



Genie unveils 180ft SX180

Genie finally revealed its new straight telescopic self-propelled boom lift at Bauma. The 180ft SX180 was bigger than expected and 30ft higher than the current record holder the JLG 1500SJ.

The new lift features a slightly unusual five section main boom, the second section has a dedicated telescopic cylinder and remains retracted unless the boom is extended to more than 150ft. The top three sections are synchronised in the same way as a regular three section boom. Another 'novelty' is the 3.3 metre articulating jib which is mounted on a slew ring and offers about 160 degrees of rotation and 135 degrees of articulation. Maximum outreach is 24.5 metres with maximum capacity of 340kg.

The new machine uses a new X type chassis which differs from the one used on the Z135/70 in that the 'legs' are fabricated rather than cast and the chassis frame is wider so that the 'legs' do not need to extend as much which helps provide a longer extended wheelbase. The extended width is just over five metres, retracting down to 2.49 metres for transport. Overall length is 12.98 metres when the jib is tucked under and Gross Vehicle Weight is 24.5 tonnes.



So how does it stack up against the 150ft JLG?

If you can move a JLG 1500SJ then apart from three tonnes more overall weight, you'll have no problem with the Genie. Specification wise it offers the same outreach, but almost 120kg more platform capacity in addition to the 30ft more working height. But its working width is over five metres.

All manner of sales statistics circulated at the show, none of which Genie was willing to confirm. However we do know that the first two units in Europe will go to the Kimberly Group in the UK and Schickling Arbeitsbühnen in North Germany.

	Genie SX180	JLG 1500SJ
Working height	56.86m	47.72m
Outreach	24.4m	24.4m
Capacity	340kg	227kg
Extended width	5.03m	3.81m
Jib length/articulation	3.3m approx/135°	7.62m
Shipping size	12.98 x 2.49 x 3.05m	13.1 x 2.49 x 3.05m
GVW	24,495kg	21,770kg

Lifetime achievement award

Harry McArdle, the founder of Irish-based international rental company Height for Hire/Easi Uplifts has received this year's IPAF/IAPA lifetime achievement award. The award was presented by newly elected IPAF president Steve Couling, whose day job is managing director of Versalift in the UK.

Paying tribute to McArdle, Couling said: "Harry was one of the first entrepreneurs to take access seriously as a rental business. He is also quick to see new opportunities in products and markets, seeing, for example, the potential of large truck mounted platforms as well as other specialist forms of access."



IPAF president Steve Couling presents the Lifetime Achievement award to Harry McArdle of Easi Uplifts

...And Couling becomes president

Couling took over as president of IPAF at the IPAF summit and awards dinner in March as previous president Wayne Lawson completed his two year term, the occasion also marked his retirement from JLG.

Other award winners included:

IPAF Training Instructor of the year: Rafael Bazzarella of SkyJack.

Best New IPAF Training Centre of the year: The Sheet metal workers 33, Cleveland, USA.

Product of the year - Mastclimbers and Hoists: Scanclimber SC8000 Eiffel Transport Platform.

Product of the year - Vehicle/Trailer Mounted lifts: Ruthmann Steiger T540 truck mounted lift.

Product of the year - Self-Propelled: Cormidi KB-X spider crane/lift.

Product of the year - Low Level: ReachCraft of the USA for the PowerLift.

Award for outstanding after sales service: Independent Parts & Service (IPS), UK.

Contribution to safe working at height: AFI-Uplift, UK.

IPAF safety champion: Kevin O'Shea, Mastclimbers, USA.

Access rental company of the year: Industrial Access, Romania.

Further coverage along with the photo album will appear in the June issue of the magazine.

More changes at Manitou

Access and telehandler manufacturer Manitou has appointed François-Frédéric Piffard as vice president sales and marketing, following the previously announced departure of Henri Brisse. Piffard combines the new role with his responsibilities as vice president new business. Chief financial officer Hervé Rochet takes over as company secretary from Hervé Saulais who will leave the business.

Agnès Michel-Segalen joins the company as a non-executive director, replacing interim chief executive Dominique Bamas who stepped down as a director when he took over as chief executive from Jean-Christophe Giroux in March. Bamas thanked Saulais for his contribution and said: "In the current period of the consolidation of our functions, I'm choosing a closely knit team with intimate knowledge of the group, its customers, its employees and its history."



