begin next year with sales initially restricted to North America. A 25 tonne RT/City crane - the GR-250N Evolt - is being developed for Japan.



The E-Volt superstructure comes from the standard GR-1000XL, but a lithium ion battery pack and electric motor drive the normal hydraulic pumps, while two electric motors - one for each axle - power the drive. Tadano claims the battery is sufficient for a typical nine hour work day and can be recharged in seven hours with the onboard charger, or two hours on a Tesla fast charger. The crane can also be operated while plugged into an AC outlet. A selection switch allows for 30, 50, 75 or 100 Amp inputs. Top speed is 11 mph.

### TWO NEW TADANO TRUCK CRANES

Tadano also unveiled two new North American truck cranes - the 110 tonne GT-1200XL-2 with five section, 51 metre pinned boom and 10.3 to 17.9 metre bi-fold swingaway extension - and the 73 tonne GT-800XL-2 with a five section, 47 metre full power boom, which can be equipped with the same 17.9 metre extension. The new cranes use superstructures from the company's GR Series Rough Terrains, mounted on four axle carriers with US running gear and a travel speed of 65 mph. Axle widths and spacings are optimised for permitting, while a trailing boom dolly is available.



## GANTIC TUNNEL LIFT

Norwegian powered access specialist Gantic has teamed up with Spanish manufacturer Mecaplus to develop a new boom lift for tunnel maintenance work. The compact Tunnel lift features a two section heavy duty boom, with three metre pedestal mounted platform and a slew ring between pedestal and platform. The maximum working height is nine metres while overall weight is 7,700kg for the standard model or 8,000kg for the bi-energy.

Features include a fully dynamic self-levelling chassis - both side to side and end to end - a rotating platform with 600kg capacity, a high stowed travel speed, self-loading cable drum holder with a trailer hitch to tow an extra drum, extra air filters, a large oil cooler, a built-in electric power pack and oversized Rexroth drive motors. The first machine is going to P2P Rent, with several more already sold. The bi-energy, diesel/lithium model is due later this year.



## XCMG PARTNERS WITH BALLYVESEY IN UK

As we go to press XCMG has announced the appointment of Genesis - part of Ballyvesey Holdings - as its UK distributor. Led by Ballyvesey's Mark Kennedy, the new partnership will launch at Vertical Days. We understand a substantial stock of new machines is already on the water.



## MEC'S DUAL MODE BOOM

US aerial lift manufacturer Mec has unveiled its largest boom lift to date - the 85ft 'Dual Mode' 85-J - which can be operated as a telescopic or an articulated boom lift. The 85-J uses a heavy duty, over centre single element riser and three section boom, topped by a jib with 135 degrees of articulation. The unrestricted platform capacity is 272kg, with a maximum of 408kg.

A simple switch on the lower controls is used for mode selection. In telescopic mode the riser elevates proportionally with the main boom on a single joystick action, with a maximum outreach of 21 metres. In articulated mode the operator controls the riser independently of the boom elevation function. Maximum up & over height is six metres, with an outreach of up to 16.6 metres. The new 85-J also has two oscillating axles providing up to seven degrees of automatic frame levelling. When the two axles are parallel, the lift can travel while elevated. Four wheel steering is standard.



## 700 TONNE NARROW TRACK CRAWLER

Liebherr has announced the new 700 tonne LR 1700-1.0W narrow track lattice boom crawler crane to replace the 600 tonne LR 1600/2-W. The LR 1700 has significantly higher capacities and lift heights thanks to the stronger base machine and 3.5 metre wide H-type boom lower main boom sections which increases the lateral rigidity of the entire boom system.

For more information see the Crawler crane feature on page 17



## UPERIO AND GEDA EXPAND PARTNERSHIP

German hoist manufacturer Geda and French international tower crane rental company Uperio are expanding their partnership, adding Geda transport platforms to their sales and rental co-operation. The partnership dates back to the introduction of the Geda 2 PK tower crane operator hoist in April 2018.

Uperio added 56 units of Geda's 500 Z/ZP transport platforms to its rental fleet in 2021 for a contract at the Fécamp offshore wind farm project off the coast of Normandy. Given the growing demand for such platforms, Uperio asked for them to be added to their partnership agreement.

## NEW PRODUCTS AND PREMISES FOR LGMG

Chinese aerial lift manufacturer LGMG's has moved into its new European headquarters in Dordrecht, the Netherlands, which are 10 times the size of its previous base in Spijkenisse. The new facility needed a five month renovation and is stocked with a substantial inventory of new machines and replacement parts. The operation will also be responsible for sales and support of the company's new telehandler line.

