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A look

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2008 will be a year we all remember with the world's banks faltering, while the price of oil and food soared only to all come crashing down by year end. While the crane industry continued to do well while most of the aerial lift industry after a strong start to the year declined steeply. It was a very eventful year, hopefully 2009 will be just a little less so.

The Haulotte H28TJ+



## January

**Hewden** sells its hoist division to HTC.

**Haulotte** announces new 86ft/26 metre H28TJ+ telescopic boom lift with five metre telescopic jib.

**Cyprus & Malta** adopt the euro.



**Haulotte** sells its French rental business - Lev and Royan Levage to Loxam



**Faraone** appoints Kermco as its distributor for the UK and Ireland.

**Lavendon** merges Zoom and Gardemann in Germany and unveils new Lavendon identity.

**Haulotte** buys Horizon Argentina - a sales and rental company from Ric Stowe.

**Kenyan** violence follows disputed election result.

**Terex** begins scissor lift production in the UK.



**IPS** moves into new warehouse.

**Ingo Schiller** moves from Liebherr to Manitowoc as VP sales and marketing in the USA.

**Terex** Demag agree deal to supply 65 cranes to UK army - 59 AC35, 35 tonners and six 55 tonne AC55-1 All Terrains.



**Brian Houston**,

formerly with Turner Access and president of Pasma is awarded an MBE in New Year's honours list for services to the construction industry.



Rick Nicholls

**New president for Terex Cranes** - Rick Nicholls replaces Steve Filipov as president of Terex cranes. Filipov takes on developing markets and strategic accounts.

**Hewden** orders 283 new Caterpillar TH telehandlers

**JLG** launches 2505 super-compact telehandler

JLG 2505



**JCB** launches the new 535-125 HiViz and the 535-140 HiViz with improved visibility and productivity.

**Mammoet** acquires Convoi's Lifting Work and Maintenance Support divisions.



**BA Flight** crash lands at Heathrow

**Israel Celli** announces departure from JLG - he later joins Case New Holland.

**Niftylift** South Africa agrees to distribute Skyjack aerial lifts in Southern Africa.

**Liebherr** reveals that it is working on a crawler mounted version of its 1,200 tonne LTM11200-9.1 All Terrain crane.

**Italian** prime minister Romano Prodi is forced to resign.

**GGR-UNIC** is appointed as the Galizia pick and carry crane distributor for the UK.



Galizia compact

**Mark Carrington**, managing director of King trailers/King Highway Products parent of SkyKing, buys out his partners to own 100 percent of the equity.

Average  
OIL  
PRICE  
\$93

## February

Skyjack SJ66T

**Skyjack** unveils new 66ft boom - the SJ66T at the ARA.

**Super Bowl XLII**: The New York Giants defeat the New England Patriots 17-14

**Italian** compact self propelled aerial lift manufacturer Bravi appoints Bravi UK as its distributor.

**Marcel Claude Braud**, president and CEO of Manitou is made a Chevalier (knight) of the Ordre de la Légion d'Honneur, France's highest decoration.



**Aichi** unveils its new 'global models' of electric scissor lifts and 40/46ft straight booms.

**Fork Rent** acquires Leicestershire-based Swift Plant Hire.

**Franco German** aluminium access company, Zarges Tubesca acquires Skyworks, the Rotterdam-based access sales and rental company.

**Lloyd Spalding** 65, retires as president of Skyjack.

**Certex UK** is acquired by Axel Johnson International joining Certex companies in Denmark, Finland, Estonia, Germany, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Russia and Sweden.



Bob King and Alan Stowell

**King Lifting**, the fifth largest crane hirer in the UK, acquires ACE Crane and Engineering of Gravesend, Kent.



Bravi





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### Nord Holding

purchases a majority stake in Teupen, the German manufacturer of truck and spider lifts.

**The Northern Rock** bank is formally nationalised by the British government.

**Fidel Castro** retires, resigning as the president of Cuba after 49 years in office. Brother Raoul takes over.



Raoul Castro

**Peter Hird** opens a new business - Compact Lifting Equipment.

Life's a beach - A Sany crawler crane works on the beached ferry Riverdance



**Hiab** has acquires tail lift makers - DEL Equipment (UK) of Witney and Ultron Lift Corporation of Canada and the USA.



Peter Hird and Peter Hird

**Peter Hird Ltd** celebrates 25 years.

**Modulift** modular spreader systems launches a US subsidiary - Modulift Corporation and appoints Chris Batten as chief executive.