François Piffard

Terex Cranes restructures

Terex Cranes is restructuring its mobile crane organisation on a regional basis to ensure that sales and support for all cranes are made locally, rather than by the factory supplying the product. As a result Harry Bussmann has been appointed managing director, Terex Cranes Europe, Middle East, Africa and Russia, while Dan Slater becomes general manager, Terex Cranes North America. The company is currently looking for a head of Terex Cranes Latin America to be based in Sao Paulo, Brazil.

Danny Black, general manager, Terex Cranes Australia/New Zealand, Dan Micheau general manager, Terex Cranes China, Carsten von der Geest, director of sales for Terex Cranes China and South East Asia and Martina Moritsch, Terex Tower Cranes all continue in their current positions.

"These changes will require a transition period to implement," said Terex Cranes president Tim Ford. "I am confident that they are the right step for our business allowing us to leverage our experience, act with more speed and deliver results that grow your business more effectively."



Tim Ford

A future for Denka

German distributor Rotherhner has acquired the design rights and replacement parts business for Denka trailer lifts.

The company will offer worldwide product support for all Denka products from its base in Germany and is investigating the resumption of production in Germany. Chief executive Manfred Rotherhner said: "We want to finish the turbulent times of Denka and bring the brand back to his strong position. Before the first deliveries of new machines will happen, some challenges need to be solved."



A Denka trailer lift

Largest Manitex truck crane

US boom truck specialist Manitex has launched its largest crane to date the 70 ton/63tonne TC700. While the new crane has boom truck heritage it is very much a commercial carrier mounted truck crane with a 38.1 metre four section main boom and a 54.9 metre maximum tip height when fitted with a two part extension.



The new Manitex TC700

The TC700 has been designed as a 'global' machine and is CE compliant, designed to be fitted to a wide variety of trucks. Overseas it will be fitted to a four axle chassis, while five and six axle factory installed configurations will be available for North America.



The two Bronto XRs at Bauma, the XR65 sold to Janneniska and the XR56 to Jalo & Jalo of Turku, Finland

Bronto unveils XR range

Bronto Skylift launched its new XR range of truck mounted lifts at Bauma, the first two models are the 56 metre S56 XR and 65 metre S65 XR which will eventually replace the XDT range. The S65 XR features a five section main boom, long two section jib and short articulating 'sky jib' which features more than 160 degrees of articulation. Mounted on a 26 tonne three axle truck, it offers up to 40 metres of outreach and 700kg platform capacity - 600kg with the hydraulically telescoping platform option. It also offers 15 metres of outreach at an up and over height of around 40 metres.

Bronto said it has focussed on lower running costs, and a greater working envelope per tonne of Gross Vehicle Weight. The new models have up to 15 percent more outreach and a 35 percent better working envelope. The two new units have an overall length of less than 12 metres, low axle weights, rear wheel steer, all-wheel drive with Hydro-Drive, 180 degrees platform rotation, Bronto B+ Geometric Control System, longer outrigger jacks for levelling on slopes up to 10 degrees, faster auto levelling, fully variable jacking widths, a 2,000kg lifting eye on the main boom and a 300kg platform winch or 1,300kg boom winch.



Bronto claims a record breaking 40 metres of outreach on the XR65

New owners and management at Holland Lift

ProDelta Investments - the owner of crane and access rental companies Rival and Hovago - has acquired heavy duty scissor lift manufacturer Holland Lift. Former director and majority shareholder Menno Koel has left the company and is replaced as managing director by Thom Sijs.

The company says that it agreed the full takeover in January and that Koel stepped down on May 1st in order to give the new owner a free reign to take the company into a new growth phase. ProDelta said: "ProDelta Investments sees a strong potential for growth in the organisation thanks to increasing international demand for Holland Lift's high quality products across a large number of countries."

Speaking to Cranes & Access late last month Sijs said that his first objective is to improve the supply chain, improve production efficiencies to help bring down the long lead times that the company has become known for.

More in our big scissor lift feature in the June issue.



Thom Sijs



Record turnout for UK tower crane meeting

The UK's CPA Tower Crane Interest Group annual open meeting in late March attracted a record attendance with around 110 delegates participating in the one day meeting.