LGMG also launched new 45ft heavy duty, dual capacity diesel powered articulated boom lift the AR14J-H/AR45J-H. The new boom offers a maximum working height of 15.9 metres, a maximum outreach of just over eight metres with the unrestricted platform capacity of 300kg at an up & over height of 7.3 metres. Outreach with the maximum 450kg capacity is 6.5 metres. Four wheel steer, four wheel drive and an oscillating axle are all standard, while the overall weight is 7.4 tonnes. The company says it plans to launch 10 further European aerial lifts and telehandlers during this year.



## SNEAK MEGA BOOM PREVIEW

We understand that Chinese manufacturer XCMG will launch a brand new, top end telescopic boom lift early next year. We have a photograph but little to no detail except that it will have a working height in the region of 70 metres, with a five section boom and three section heavy duty articulating telescopic jib.

If our sources are correct, and we have no reason to doubt them, the unit will initially be designed to European standards, with at least the first five or six shipping to Europe in early 2024. With the introduction of such a product, XCMG will join Zoomlion and Snorkel with self-propelled boom lifts over 200ft/60 metres. The 217ft Zoomlion ZT68J has yet to appear in Europe, while Snorkel's 210ft unit, the 2100SJ is only now moving into production. Given the competitive relationship between Zoomlion and XCMG we would expect the new boom - the 224ft XGS70E? - to offer around 30 metres of outreach and will apparently weigh a little less than 30 tonnes.



## TRACKZILLA MEGA TELEHANDLER

When visiting any equipment exhibition we try to choose the standout exhibit, usually ending up with several and failing to decide. Not so at Conexpo 2023! Without doubt its was the monster telehandler on the Xtreme/Snorkel stand aptly named Trackzilla, or more formally the Xtreme XR50100-G. Maximum lift height is 30 metres, while the maximum lift capacity is 22.7 tonnes but only to a height of six metres on a retracted boom for a forward reach of 1.4 metres. Capacity at full height is just under seven tonnes, while maximum forward reach is almost 17 metres with a load of 1.8 tonnes.



The behemoth which travels on four massive track units weighs 68 tonnes, has an overall length of 11 metres, an overall width that extends from 3.66 to 5.2 metres and an overall height of 3.35 metres. Features include a tilt/elevate cab, extendable wheelbase and large in cab display. The machine was designed, initially for a speciality contractor that clearly thinks outside of the box.

# FIRST LIEBHERR LR 12500-1.0 DELIVERED

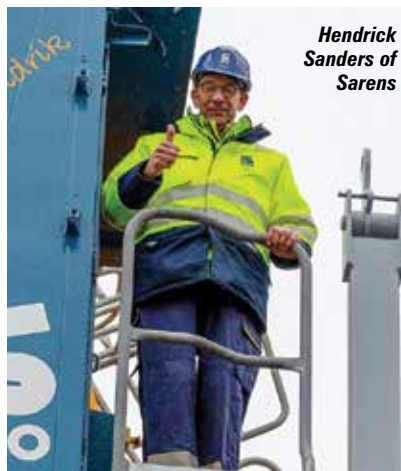
Belgian international crane and heavy lifting company Sarens has taken delivery of the first 2,500 tonne Liebherr LR 12500-1.0 crawler crane at a formal ceremony at the Port of Rostock. Sarens plans to use the new crane mostly in the renewable energy sector including offshore wind turbines.



Technical solutions, projects & engineering director Carl Sarens said: "The capacity of the LR 12500-1.0 is enormous. Operations in the renewable energy sector, such as here in Rostock, are a particular focus for the crawler crane. The handling of offshore wind turbines in ports is becoming more and more important and the individual weights of the components are constantly increasing."

Sarens has named the new crane Straffen Hendrik as a tribute to long time employee Hendrick Sanders who has worked for the Belgian company for more than 30 years and is now responsible project planning for large cranes.

The LR 12500-1.0s first job will be to help lift 50 monopiles with overall lengths of up to 90 metres and diameters of nine metres with an overall weight of more than 1,400 tonnes. It will work with an 800 tonne Liebherr LR 1800-1.0 to tandem lift them into the water. The job is expected to take around eight weeks. Including load handling attachments, the two cranes have a combined capacity at the required radius of 1,750 tonnes. The monopiles will be transported to the Baltic Eagle offshore wind farm, which is currently under construction, 30 kilometres north of the island of Rügen in north east Germany.