**No Country For Old Men** wins the Oscar for Best Picture  
**Kosovo** declares its independence



## March

**Two cranes are badly damaged** at the Port of Felixstowe after a crane delivery ship loaded with new ship to shore cranes broke free from its moorings in strong winds.

**First Sogage Metz** fire fighting platform unveiled.

**Russell Rowley** and R<sup>2</sup> Access Platforms, appointed to handle sales of Manitou aerial lifts in the UK and Ireland.

**Holland Lift** acquires a minority interest in its UK and Ireland dealer Russon Access Platforms.

**JLG** re-brands all of its aftermarket services under a single name - 'Ground Support'.



**Russian voters** elect Dmitry Medvedev as president, replacing Vladimir Putin.



Martin Davies

**Martin Davies** joins MEC.

**Unrest** in Tibet  
**Link Belt** cranes has appointed Roy Burger as its international sales manager with particular focus on spearheading the company's entry into the European market.

**Lavendon** buys The Platform Company in a deal worth £79.1 million.

**Skyjack** acquires Ingersoll-Rand telehandlers from Volvo Material handling.

**Finning** announces the merging of the business support services of its CAT dealership and Hewden rental business into a single location at Cannock.

**New Holland** unveils a new telehandler - the 600kg to 10 metre LM1060.

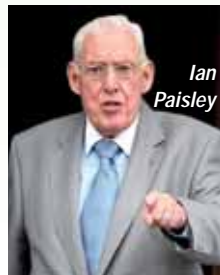
**Gold** hits \$1,000 an ounce

**Cramo** acquires Techniline from Zdenek Zilvar in the Czech Republic.

**Manitowoc** forms a joint venture with TaiAn Dongyue Heavy Machinery for the production of truck-mounted hydraulic cranes.

**Queen Elizabeth** opens Heathrow Terminal T5

**Link Belt** unveils new models at Conexpo including its largest crawler crane ever, the HC548 with 500 tonnes lift capacity.



Ian Paisley

**Ian Paisley**, first minister of Northern Ireland, announces that he will stand down.

**Pierrick Lourdain** quits Haulotte and later founds Access London with Kevin Smith.

**Spanish** tower crane company Saez unveils telehandler range.

**Wolffkran** unveils the 6015 Clear, the smallest model in its Clear Line of flat top tower cranes, with 140 metre/tonne load moment.

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**A luffing tower crane** collapses in Manhattan, killing seven people and injuring 20 others.

**Ernest Fuller**, managing director of Worldlift, owner of Denkalift and Falck Schmidt is replaced by Kent Lyngaard Vinkel.

**Ranger Equipment** adopts the trading name of The Spider Lift Company.

**A luffing tower** crane drops one of its tower sections while climbing at a job site in Miami killing two.



**Manitowoc** unveils plans for a 2,300 tonne Manitowoc model 31000 crawler crane at Conexpo in Las Vegas.

**Administrator** appointed at Blue Line Access the UK Bronto dealer.



**Ford** announces sale of Jaguar and Land Rover to India's Tata Motors

**Cramo** buys Swedish aerial lift rental company Kranab.

**Wales** achieves grand slam in Six Nations rugby.

**Eight new countries** join EU's open borders Schengen zone, leaving Romania, Bulgaria and Cyprus, who are joining later along with the UK and Ireland remaining outside.





April

**Easi Uplifts** moves into Holland.

**Norway's Kynningsrud** and Stangeland Group's merge their two crane rental businesses into a jointly held company - the Nordic Crane Group.

**Silvio Berlusconi** elected PM of Italy for third time

**Ainscough Crane Hire** acquires James Jack Group Lifting Services of Invergordon, Scotland.

**Zimbabwe** presidential elections won by Morgan Tsvangirai

**Promax** is appointed as the Bil-Jax distributor for the UK

**Comply or Die** ridden by Timmy Murphy, wins the 2008 Grand National at Aintree.



Manitou to sell UpRight TM12 under its own brand.