The presentations covered a wide range of subjects with a strong focus on the effect of wind on cranes and their foundations. Senior inspectors from the Health & Safety Executive - Joy Jones and Ian Simpson - also provided useful updates including an outline of the type of questions that the HSE asks following a tower crane incident.



Some of the principal points that were covered included:

- When calculating tower crane foundation loads a storm blowing from the front is the worst case and can inflict 25 percent more stress than normal operation.
- Out of service wind loads should be calculated with C25 and D25 wind speeds in the UK.
- Wind loading calculations should be in line with EN 14439 as well as looking at wind from the front, rear and side (FEM 1.005).
- There should always be a simple method statement of how the tower crane is to be removed when the contract is completed.
- Since 6th April the need to notify a tower crane event on the register has ended.
- The UK Safe Crane Campaign to reassure the public, needs industry support by putting posters (available from posters@safecranes.org.uk for free) on site hoardings.
- Site contractors are responsible for rescuing people from a tower crane – not the tower crane rental company. The emergency services may be able to help but not all areas have the capability to do so.
- Any crane or equipment with a height of 10 metres more than surrounding structures (or over 10 metres when working in a flat field) within six kilometres of an aerodrome, requires the aerodrome to be informed. If the crane is more than 300ft (91.4m) high the Civil Aviation Authority also needs to be informed and if taller than 150 metres it needs obstruction lighting.



Bronto racks up the orders

Bronto Skylift has had a sparkling start to the year in terms of orders and deliveries in the UK. Nationwide Platforms ordered 10 new units including a number of 38 metre S38XDT, 50 metre S50XDT-J and 70 metre S70XDTs.

Easi UpLifts also continues to build its UK base. Director Fergus McArdle has relocated to the UK to help build the business as it looks for a suitable candidate to head its international truck mounted rental operation. As part of this expansion the company has ordered three 50 metre S50XDT-Js and three of new Bronto 55 and 65 metre XR range launched at Bauma. The company's third 90 metre S90HLA's is also due for delivery this month along with three more 70 metre S70XDTs.

Easi UpLifts is adding more big Bronto truck mounts to its fleet



First Terex Superlift 3800 delivered

Terex Cranes has delivered the first of its new 650 tonne Superlift 3800 crawler crane to Ulferts & Wittrock in Germany with a 153 metre main boom and a 12 metre light fixed jib in combination with a Vario-superlift system with counterweight tray.

Co-owner Klaus Wittrock said: "We believe in investing in the latest technology to maintain our leadership position and perform jobs all over Europe, so transportability and efficient use of counterweight is a huge plus for us."

Hermann Ulferts added: "We own a Terex TC2800-1 lattice truck crane and a CC2800-1 crawler crane and are very satisfied with their performance. We were positively surprised by what the Superlift 3800 is capable of. The fact that a crane of this class can erect 150 metre turbines is a remarkable achievement."



Crane operator Albert Schroer at the controls



The Superlift 3800's boom goes up at Ulferts & Wittrock yard

Mammoet takes 1,000 tonne Liebherr

The new 1,000 tonne Liebherr LR 11000 crawler crane on its Bauma stand was purchased by heavy lift and moving specialist Mammoet. The company's fleet now includes examples of every Liebherr crawler crane over 300 tonnes. The new crane was ordered with the PowerBoom option which boosts capacities, allowing it to compete with a 1,300 tonne crane in some areas.

The company said: "The new LR 11000 crawler crane supplements our range between the LR 1750 and LR 11350. After the prototype was unveiled, discussions about the concept of the crane were quickly followed by the decision to buy one."

Mammoet has taken the Liebherr LR1100 from Bauma.





The crane and platforms are mounted on an RS type wagon

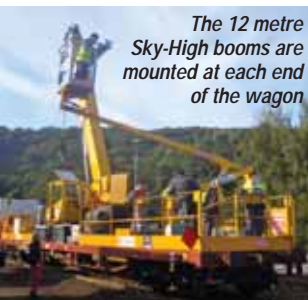
Railway crane and access

Belgian crane distributor Belgian Lifting & Equipment Company (BLE) has built and delivered a special rail mounted crane and access maintenance unit to rail construction and maintenance company Duchêne, for the installation of overhead electrical wires throughout the country's rail network.