*Hendrick Sanders of Sarens*

## RECORD SALE FOR EURO AUCTIONS

Euro Auctions celebrated its 25th anniversary with a record-breaking sale at its facility in Leeds, UK in late March, in which 6,000 lots fetched around £60 million. Among the items that were sold included a number of relatively young telehandlers.

An example of the prices they fetched can be seen below.

Year	Model and make	specification	Price made
2021	JCB 540-180 Hi Viz	Turbo Powershift, Joystick Controls	£62,000
2020	Manitou MT1840 Easy	Turbo Joystick Controls, Sway	£54,500
2021	Manitou MT1440 Easy	Turbo, Joystick Controls, Sway	£62,000
2021	JCB 540-140 Hi Viz Turbo	Powershift, Sway	£52,000
2020	JCB 533-105 Turbo	Powershift, WLI, Forks	£40,500
2019	JCB 536-95 Turbo	Powershift, WLI, Joystick Controls	£60,000

4,888 bidders registered to take part in the sale with 84 percent bidding on line, however the physical attendance, including floor bidders and the 'camp followers' who like to turn up at each auction for the buzz of a 'big sale' was the largest the company has seen for some time.



## JLG ANNOUNCES 'CLEARSKY SMART FLEET'

JLG is to launch a new interactive telematics solution - 'ClearSky Smart Fleet' - later this year. The new development will include a next generation Internet of Things (IoT), with a platform for true two way fleet management and machine interactivity. It will eventually be standard equipment on most JLG machines.

Ara Eckel, director of product management for JLG's connected solutions said: "Telematics today can only do so much. ClearSky Smart Fleet reimagines what's possible, paving the way to a new frontier for connectivity solutions in the industry."



## TEREX TO SPLIT CRANE BUSINESS

Terex is to restructure its two Italian crane operations - both of which are based in Northern Italy - into two separate operations, Terex Tower Cranes and Terex Rough Terrain Cranes. Terex also builds the Franna pick & carry cranes in Australia which are not included in the restructuring.

Terex Tower Cranes will be managed by general manager Marco Gentilini and includes flat top, luffing jib, hammerhead and self-erecting tower cranes manufactured at its Fontanafredda facility in north eastern Italy. Nicola Castenetto has been appointed to expand the company's self-erecting tower crane business with responsibility for product development, strategic planning, sales and after-sales functions at a new dedicated production facility.

The Terex Rough Terrain Cranes business will be managed by general manager Giancarlo Montanari and will include the RT and new TRT ranges manufactured at its plant in Crespellano, Northern Italy.

Terex cranes is a part of the Terex Materials Processing division managed by Kieran Hegarty who said: "We are confident that this new structure will focus each business on strengthening their individual and unique brands. They are two completely different sets of products, manufactured in two independent facilities, it makes sense to separate them to provide more focus and clarity."



*Nicola Castenetto*



*Marco Gentilini*



*Giancarlo Montanari*

## CRANE OPERATORS ON GO-SLOW?

South Korea is investigating a large number of tower crane operators for "illegally withholding their labour or working at a 'go-slow' pace". The government believes that the operators and their union have deliberately slowed down or stopped work in order to extract additional payments from contractors and their clients.

The Ministry of Employment and Labour launched an investigation into the claims checking 547 construction sites in the country. As a result, 54 crane operators have been found to have illegally suspended work so far, 21 of which are in danger of having their operator licenses suspended for at least three months. A further 33 cases are being processed.

The action is part of the current administration's campaign against what it claims is illegal labour activity and site violence.



## NEW TROJAN AES BATTERY

Trojan Battery has launched a new premium AGM battery - the Trojan AES - aimed at aerial work platform rental fleets and floor sweepers etc... where abuse and poor maintenance are typical.

The company claims that its AES battery has up to twice the cycle life of a standard AGM, a claim it says has been validated with side-by-side testing with the AES achieving 2,500 cycles at repeated 60 percent discharges, compared to 1,200 cycles for a standard AGM. Trojan is backing the new battery with a standard three year warranty. The new battery is essentially a premium VRLA (Valve Regulated Lead Acid) version of its standard AGM (Absorbed Glass Mat).



## NEW PREMISES FOR HAULOTTE SCANDINAVIA

Haulotte Scandinavia has moved into new premises in Landvetter, to the east of Gothenburg, Sweden, close to the airport.

The new purpose-built facility includes a large yard, workshops with overhead crane, warehousing, a dedicated training room and offices. It covers the Nordic region and Baltic states through eight local dealers.