**Mars** buys Wrigley **Select** orders Alimak hoists.

**SGB** acquires Sovereign Access Services, the mast climber and suspended platform rental specialist.

**Tower crane** manufacturer Wilbert, moves into its new production facility.

**Two venture capital firms**, Equitec Partners and Finnish Industry Investment, acquire a majority stake in Scaninter Nokia, the mast climber manufacturer.

**Terex** acquires Hydra Platforms, the under-bridge access specialist.

**Austrian Josef Fritzl** had incarcerated his daughter in a cellar in for 24 years,



Liebherr unveils its 150 tonne six axle LTM 1150-6.1 with six section, 66 metre main boom and 93 metres maximum hook height.



Dino moves its UK distribution to The Spiderlift Company.



John Ball (R) takes over as president of IPAF.

**UK rental company** Hi-Reach adds 2,000th lift to its fleet.

**AFI Romania** opens for business.

**Bobcat** opens first company store in UK.

**Olympic torch** goes through London



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# May

**Liebherr** announces the MTC78000, a 78,000 tonne/metre offshore crane.



## Maxim Crane Works

is acquired by Platinum Equity Capital.

**The Phoenix lander** arrives at Mars.

**TIL** to build new crane plant in West Bengal.

**JCB** wins its largest ever telehandler deal from Fork Rent for 2,000 units.

**Labour** walloped in local elections

**Peter Whittall** joins Genie.

**New Zealand** driver Scott Dixon wins the 2008 Indianapolis 500

**A 1,100 tonne Lamson Translift** crane collapses at the Black Thunder Mine in Wyoming after the ground shifted under its tracks.



**Crane maker Terex** Chiangjiang sends a convoy of 105 new cranes to help with earthquake rescue efforts.



**Cramo** acquires spider crane rental company Kranentreprenören.

**Cyclone Nargis** hits Burma

**A 750 tonne Manitowoc** 18000 tips over at a Kansas power station killing one.



**Bobcat** announces new telehandler range.

**Keith Hartis** joins Kimberly.

**Zenit St Petersburg** wins the 2008 UEFA Cup after defeating Rangers 2-0

**Airtrax** the omni directional scissor lift producer stops manufacturing.

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**Bronto** announces the S78 XDT the largest telescopic boom lift so far.



**Leaning tower of Pisa** stabilised

**Alice Agosta** is

born to Davide and Virna Agosta of Svelt Ladders and Towers.



**Borris Johnson** elected mayor of London

**Silverjet** stops flying

**Riwal** acquires a 70 percent stake in Clem the Spanish

aerial lift rental company.

**A Kodiak luffing tower crane** collapses in New York, killing two men, after a weld failed on the slew ring.

**The Irish Taoiseach**, Bertie Ahern resigns after 10 years, 10 months and 10 days - Brian Cowen, replaces him.

Average  
OIL  
PRICE  
\$125

# June

## Height for Hire/Easi UpLifts

acquires a majority stake in Strojné Centrum Slovakia, the Košice, Slovakia-based aerial lift rental company. Owner Glenn Pearson remains as partner/manager.



Glenn Pearson with John Ball of Easi-Uplifts

**Mathew Taylor** replaces John Patterson as chief executive of JCB.

**A son - Frederico** - for Paola Comi and Sandrino Ferrarini of crane and access specialist Leader Italia.



**Potain** launches the Igo 42 a replacement for the HD40.

**Gottwald** port cranes appoints Dr. Robert Wassmer, 44, as chief executive.

**Riwal** acquires a 70 percent stake in 123Lift the Estonian/Lithuanian rental company owned by Aivar Brock who stay on as partner manager.

**Barak Obama** wins Democratic nomination



**Malcolm Jackman** quits as MD of Coates Hire, Leigh Ainsworth takes over.

**Alan Chew** joins MEC.

**James Delayo**, New York's chief inspector for Cranes and Derricks is charged with accepting bribes from crane operators and crane companies.