BLE opted for a 30 tonne Grove RT530E-2 superstructure with a 29 metre main boom, reducing its maximum capacity to 14.3 tonnes at a three metre radius and 1.2 tonnes at 12 metres. It then removed the standard steel counterweight replacing it with an unusual shaped lead one that was significantly more compact. Once mounted on an 18.66



The counterweight on the RT530E was changed to a more dense and compact one made of lead



The 12 metre Sky-High booms are mounted at each end of the wagon

metre long RS model railway wagon it added the superstructures from two 12 metre Sky-High AC powered 120MA boom lifts, one at each end of the wagon.

The machine was then equipped with a variety of safety devices to ensure stability of the crane and platforms, along with railway requirements, including specialist electronics, automatic axle locking, slew limiters and emergency generators.

Bakers dozen for ALE

International heavy lift and haulage company ALE has taken delivery of 13 new Terex cranes - three All Terrains and 10 Rough Terrains. The RT order includes two 75 tonne RT 75's, four 35 tonne RT 35's and four 60 tonne A600s. The three All Terrain cranes include a 250 tonne AC 250 and two 100 tonne AC 100's.

The cranes will be used to support its activities in the Middle East and Africa. ALE's regional director of Middle East and Africa Richard Peckover said: "Following operator training, all the cranes are meeting our expectations and performing satisfactorily on a day-to-day basis."



The 60 tonne A600 which has a maximum tip height of 55 metres



A line of Terex Rough Terrain cranes destined for ALE

A 500 tonne Liebherr LTM 1500-8.1

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£12 million investment for Port Services

Port Services Group of Invergordon and Aberdeen, Scotland has confirmed a £12 million investment programme, after winning a number of new contracts within the wind energy market, as well as increased activity in its core Oil & Gas business and the securing of a five year £20 million contract from the Global Energy Group.

The equipment - due for delivery within the next four months - includes a 750 tonne Liebherr LTM 1750-9.1, a 500 tonne LTM 1500-8.1, two 220 tonne LTM 1220-5.1 and a 130 tonne LTM 1130-5.1. The heavy transport equipment includes 16 Goldhofer THP SL axle lines, an 8x4 250 tonne MAN tractor head and a 160 tonne payload low bed insert attachment.

Port Services managing director Steve Clark said: "Securing contracts with high-profile international organisations such as the Global Energy Group has been a key part of our growth strategy, this coupled with a generally very busy oil and gas market with good visibility moving forward, and with our recent emergence as a player in the wind energy market has given us the confidence to make this major investment in our heavy crane and transport division."

Atlas and Effer move closer

Loader crane manufacturers Effer and Atlas have extended their UK co-operation agreement to other dealers in the Atlas network. All Atlas crane distributors now have the opportunity to add Atlas branded Effer cranes to their product ranges, following the success of the agreement launched in the UK in October 2012.

Effer branded cranes will also be sold and supported by Atlas dealers in a number of countries with particular emphasis on Germany and the Middle East, where Atlas has a strong network. The Effer cranes will be sold by Atlas in Germany and other markets in Atlas orange and branding, while the Effer brand and yellow colour will be used in the UK. At Bauma Atlas unveiled the new Atlas AK 955, built by Effer.



The Atlas AK955 built by Effer

15 big Genie booms for Kimberly

UK-based rental company, Kimberly Group has placed an order for 15 Genie 135ft self-propelled articulated boom lifts, including 12 units of the existing Z135/70 and three of the recently launched ZX135/70s. Kimberly chairman Ray Ledger said: "This order reinforces our position as a major provider of big booms and further investment in big booms is likely in the next few months."



The new Genie ZX135/70.



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Chunjo's Manitowoc 31000 carries out its first lift - a 250 tonne vessel

Manitowoc 31000 for Chunjo

Chunjo Construction of South Korea has taken delivery of a 2,300 tonne Manitowoc 31000 crawler for work at a liquefied gas from coal plant operated by Posco E&C in Gwangyang, South Korea.

The 31000 is making a series of 12 heavy lifts, the first of which was 250 tonnes, while rigged with 55 metres of boom and a 60 metre luffing jib. Chunjo also purchased a further three 600 tonne Manitowoc 18000 crawler cranes taking its fleet to 12 – the world's largest fleet of 18000s.