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## 3,000T HUISMAN FOR HAVFRAM

Offshore turbine installation company Havfram Wind has ordered a 3,000 tonne leg encircling crane from Dutch international crane manufacturer Huisman for its NG-2000X wind turbine installation vessel being built by CIMC Raffles.

The fully electric crane will be equipped with a 155 metre boom for a lifting height of 180 metres above deck. The crane will be manufactured at Huisman's facility in Zhangzhou, China and prepared for the next generation of tagline systems, with improved capabilities to install the latest wind turbines in more challenging conditions. It has also been optimised for installation of bottom fixed foundations in combination with Huisman's monopile grippers and pre-piling templates.



## SKYJACK DOUBLES CAPACITY

Canadian aerial lift and telehandler manufacturer Skyjack has been expanding its global production capability, increasing capacity by 235 percent compared to last year. Production facilities will increase from two in Canada to five, with the new plants in China, Hungary and Mexico. These changes will see the Canadian factories focus on the production of vertical mast lifts and scissors - both slab electric and Rough Terrain - meanwhile telehandler and boom lift production is moving to the new plant in Mexico. January saw the first telehandler - a SJ1056 TH - come off the production line of the company's new plant in Ramos Arizpe, Mexico.

Skyjack president Ken McDougall said: "Prior to Covid we were pushing the boundaries at our Canadian plants and simply had no more space. The pandemic brought new challenges that highlighted the need to revisit supply chain and logistics structures with a view towards more localisation."

Skyjack will also develop the Canadian plants as innovation hubs with an advanced engineering structure co-ordinating design and development activities across the company's three regional business units: Americas, Europe, and Asia Pacific.

Production in Europe has also increased with the expansion of the plant in Oros, Hungary, to 10,500 square metres. Production of the new SJ45 AJ & SJ60 AJ articulated boom lifts began last year, with the plant destined to supply all types of boom and scissor lifts for Europe.



## AERIAL LIFTS FOR ISLAM'S HOLIEST SITES

The facilities management division of contracting group Al Majal Al Arabi has started taking delivery of 135 Genie boom and scissor lifts for cleaning and maintenance work on the mosques of Mecca (Makkah al-Mukarramah) and Medina (Al Madinah Al Munawwarah) - the most important and holy sites in Saudi Arabia and Islam.

The new lifts, supplied through Saudi crane, aerial lift and telehandler distributor Medco, include the 60ft S-60 J and 80ft S-80 J lighter weight telescopic boom lifts which will be used for external facade and general offsite maintenance, along with a range of GS E-Drive slab electric scissor lifts for indoor maintenance, and 60ft all-electric Z-60 DC articulated boom lifts for use in general facility management and cleaning tasks.



## IAPA WINNERS

The IPAF IAPA awards ceremony was held in Berlin in mid-April. The Lifetime Achievement Award went to Hinowa founder Dante Fracca, who has retired following the company's acquisition by JLG.

The other award winners were as follows:

- Training centre of the year - Dayim Equipment Rentals of Saudi Arabia
- IPAF training instructor of the year - Anna Sarah Costa Morais of Mills Brazil
- Contribution to Safe work at height - Nationwide Platforms UK
- Scissor/vertical mast product of the year - MEC for the MMAE16 mast lift
- Mastclimber product of the year - Maber for the MBC2000 transport platform
- Vehicle mounted lift product of the year - Elliot Equipment for the E150i
- Self-propelled boom lift product of the year - Manitou for the 160 ATJ+e
- The digital development award - Alimak
- The innovative technology prize - Nationwide Platforms for its Harness On device
- Sustainability Award - Genie for its new plant in Mexico
- Diversity and inclusion Award - Vicki Allen of International Platforms - UK
- Access Rental company of the year - Sunbelt Rentals UK
- The IPAF President's Award - Reinhard Willenbrock for services to IPAF in Germany

The new The Founder's Award went to - Macarena Garcia Oliver of Movicarga, Spain  
See *IPAF Focus page*

The 2024 Summit and awards ceremony will be held next March in Copenhagen, Denmark.





## NEW BIG EFFER

Hiab has launched the new 135 tonne/metre Effer iQ.1400 HP 'super heavy loader crane' with up to a 10 section V10-Force decagonal boom providing a tip height of 25.5 metres, or a 21.48 metre radius with a capacity of 3,700kg.