**Bryan Cronie** moves from Mammoet to Ainscough.

**Locatelli** launches the 30 tonne GRIL 8300T with 25.5 metre boom.



**Liebherr** launches Liccon2 with blue tooth.

**Terex Demag** completes expansion of its Zweibrücken plant.

**Frank Scarborough** leaves Snorkel.

**A baby daughter** is born to Peter Hird and Emma Finn of Peter Hird & Sons.

**Dirk Theyskens** and his management team acquire 100 percent of Arcomet.

**Herbert Ortner** replaces Wolfgang Anzengruber as chief executive of Palfinger.



## Belgian based Heli

celebrates 25 years in business.

**Derek C. Hathaway**, ex-chief executive of Harsco, owner of SGB, Hünnebeck and Patent scaffolding is awarded an OBE.

**Palfinger** acquires Wumag for €17.5 million.

**Ashtead** Technology sold.

**Comansa** ships first LC1100 to Vertikal Days.

**Spierings** launches new crawler crane the SK2400-R along with its expanded facilities.

**Riwal** opens new operation in Croatia managed by Durdevic and based in Split.

**Ireland** votes NO to treaty of Lisbon

**Spain wins** Euro 2008 football championship - beating Germany



Average  
OIL  
PRICE  
\$133

## Those who departed January - June 2008

January 11 - **Edmund Hillary**, New Zealand mountaineer and explorer (b. 1919)

January 17 - **Bobby Fischer**, American-Icelandic chess grandmaster (b. 1943)

January 22 - **Heath Ledger**, Australian actor (b. 1979)

February 27 - **William F. Buckley, Jr.** American author and conservative commentator (b. 1925)

March 19 - **Arthur C. Clarke**, English author, inventor, and futurist (b. 1917)



March 19 - **Paul Scofield**, English actor (b. 1922)

March 24 - **Neil Aspinall**, British record producer and business executive (b. 1942)

March 24 - **Richard Widmark**, American actor (b. 1914)

March 27 - **Roy Richards** of Richards & Wallington (b. 1931)

April 5 - **Carlo Bacchiaga** former head of Instant Italia



April 5 - **Charlton Heston**, American actor (b. 1923)

April 12 - **Patrick Hillery**, 6th President of Ireland (b. 1923)

May 26 - **Sydney Pollack**, American actor, director and producer (b. 1934)

June 1 - **Yves Saint Laurent**, French fashion designer (b. 1936)

June 2 - **Bo Diddley**, American musician (b. 1928)



June 3 - **Mel Ferrer**, American actor, director, and producer (b. 1917)

June 17 - **Cyd Charisse**, American actress and dancer (b. 1922)

June 22 - **George Carlin**, American author, actor and comedian (b. 1937)

June 25 - **Keith Hunwick**, founder and owner of ES Access (b. 1957)



Names in blue: Industry departures



July

**Rafael Nadal** wins Wimbledon defeating Roger Federer



**Scissor lift** table company Edmolift enters the push around scissor lift market with the T-Zip.

**Manitou** unveils new boom lifts including the 200ATJ a 60ft articulated boom, Bi Energy versions of its 150 and 170 AETJL booms and an all new VJR100 Evolution mast boom.

**Dutch rental company Workx** (Jaston Groep) hires Tom Zorn, previously chief executive of RSC in the USA as its new chief executive.

**Genie** launches new 17 metre/ 4,000 kg GTH-4017 SX telehandler.

**Spotted in North Germany** - A new Kobelco three axle City crane.



**Doug Sprout** takes over as chief executive of Hewden, after the sudden departure of Brian Sherlock.

**Fire destroys grand pier** in Weston Super Mare

**Dutch access company Omega** forms UpRight Holland to distribute UpRight.

**Bob Litchev** of Manitex moves from cranes to fork trucks and is replaced by Scott Ralston.

**Wolffkran** opens new 80,000 square metre production facility in Luckau.



**2,500 tonne** VersaCrane TC36000 owned by Deep South Crane and Rigging of Baton Rouge, collapses in Houston killing four employees.

**Terex** Aerial Work Platforms/Genie appoints Joe George as vice president of global sales and customer service and Siva Balakrishnan as vice president and general manager of global services.