Eleven new crawlers for Weldex

UK-based crawler crane specialist Weldex has ordered 11 new Liebherr crawler cranes worth €20 million. The order consists of seven telescopic crawlers, including three 220 tonne LTR 1220s, two 100 tonne LTR 1100's and two 60 tonne LTR 1060. The lattice boom models include one of new 1,000 tonne LR 11000, a 250 tonne LR 1250 and two 600 tonne LR 1600's. The cranes will be used for projects in the oil, gas and renewable energy sectors.



Klaus Huberle (L) handing over the keys of the new Liebherr LTR 1220 to Iain McGilvray at Bauma.

More JLGs for Horizon

UK-based Horizon Platforms has ordered 90 new aerial lifts from JLG. The latest order will take the fleet of the Yorkshire-based business to around 500 units, with the bulk of the new machines going to its recently opened North West location in Warrington. The order is made up of 19, 26 and 32ft ES electric slab scissor lifts and E300 and M450 articulated booms which will be equipped with JLG's SkyGuard anti-entrapment system, an option that the company says it will specify on all future JLG boom lift orders.



(L-R) Ben Hirst and Ruairi Duggan of Horizon take delivery of a new E300 AJP boom lift from Edward Price of JLG at the new Warrington facility

Lifterz gives Dingli a try

UK rental company Lifterz has placed a 'sample order' for Dingli electric scissor lifts with the new UK/Ireland distributor Oswald Record. The deal comprises at least eight units including the 19ft JCPT0807DC and the 26ft JCPT1012DC models.



(L-R) Benjamin Bowers of Lifterz takes delivery from Stan Launchbury of Oswald Record

Lifterz joint managing director Benjamin Bowers said: "I was so impressed when I saw the Dingli product at Vertikal Days last year, it included some of the best componentry in the machines along with direct electric drive, so I expect our customers will be well pleased when they turn up on site."



The first of three Liebherr 630ECH 40 tower cranes is erected on the new Forth road crossing

First crane for the New Forth Bridge

The first tower crane for the new Forth Bridge in Edinburgh, Scotland has been installed using barge-mounted crawler cranes. The crane - a 40 tonne Liebherr 630ECH 40 - is the first of three identical cranes that will be used to build the three 207 metre towers that support the new bridge. As the towers are built the cranes will be climbed to a height of well over 200 metres.

The Liebherr was supplied and erected by Streif Baulegistik one of Europe's largest tower crane rental companies. The 2.7km bridge will cost £790 million and replaces the 1964 suspension bridge which is suffering from weakened suspension cables, failed expansion joints and mounting maintenance costs. The iconic 1890 railway bridge continues in active service. The new bridge is expected to open in 2016.

First UK Tadano ATF400

Welsh rental company Davies Crane Hire has ordered the first 400 tonne Tadano ATF 400G-6 in the UK. The new six axle All Terrain was displayed at Bauma and is scheduled for delivery in early June complete with the Heavy Duty Power System and a range of extensions, including the 76 metre luffing jib. The new crane will be the 12th Tadano crane in the Davies fleet and be based at its recently

opened Cardiff depot, in order to offer coverage over a wider area and to help reinforce the company's presence in South Wales.



Davies new Tadano Faun ATF 400G-6 was the star of the Bauma stand.



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Financials round up

Manitowoc profits jump

Manitowoc Crane achieved first quarter revenues of \$574.4 million - up 7.8 percent thanks to on-going improvements in North America. Operating income climbed more than 46 percent to \$31.3 million.



Telehandler sales boost JLG

Half year revenues at JLG increased 10 percent to \$1.39 billion thanks to a 34 percent jump in telehandler sales to \$514.3 million. Aerial lift shipments were flat at \$631.5 million. The company's backlog slipped around 17.5 percent to \$778 million. Operating profit increased 38.9 percent to \$95 million thanks to higher prices and efficiency initiatives.



Hiab slips

Loader crane manufacturer Hiab has reported a five percent fall in first quarter revenues to €192 million, while order intake declined 12 percent to €216 million. Operating income plummeted from €7.5 million a year ago to €2 million this year, including €1.6 million in restructuring charges.

Kalmar does better

Hiab sister company Kalmar, fared better with revenues up one percent to €323 million and order intake rising nine percent to €366 million. Operating income was 13 percent higher at €7 million.