The maximum capacity is 30 tonnes at 3.2 metres. A seven section jib takes the maximum tip height to almost 40 metres and provides a maximum radius of 33.6 metres, at which it has a capacity of 1,150kg. The jib can be raised by 20 degrees above the horizontal boom, or with the boom elevated to 70 degrees (maximum elevation is 83 degrees) and the jib horizontal, the up & over height is 26 metres with an outreach of 19 metres and a capacity of 1,300kg.



## STRONG ATTENDANCE FOR CONEXPO

The Conexpo/ConAg & IFPE shows in Las Vegas last month attracted around 139,000 visitors - a six percent increase on 2020 which was strongly affected by the looming Covid pandemic.

Of the 139,000 visitors 24,000 were classified as International, representing 133 countries. The sprawling layout however meant that some halls or outside areas did not see anything like this number of visitors. Having said that most crane, aerial lift and telehandler exhibitors we spoke with were very pleased with the number and quality of visitors that they saw over the five days. Conexpo 2026 will be back in Las Vegas from March 3rd to the 7th.



## KALMAR'S FIRST ELECTRIC HEAVY FORKLIFT

Austrian rail logistics service provider Innofreight Solutions has purchased the first Kalmar high-capacity heavy electric forklift for delivery later this year.

The heavy forklifts can lift up to 33 tonnes to a height of five metres. Power comes from a 670 volt electrical system, with 345KW battery pack, providing around eight hours of work, but opportunity charging of 15 to 30 minutes every two to three hours can keep the battery pack topped up for round the clock work. The company plans to replace all of its 60 diesel machines with electric models.



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# FINANCIALS ROUND-UP

## HIGHER REVENUES AND LOSSES AT AINSCOUGH

UK rental company Ainscough saw revenues for the year to September 2022 improve eight percent to £96.5 million, but pre-tax losses jumped from £1.1 million to £3.18 million, mostly due to a £2 million jump in interest costs for short term loans that have since been refinanced and higher operating costs.



## TADANO PICK UP CONTINUES

Tadano revenues for the nine months to the end of December increased 12.3% to ¥192.9 billion (\$1.47 billion). Pre-tax profits however almost halved to ¥7.6 billion (\$57.6 million) due to an exceptional gain last year of ¥10.2 billion (\$77.1 million), without this pre-tax profits almost doubled.



## RED INK AT HAULOTTE

Haulotte reported a loss for 2022 in spite of 18% revenue growth. Total revenues were €608.25 million however pre-tax profits plunged from €16.1 million in 2021 to a loss of €9.58 million, driven by €47.8 million of cost increases relating to components, energy and transport as well as exchange rate losses - mostly against the dollar.



## OSHKOSH INVESTS IN LIDAR

JLG parent Oshkosh has made a strategic investment in Australian start up business Baraja which develops advanced LiDAR solutions (Light Detection And Ranging or Laser Imaging, Detection, and Ranging) which determines distances by targeting an object with a laser and measuring the time for the reflected light takes to return to the receiver. It hopes the technology will enhance and differentiate its products in terms of safety and autonomous operation.

## €1 BILLION YEAR FOR KILOUTOU

French international rental company Kiloutou achieved record revenues in 2022 of €1.02 billion, an increase of 28.4% on the year of which organic growth was 6.6%. The company does not disclose its full accounts.



## VP TRADING STATEMENT

UK rental group Vp - owner of UK Forks, MEP and Brandon Hire - says it made good progress in the six months since November and expects to report full year results in line with expectations.



## BIGGE ACQUIRES EMPIRE

Bigge Crane and Rigging has confirmed the acquisition of a majority stake in Syracuse, New York sales and service company Empire Crane Company from owners Luke and Paul Lonergan.



## AER ACQUIRES HUDSON LIFTING

UK rental group AER Rents - owned by Ireland's O'Flaherty Holdings - has acquired lifting gear sales and rental company Hudson Lifting of East Tilbury, Essex. Hudson had net assets of £2.35 million in late 2021, with a tangible net worth of more than £830,000, as well as a very positive working capital position and strong balance sheet.



## SARENS FAMILY REGAINS 100%

The Sarens family has regained 100% of the equity in its heavy lift and transport business by purchasing the 22% stake in the business owned by Belgian entrepreneur Luc Tack through his Begoos water treatment division. The Begoos seat on the Sarens board has also been removed as part of the deal. No details of the transaction have been disclosed.

## SWEDISH ACQUISITION FOR LOXAM

Loxam's Nordic operation - Ramirent - has acquired Swedish rental company Jiab Hyrcenter and subsidiaries from owners Jiab Fastighets, Kex Invest and Ave Capital Invest.