**Church of England** agrees to have female bishops

**Omme** receives King Frederik IX's prize for exports.



Harry Lorentsen of Omme Lift receives the statuette from prince Henrik

**Manitowoc UK** moves into its new facility in Gawcott near Buckingham.

**Richard James Creedy** and **Gareth William Gillings of Capital Access** 'do a runner' after running up substantial debts.

**Ausa** introduces the M300H multi-purpose vehicle, which includes an aerial work platform.

**Alexander Knecht** managing director and chairman of Terex Demag is replaced by Doug Friesen of Terex Cranes Waverly. Marco Gentilini of Terex Bendini adds Waverly to his remit.



Doug Friesen

**Max Mosely** of the FIA, wins his privacy case  
**Seven people are killed** when crane collapses in Cai Lan port Vietnam.

**Haulotte** acquires Bil-Jax the US producer of scaffold and boom lifts.

**Carlos Sastre** of Spain wins the 2008 Tour de France



The Leader Giraffa 210

**Italian** crane and access manufacturer Leader, launches the Giraffa 210 a 21 metre telescopic truck mounted lift.

**Palfinger** launches new models in it High Performance crane range: The PK 4501, the PK 5001, the PK 6501, the PK 7001 EH, the PK 7001 K as well as the PK 12002 EH.



The Palfinger PK4501EH

**Bridon** International builds the world's largest wire rope, the Big Hydra rope.

**Golfer Pádraig Harrington** of Ireland wins the British Open



**Terex Italia** celebrates 40th anniversary.

**French** rental company Mediaco acquires Sogecofa.

**Steve King** is appointed as sales director of A-Plant Powered Access.

**Oil&Steel** launches new Snake 2010 Compact with 'Gecko' stabilisation.



August

**Manitowoc** sells its shipbuilding business to Fincantieri Marine.

**Terex** agrees to acquisition of Fantuzzi port handling cranes and handlers.



Terex Cranes UK opens its new facility in Long Crendon.

**Bob Hixon** retires as VP sales - Manitowoc/Grove North America and is replaced by David Hull.

**Lavendon** rolls-out new technical standard TechX.

**Power-Lift Germany** forms UpRight Powered Access Deutschland

**Rob Hime** joins the MEC sales team in the USA.

**Hiab** introduces EN280 platform attachments for its cranes.

**Link-Belt** cranes completes the expansion of its Louisville plant.

**Power-Lift** is appointed as Oil & Steel master distributor for Germany.

**Georgia** attacks South Ossetia and is then invaded by Russia

**Summer Olympics** open in Beijing



Hiab announces EN280 platforms for its cranes

**Pádraig Harrington** wins the 2008 PGA Championship

**Barak Obama** picks Joe Biden as his running mate, Republican John McCain - chooses Sarah Palin



**Spanair Flight JK 5022** crashes at Madrid Airport killing 154

**BAA** ordered to sell off two of its three London Airports

**Airline Alitalia** files for bankruptcy





# September

**Independent Parts and Service (IPS)** announces joint venture in South Africa with Johnson Access.



IPS Rick Mustillo and George Landsberg

**Patrice Métairie** takes over at Haulotte France.

**Magnus Rosén** appointed to head Ramirent from January 2009.

**A baby boy** born to Andrew Winter and his wife, owners of Manchester-based crane rental company Winterlift.

**Alex Lee** leaves SGB.

**Manitowoc** launches three new Dongyue truck cranes, manufactured at its joint venture facility in Tai'an, China.

**Manitou** acquires US telehandler manufacturer Gehl.

**UpRight** launches the X80ND an 80ft narrow diesel scissor lift designed and built by Omega lift.

**Kranlyft** officially opens its new facility in Molnlycke, near Goteborg, Sweden.



Kranlyft dealers celebrated the opening of the new HQ facility

**Eazzi Lift** founded to build range of push around scissor lifts.

**ALE** launches its 4,300 tonne dual boom crane.

**Jackie Hanford** leaves SED

**Wayne MacDonald** retires as senior vice president of engineering and is replaced by Timothy Hatch.



**United** pays \$14 million to settle the SEC investigation.

**The first Liebherr LTM11200** is delivered to Mammoet.



**Verania Costa Rivas** joins PSE, the Dutch based sales company.

**Arnie Dirckinck-Holmfeld** leaves Instant to join PB the Germany lift manufacturer.

**Genie** unveils new 80ft straight booms, the S80 and S85 and a new steel masted runabout - the GRC-12 'Runabout Contractor'.