Profits soar at Terex Crane

First quarter revenues at Terex Cranes improved three percent to \$470.9 million, while operating profit more than doubled to \$32.5 million from \$13 million last year. The Material Handling and Port Service business had a bad start, with revenues down almost 23 percent, while operating profits plummeted from \$600,000 last year to a loss of \$29 million this year. Terex as a whole saw revenues decline over five percent to \$1.72 billion, while pre-tax profits improved 14 percent to \$34.4 million.



Genie goes higher

Terex AWP/Genie boosted first quarter revenues by 21 percent to \$509.1 million, while operating profits jumped almost 85 percent to \$72.4 million. The company's backlog at the end of March was \$577.3 million, 10 percent up on last year.



Soft start for Lavendon

International rental company Lavendon saw first quarter revenues slip four percent, seven percent in the UK and 12 percent in both Germany and Belgium, while France improved two percent in a tough market. The Middle East continued to outperform with revenues up 34 percent. Net debt at the end of the quarter was up £14 million to £111 million due to increased capital expenditure.



Profit record for JCB

2012 revenues were flat for JCB at £2.7 billion, however it claims that in terms of profits it was the best year in its 67 year history, with 'earnings' reaching £365 million.

Slow start for Haulotte

First quarter revenues at Haulotte slipped five percent to €84.5 million, with reductions in new equipment, parts & service and rental. The falls were largest in North America - down 23 percent - while Europe declined 11 percent, South America rose 42 percent, and Asia Pacific 15 percent. Haulotte says that order intake was maintained and that it expects to be on plan for the full year.



Record revenues for Liebherr

Liebherr managed a 9.2 percent rise in revenues during 2012 to €9.1 billion - a new record. Total crane sales - including mobile, tower and maritime cranes were up almost seven percent to around €3.35 billion. Mobile cranes improved 12 percent to just over €1.94 billion, while the tower crane and concrete technology division was roughly flat at €580 million and maritime crane sales improved three percent to around €830 million.



Cramo back to red

Finnish international rental company Cramo saw first quarter revenues drop 7.2 percent to €148.5 million, while last year's pre-tax profit of €2.4 million turned into a loss of €2.3 million this year.

Profit hike at Skyjack

Linamar's Industrial division, which includes Skyjack, saw revenues decline 2.7 percent to \$137.5 million. However profits more than doubled from \$6.5 million last year to \$14.3 million this year, thanks to improved margins and a better product mix.



Rami goes cold

First quarter revenues at Ramirent fell seven percent to €152.8 million, while pre-tax profits leapt 42.5 percent to €15.2 million, however this includes a €10 million one off gain on its Russian business which merged with Cramo under the FortRent banner.

Ruthmann up 25%

German truck mounted lift manufacturer Ruthmann has reported sales of €95 million for 2012, an increase of 25.5 percent on 2011. No profit or other information was disclosed.



Manitou stumbles

Manitou revenues fell 14 percent in the first quarter to €271.8 million. However it says order intake remained strong. Telehandler and aerial lift sales fell 22 percent to €171.9 million, while revenues at Gehl increased 21 percent to €64.8 million. The company does not post profit details in its quarterly statement. Profits for the year were £20.8 million, on revenues four percent higher at £234.6 million. Underlying profits showed an even stronger improvement.





Riders suspended from the cranehook

Bauma 'circus rides' concerns

IPAF - the International Powered Access Federation - raised serious concerns with the Bauma authorities over tower crane 'pleasure flights' during the Munich exhibition last month. The rides - organised by AirEmotion on the stand of truck manufacturer Paul-Nutzfahrzeuge - used a Liebherr 81K self-erecting tower crane owned by Nagel with a 50 metre hook height. A strongly worded letter from IPAF chief executive Tim Whiteman to Georg Moller of Bauma asked the organisers to "immediately ban the use of cranes for circus rides at Bauma". They chose not to but Conexpo took the opportunity to confirm that it would not allow anything similar at its event next year.

Lifting people with cranes for entertainment purposes has always been a controversial area. In a work environment this should only occur if there is absolutely no other access method that can be used. The European material handling federation - FEM - published a position paper on the subject in May 2011 which virtually outlawed the lifting of people for entertainment purposes. It subsequently modified the guidance after an appeal from 'Dinner in the Sky'. One concern about the Bauma ride was that those taking part might drop their cameras onto those below however we understand that cameras could only be used if they had a safety strap.