## ANOTHER ACQUISITION FOR BAY CRANE

New York based Bay Crane has acquired fellow New York crane rental company Cranes, Inc which runs a fleet of mainly Liebherr cranes including ATs, lattice crawlers, RTs and telescopic crawlers with maximum capacities of 500 tonnes.



## FELBERMAYR TO ACQUIRE DORN

Austrian crane, aerial lift and telehandler rental company Felbermayr is to acquire aerial lifts sales and rental company Dorn Lift which distributes Hinowa, Multitel, Haulotte and Ommé products in Austria and Germany. The Dorn Lift sales operation will continue to operate as a stand alone business, while its rental operation will be incorporated into the group.

## RECORD REVENUES FOR LIEBHERR

Liebherr achieved revenues of €12.58 billion in 2022, an increase of 8% and a new record. Pre-tax profits however slumped 70% from €812 million to €246 million, due to higher costs. Mobile and crawler crane sales improved 4.6 percent to just over € billion, driven by higher sales in North America, Africa and the Middle East.



## ANOTHER ACQUISITION FOR KILOUTOU

French international rental group Kiloutou has acquired the French regional rental company Bernard Location from its owner and manager Bernard Laveau. The company is located in Montréal-la-Cluse between Lyon and Geneva.



## ASSTEAD GROWTH CONTINUES

Ashtead has posted revenues of \$7.2 billion for the nine months to the end of January, up 25% on last year, driven largely by North America. Pre-tax profits for the period jumped 33 percent to \$1.69 billion.



## FGS ACQUIRES CLEMENTS

UK group Heathcote Holdings/FGS Plant Hire has acquired Coventry based rental company Clements Plant & Access Hire from its owner Jim Longstaff who has left the business with Stuart Willy taking over as chief executive.



## PROFIT DIP FOR MANITOU

Manitou's 2022 sales jumped 26% to €2.36 billion however pre-tax profits slipped 31 percent to €79.6 million due to higher costs that could not be passed on through price increases due to the large order book/back log. The company has kicked off the year with a 48% increase in first quarter sales.



## RECORD FIRST QUARTER FOR HAULOTTE

Haulotte has reported a 45% jump in first quarter revenues to €196.3, driven by a 50% increase in new equipment sales.

## MORRIS LESLIE ACQUIRES HARBOROUGH

UK rental company Morris Leslie Plant Hire has acquired the assets of Harborough Hire Centre including its location in Market Harborough, from John and Deborah Bates.



# HAULOTTE UNVEILS HYDROGEN SCISSOR

Haulotte exhibited a prototype hydrogen fuel cell system that it is developing in partnership with Bouygues Energies & Services at the Hyvolution exhibition and Summit in Paris earlier this year.

The unit on display was an all-electric Pulseo HS 18 Pro full size electric Rough Terrain scissor lift, equipped with a removable and interchangeable Range Extender generator operating with a Bouygues Hyvision hydrogen fuel cell system.



# ONE YEAR ON FOR UKRAINE AID ALLIANCE

In the 12 months since the formation of the UK based - but international - Plant and Hire Aid Alliance the all volunteer project has handed over more than £2 million worth of aid directly to individuals in Ukraine.



Much of it was delivered in two large convoys of vehicles driven by staff of the volunteer companies. Aid provided so far includes: 1,600 mattresses, 3,000 blankets, 300 Antler suitcases, 60 tonnes of food, 50 tonnes of medical supplies, 1,500 crates of mixed aid, 30,000 Christmas presents and 135 generators.

A further convoy taking humanitarian aid via Kosice in East Slovakia is planned for October the 15th and 16th. Founder Jeremy Fish said: "The route and channel for distributing aid is now well and truly 'tried and tested' and very straightforward. If anyone would like to join the convoy, please let me know as we'll start to get a list together in the next few weeks. Also,

if any Alliance members are interested in organising events, fundraisers or are willing to lobby their contacts for donations then please get in touch. Every penny we raise goes to Ukraine, we have no overheads and everything we do is on a voluntary basis."



You too can join the alliance and join the cause by volunteering or donating directly to the generator appeal - simply go to the Alliance's Just Giving page [www.justgiving.com/fundraising/ukraine-gensets](http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/ukraine-gensets), every single penny is used to the purchase generators, with the delivery through Ukraine's Rotary Club.