**UpRight** shows the X28C a crawler mounted scissor lift.

**Aichi** unveils new elevator scissor lifts - the 15ft SV05CNS and 19ft SV06CNS, along with two 26 and 32 ft midi scissors the SV8CW and SV10CWL.

**JLG** unveils the new Toucan 10.



**HAB** shows a 15 metre 1.8 metre wide heavy-duty scissor.

**Holland Lift** launches its 1.3 metre wide 92ft/28 metre platform height scissor lift, with indoor/outdoor capability.

**BLE** is appointed as the Potain tower crane distributor in Belgium.

**Van mounted** lift manufacturer Allan Access is placed in administration, owner Phil Allan then buys the assets for £315,000 leaving creditors with £650,000 of debts.

**Matilsa** displays its 69ft Parma 23 - 23 metre self propelled articulated boom with levelling jack option.



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**Mike Wishart** leaves Access Rentals.

**Genie** breaks ground on its new plant in China.

**Palfinger** acquires Omaha Standard in the USA.

**Manitowoc** opens plant expansions in Shady Grove and Wilhelmshaven.

**Stuart Cohen** joins Instant-UpRight.

**The US** government plans to take control of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac.



JLG joins Riwal for 40 year celebrations

**Skyjack** launches the SJ46AJ, a new 46ft articulated boom and shows prototype mast type lift with the SJ12 and SJ16 Concept with 12 and 16ft platform heights.

**CERN** successfully circulates a beam through the Large Hadron Collider and is then damaged later in the month.

**Tyrone** beat Kerry to win the All-Ireland Senior Football Championship



**Morgan Tsvangirai** and Robert Mugabe reach power sharing agreement

**Channel Tunnel** fire

**Bradford & Bingley** nationalised

**Icelandic** banking crisis begins

**Lehman Brothers** files chapter 11



# October

**Trojan** launches new AC Series line of deep cycle batteries for Aerial Work Platforms.



**Zip-Up Svenska** celebrates 30 years in business.

**The Nobel** peace prize is awarded to former Finnish president Martti Ahtisaari



**Kors** celebrates 25 years and breaks ground on new facility.

**New company** - Bear Platforms - unveils its first product a 50ft/15 metre crawler mounted boom lift.



**Genie** appoints **Mike Samora** as global marketing solutions director.



**Bush** signs a \$700 billion bail out package for banks

**UK rental** and training company - Active Access appoints Ronny Traynor as general manager.

**Manitowoc** opens expansion to its Niella Tonara plant in Italy.

**Haulotte UK** appoints Craig Rooke as major accounts manager.



**The Philadelphia Phillies** win the 2008 World Series 4 games to 1.

**Alan Dotts** of Aichi USA, is appointed manager- aerial work platforms, for Toyota Material Handling- Aichi dealer for North America.

**Sany** the crawler crane manufacturer breaks ground on a new €60 million facility in Bedburg/Bergheim, North Rhine Westphalia, Germany.