France Elévateur acquires CTE France

France Elévateur has acquired a controlling interest in CTE France - the CTE, Paus and Unic distributor - following a period under the protection of French insolvency rules. The company was previously owned by Paus, CTE Italy (which had a 40 percent holding) and CTE France's president Christian Cazabat.

France Elévateur now owns an 80 percent stake while CTE Italy and Paus each retain a 10 percent holding in the business. Cazabat has sold his shares and is now marketing manager for France Elévateur.

CTE France is now part of the France Elévateur group.



Tanfield issues more shares and looks to sell Snorkel

Tanfield, owner of Snorkel aerial lifts has issued and sold 10.5 million new shares in order to raise £2.1 million gross. The net proceeds will be used for general working capital purposes. At the same time the company said that it had received several approaches to buy Snorkel and has appointed an advisor to assist with the sale.



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- Kevin O'Shea of Mastclimbers LLC is moving to Canadian mastclimber manufacturer **Hydro Mobile**.
- The powered access division of Brazil's **Mills** increased first quarter revenues by 35 percent.
- **CMC** has appointed **Hydroline Oman** as its distributor.
- **Riwal France** has opened its 10th location in Ozoir-la-Ferrière south east of Paris.
- Luxembourg's **Eurolift System (ELS)** has appointed **Oliver Feldbusch** as commercial director.
- **Oil&Steel** has appointed **Steko** as a service partner in Bavaria.
- **Mielly Transport Manutention** of France has purchased a 40 tonne **Valla 400E**.
- **Ramirent** has made changes to its internal management structure.
- **Kalmar** has acquired Spanish crane refurbishment and maintenance company **Mareiport**.
- **St. Peter Port Guernsey** has taken delivery of a **Terex HMK 170 E** mobile harbour crane.
- Beirut crane rental company **Transport Houmani** has taken delivery of a **Liebherr LTM 1040-2.1**.
- **Hiab** has appointed **Carl Gustaf Göransson** as senior vice president of its global markets business unit.
- **Mantall** has officially appointed **Istanbul Vinç** as its sole distributor in Turkey.
- UK-based **Emerson Crane Hire** has ordered a **Tadano ATF90G-4** and **Liebherr LTC1045-3.1**.
- Equipment manufacturer **JCB** has produced its one millionth machine.
- UK-based **Platform Hire** has opened a depot in South Wales.
- **Sarens Nass** has taken delivery of the 400th **Liebherr LTM 1500-8.1**.
- Component manufacturer **SME** has appointed **IPS** as a distributor in the UK.
- US-based **Trico Lift** has appointed **Chris Carmolingo** as chief executive.
- UK-based **Prolift Access** has taken delivery of a range of new **Niftylifts**.
- **Beyer Mietservice** has ordered 20 **Snorkel A38E** boomlifts.
- **My Wish Enterprise** has been appointed as the **Bobcat** dealer for Ethiopia.
- UK-based **Emsley Crane Hire** has invested £3.4 million in five new **Liebherr** cranes.
- **Elebia** has appointed **Red Plant** in the UK and **Pavlinek** in the Czech Republic.
- **R&B** has appointed **Sin Heng Heavy Machinery** as its distributor in SE Asia.
- **Sennebogen** has appointed **Gaya Makmur Tractors** as Indonesian crane and green line distributor.
- UK rental company **Nationwide Platforms** has appointed **Rob Owen** as commercial director.
- Texas-based **TNT Crane** has acquired **TSD Crane & Rigging** and **Greenery Construction & Maintenance**.
- **Bigge Crane and Rigging** has ordered four **Liebherr LR 1300 SX** crawler cranes.
- Russian rental company **LTECH** has added two **R&B** spider cranes to its fleet.