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## NEWS HIGHLIGHTS

- Germany's **Kranverleih Wilhelm** has taken a **Grove GMK5150XL AT**
- Spain's **Transgruma** has taken three 20m **Multitel HX200 EX**
- UK's **Southern Cranes & Access** has taken five **Liebherr ATs** equipped with refinery kits
- Germany's **Krösche-Kran Service** has taken a 50t **Tadano HK 4.050-1** truck crane
- The UK's **CPA** has appointed **Katie Kelleher** as technical and development officer
- Italy's **Pergamo Sollevamenti** has taken a new 700t **Liebherr LTM 1650-8.1**
- Paramount Platforms** has taken nine **Hinowa** spider lifts including the first 40m **LL40.18** in the UK
- Turkish crane company **Kuşgöz İzmir Vinç Kiralama** has taken an 800t **Liebherr LTM 1750-9.1**
- Self-propelled scissor lift pioneer and access industry icon **John W. Parker** has died
- Spain's **Grupo Roxu** has taken its first **Zoomlion** platforms
- Almac/AlmaCrawler** has appointed **Karim Sinno** as sales manager, material handling
- Germany's **Schuch Heavylift** has taken eight new **Grove All Terrain** cranes
- Sweden's **Aspen Maskinuthyrning** has taken 18 **Niftylift** all-electric boom lifts
- US **Circle 8 Crane Service** has appointed **Arnold Mabee** as chief executive
- Dutch rental company **Hermis** has taken the first 70t **Tadano HK 4.070-1** in the Netherlands
- UK's **Morris Leslie Plant Hire** has acquired **Harborough Hire Centre**
- Germany's **Härzschel Kranverleih** has taken a 50t **Tadano HK 4.050-1** truck crane
- German access veteran **Thomas Hässler** has retired from **Hässler-Lift**
- France's **Freche Location** has changed its name to **FLS** and taken a new **Multitel MJ525** truck mount
- Germany's **Sahalift** has opened purpose-built premises for southern Germany
- Link-Belt's** marketing manager **Bruce Kabalen**, has retired - **Rebecca Vaughn** takes over
- King Lifting** in the UK has taken seven new **Liebherr All Terrain** cranes
- Eurasian Machinery**, the **Grove** distributor for Kazakhstan, now covers Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Turkmenistan
- Polish company **Błażej & Roman Ustugi Dźwigiem** has taken a 700t **Liebherr LTM 1650-8.1**
- Magni Telehandlers** has appointed **Patrick Degen** as business unit director for aerial work platforms
- Dublin's **Doyle Shipping** group has taken a **Liebherr** hybrid RTG crane
- Italy's **Boiano Service** has taken a 450t **Tadano AC 7.450-1 All Terrain**



Katie Kelleher



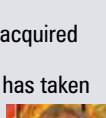
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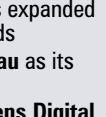
- UK company **Total Lifting Services** has taken a new **Böcker AK 52** truck crane
- Genie** has appointed **Markus Bandura** as dealer manager Austria, Switzerland and Germany
- Palfinger UK** has acquired parts, service and crane mounting company **Truck Hydraulic Service**
- Haulotte Scandinavia** has moved into new premises
- US company **TNT Crane & Rigging** has appointed a **Mark Irion** as chief executive
- German roofer **Alfred Heupel** has taken a **Tadano AC 3.055-1**
- Manitow UK** distributor **T H White's** expanded area now includes the West Midlands
- Palazzani** has appointed **Ets. Mazeau** as its distributor for France
- Manitow** has teamed up with **Siemens Digital Industries Software** to manage its products design and lifecycles
- Bob Hughes**, MD of UK distributor **CLM** has retired
- Crane and access industry veteran **David Hall** of **Skyjack** has retired
- Tadano America** has appointed **Hutton Strader** as its new product manager for ATs in the Americas
- Cadman Cranes** has taken the UK's first 80t **Tadano AC 4.080-1**
- Sunbelt Rentals** has promoted **Monica Ziegler** to the new role of chief people officer.
- Germany's **System Lift** has appointed **Sinoboom** as an official supplier
- Canada's **A.W. Leil Cranes & Equipment** has taken the first **Grove GMK6400-1** in Canada
- UK's **Ellis Crane Hire** has added a third 40 tonne **Liebherr LTM 1040-2.1**
- Maxim Crane Works** has appointed **Rebecca Bolchalk** as chief Human Resources officer, **David Reed** as VP of IT, and **Nick Oldfield** as VP digital and marketing
- UK's **Ballyvesey Holdings** has taken six 65ft **LGMG** lithium boom lifts
- A crane operator was injured when he swerved to avoid a **Kangaroo** in NSW, **Australia**
- UK's **Tracked Carriers** has appointed **Ben Dobson** as business development manager
- UK rental company **DM Cranes** has taken a second **Spierings SK1265-AT6 eLift**
- Altrad** announced the departure of most of the **Sparrows Group** leadership team
- Germany's **Schmidbauer** has taken a **Tadano GTC-2000** telescopic crawler crane
- LGMG** has a supply agreement with Italian electronics supplier **COBO**
- Hong Kong's **Gammon Construction** has taken the first **Liebherr** battery powered crawler crane in Asia
- Riwal** has promoted **Johan van Klinken** to chief commercial officer of **Riwal Holding**
- Speedy** has opened a second 'sustainable service centre' in **Leeds, UK**