The Liebherr LTM1100-4.1

**Liebherr** unveils the latest LTM1100-4.

**OJ Simpson** found guilty - faces around 15 years in jail

**Sennebogen** opens new facility in the Straubinger Hafen business park.

**Instant UpRight** appoints Argentine based Santi Araya as district manager South America.

**Delta Airlines** and Northwest merge into the world's largest airline







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# November

## Lewis Hamilton

wins the Formula 1 championship by a whisker

**The Platform Company** and Nationwide Access officially merge into Nationwide Platforms.



**Holland Lift** opens new facility opposite its current buildings in Hoorn.

**Spanish** rental companies hold crisis meeting to discuss strategies.

**Independent Parts and Service (IPS)** announces joint venture with Matilsa in Spain.

**UpRight** launches X43RT first of a three model range of Rough Terrain Scissor lifts.

**Genie** appoints **David Brotherton** as articulating boom manager.



**Hyde Park Acquisition Corp** completes acquisition of Essex Cranes and changes its name to Essex Rental Corporation.

**Barak Obama** wins the US presidential election

**Iteco** appoints **Russon Access** as its distributor in the UK.

**Hewden announces** new regional structure which merges cranes, access and plant hire.

**Brødrene Jørgensen** of Norway celebrates 20 years.

**Woolworths** in the UK goes into administration.

**Ron Defeo** and Anthony Bamford named to the AEM hall of fame.

**QE2** makes its final voyage

**Patrick Mutel** leaves Lavendon.

**JLG breaks ground** on new production facility in China



**G20** meets in DC

**Rico Trapletti** joins Schuler&Schloemmer.

**Kato pulls out** of its Euro Rigo operation in Italy.

**Haulotte** announces plans to expand its Middle East operations into Libya.



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**Link Belt** appoints Elias Saliba as district manager/district service representative for international sales.

**Edna Parker** the oldest living person in the world, died aged 115 Shelbyville Indiana.

**Aichi** breaks ground on a new wholly owned production facility in China.

**Demonstrators** in Thailand close the countries two main international airports.

**Sany** unveils big cranes - the 1,000 tonne SCC 10000 and 220 tonne All Terrain crane, the QAY 220 with a 62 metre main boom.

**Layher** the scaffolding manufacturer breaks ground on new plant in Germany.

**Genie** appoints **Rob Cavaleri** as regional manager Middle East.

**Bobby Hird** is born to Phil Hird and his wife of Peter Hird & Sons.

**Terrorists** carry out an organized attack in Mumbai

**National crane** announces that it will stop producing articulated cranes.

**Damien Green** arrested, police enter UK parliament.



# December

**Eurolev** the French crane, access and telehandler rental company is acquired by Thierry Jammes and Ever Capital, a private equity firm.

**Liebherr begins construction** on a new greenfield plant in Dzerzhinsk in the Nizhny Novgorod region of Russia.

*Liebherr's new plant in Dzerzhinsk*



**Manitou appoints Christian Caleca**, 50, as chief operations officer.

**Socage** signs partnership agreement with Shenyang North Traffic Heavy Industry Group in China.

**Winterlift** acquires Yorkshire Crane Hire of Sheffield.

**AmQuip Crane Rental** announces the acquisition of Powell Equipment Company.

**MEC delays** the launch of its boom lift models by 10 months.



**Gill Riley** wins Everywoman award.

**Aichi** appoints **Ranger Equipment** as its distributor for the UK.

**Doron Livnat** and Dick Schalekamp buy out Jaap Schalekamp giving them an equal share in Rivalw the Dutch based international rental company.

**Peter Jones** leaves Lavendon Access Services.

**White House** agrees a \$15 billion bail out for GM, Chrysler and Ford

**John Fuller** leaves Genie after 25 years

**Alex Lee** joins Access Rentals as managing director.

**Irish** pork withdrawn



\*As of Dec. 15th

## Those who departed July - December 2008

**July 4 - Jesse Helms**, American politician (b. 1921)

**July 9 - Ralf Kruse**, former MD of CCK /Crane Cooperation Kruse GmbH (1962)



**August 3 - Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn**, Russian writer and Nobel Prize laureate (b. 1918)

**August 4 - Steven Chalk** of Orion Access the UK access rental company (b.1991)

**August 10 - Isaac Hayes**, American musician (b. 1942)



**September 26 - Paul Newman**, American actor (b. 1925)



**October 11 - Jörg Haider**, Austrian politician (b. 1950)

**November 1 - Jacques Piccard**, Swiss explorer and engineer (b. 1922)

**November 4 - Michael Crichton**, American author and producer (b. 1942)

**November 12 - Mitch Mitchell**, English drummer (b. 1947)

**November 29 - Jørn Utzon**, Danish architect of Sydney Opera house (b. 1918)

**December 6 - Sunny Von Bulow** wife of Klaus after 28 years in a coma (b. 1932)

**December 18 - W. Mark Felt**, American FBI agent, "Deep Throat" from Watergate scandal (b. 1932)

Names in blue: Industry departures