Markus Bandura



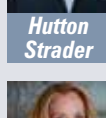
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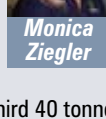
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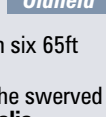
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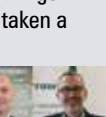
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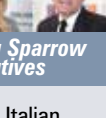
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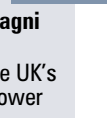
- Platformsales.eu** has taken over the distribution of **CTE** truck mounts for the Netherlands
- Magni Telehandlers** has appointed **Kirby-Smith** as dealer for Oklahoma and West Texas.
- German access and telehandler sales manager **Hans Georg Krause** has died
- Bigge Crane and Rigging** is adding a **Liebherr LRT 1130-2.1 RT** to its fleet
- Spain's **Grúas Aguilar** has taken 11 **Liebherr** cranes
- Sinoboom** celebrated its 15th birthday at **Conexpo** in Las Vegas
- Ruthmann** has appointed **Christian Roß** as head of international sales
- Chinese company **Maclift** has purchased four **Easy Lift** spider lifts
- Leguan Lifts** as appointed **Avant Tecno Italia** as its distributor
- Belgium's **Wim Verhuur** has taken 70 **Magni** branded scissors
- Nationwide Tower Cranes** has taken the UK's first **FB Gru's** new **GA301** self-erecting tower crane
- UK's **HSS Hire** has purchased 100, 19ft **Sinoboom 1932ME** scissor lifts
- UK's **Eastern Crane Hire** has taken a second **Böcker AK 46/6000** truck crane
- Austria's **W. Reitingner** has taken three new **Haulotte** aerial lifts
- Haulotte** has appointed **Sara Fakhraei** as marketing director for the Americas
- CTE** has appointed **Hydroequip** for its truck mounted platforms in the **UAE**
- Dutch manufacturer **Spierings** is to stop producing conventional diesel cranes
- Levels Above** has taken the first 14ft **LGMG SS0507E** scissor lifts in UK/Ireland
- An **Australian** crane company has been fined \$400,000 following a fatal incident in 2018 caused by a missing **split pin**
- Germany's **MSG Krandienst** has taken 13 cranes from **Liebherr** including an 800t **LTM 1750-9.1**
- Dubai's **Al Faris** has taken a **Tadano GR-800EX RT** crane
- MEC** has appointed **Paul Waller** as vice president business development
- Rental Equipment Investment Corp** has acquired **Black Mountain Rentals** of Pinewood, Wyoming
- JCB** has appointed **Keith John** as access sales manager for Europe
- Germany's **Wiesbauer** has taken a **Liebherr LR 1700-1.0**
- Tadano** has promoted **Dean Barley** to CEO **Tadano America**
- Socage** has appointed **Stefan Weber** as export sales manager
- Snorkel** has appointed **Craig Revell** as business development director Middle East & India
- Italian manufacturer **Axolift** has appointed **Pop Up Products** as its UK/Ireland distributor
- Dutch dealer **Kraan-en Truck Service** will distribute **Isoli** in place of **CTE**
- Scotland's **Global Crane Services** has taken a 220t **Liebherr LTR 1220**
- Kranlyft** has appointed **Klaas** as **Maeda** sales & service partner for Germany
- Riwal** has agreed a partnership with training company **Biom Opleidingen**
- Italy's **Issa Autogrù** has taken 25 new **Multitel Pagliero** platforms
- Indonesia's **Superkrane** has taken a **Grove GRT8120 RT** crane - the first in Asia
- Bob Francis**, the founder of **Bob Francis Crane Hire** in North Wales, has died



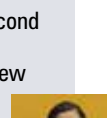
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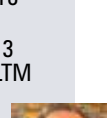
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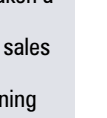
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