Kevin O'Shea



Oliver Feldbusch



Carl Gustaf Göransson



Chris Carmolingo



Rob Owen

- **Haulotte UK** has appointed **Claude Dubé** as technical service manager and **Sarah Price** as sales administrator.
- The **MacAllister** family has acquired access rental company **Titan Equipment**.
- **Niftylift** has been won **Queen's Awards** for Innovation and Export.
- **Trojan Battery** has appointed **REMS Batterie Industrielle Services** as a master distributor.
- **Al Mazrooei Engineering Services** has opened a new **Hiab** service centre in Dubai.
- **Niftylift** has appointed **IPS France** to provide parts and service.
- **Cementation Skanska** ordered two **Kobelco CKE 800G** crawler cranes.
- UK access industry veteran **Rab Paterson** has died.
- Stockholms **Höjdliftar (SHL)** has ordered a **Bronto Skylift S65XR**.
- **Riwal UK** has achieved the **IPAF Rental+** accreditation for all of its UK locations.
- UK-based rental company **Vp** has appointed **Phil White** as a non-executive director.
- **Niftylift** won **HAE** awards for best new product and supplier of the year.
- **Snorkel** has unveiled the new 43ft **S4390RT** Rough Terrain scissor lift.
- **Simon Cracknell** has joined **Skyjack** as director of business development Asia.
- **Multitel Pagliero** has launched a new 68.5 metre **MJ685** truck mounted platform.
- **Atlas Maschinen** and Finnish port loader company **Mantsinen** have formed a strategic partnership.
- **Beyer Mietservice** of Germany has purchased 59 new scissor lifts from **PB Lifttechnik**.
- Germany's **Megalift** has taken delivery of a 350 tonne **Liebherr LTM 1350-6.1**.
- **3B6** has appointed **Hird** as its UK dealer for load monitoring devices.
- **A-Plant** has appointed **Simon Coveney** as director of its **Acrow formwork** division.
- **Collé Rental & Sales** has purchased 10 **H.A.B. TR16JD** tracked telescopic platforms.
- Dutch rental company **Boels** is joining the **SmartEquip** network in Europe.
- **ZF Kama** has taken delivery of the first **JMG** industrial crane in Russia.
- UK-based **Prolift Access** has opened a new depot in Ringwood, Hampshire.
- **Outreach Access** has taken delivery of a 70 metre **Palfinger**.
- **Harsco** has appointed **F. Nicholas Grasberger** as chief financial officer.
- US crane company **Deep South** has taken delivery of a **Terex AC 500-2 All Terrain**.
- **Link-Belt** has appointed **Bakheet Company** for Machinery as distributor for Saudi Arabia.
- German rental company **Eisele** has taken delivery of a new 750 tonne **Liebherr LTM 1750-9.1**.



Claude Dubé



Rab Paterson



Simon Cracknell



Simon Coveney

- US-based **NES Rentals** announced a cash offer for \$150 million of its **Second Lien Notes**.
- US-based **Safway** has appointed **Paul Amedee** as vice president of safety.
- UK-based **Timbermat** has opened a depot in Forth, Lanarkshire, Scotland.
- **Skyjack** has appointed **George Fitchett** as vice president sales/national accounts.
- **Baldwins Crane Hire** in the UK has taken delivery of a **Liebherr LTM 1500 8.1** and **LTM 1350 6.1**.
- **Dimitrovgrad Automobile** of Russia has taken delivery of a **Valla 120D** crane.
- **Roy Airington**, owner of Modesto-based **California High Reach** has died.
- **Terex Port Solutions** has delivered its 1,500th mobile harbour crane.
- UK-based rental company **Horizon** has opened a new location in Warrington.
- **Liebherr Container Cranes** is to deliver six rail mounted gantry cranes to **Jubail Commercial Port** Saudi Arabia.
- **Ainscough Crane Hire** has taken delivery of the UK's first 750 tonne **Liebherr LTM 1750-9.1 All Terrain** crane.
- UK crane rental company **John Sutch**, has taken a **Liebherr LTM1200-5.1** and a **LTC1045-3.1**.
- **Speedy UK** has won a £6 million a year rental contract with the **National Grid**.
- **Barnhart** is acquiring **Steel City Crane** of Birmingham, Alabama.
- Australian rental group **Boom Logistics** has appointed **Howard Critchley** as a non-executive director.
- Australian-based **Boom Logistics** has purchased 16 new lifts from **ACM**.
- Canadian **Strongco** reported lower profits on a 10% rise in revenues.
- **Liebherr** has established a new crane sales/service subsidiary **Liebherr Mexico**.
- **Indiabulls** has purchased eight **Potain** cranes for a development in Mumbai.
- **ProDelta Investments**, owner of **Riwal** and **Hovago** has acquired **Holland Lift**.
- **Galizia** has started shipping two new models, the **GF25** and **Multis 215**.
- **CTE** has appointed **Hematec** as distributor for its **B-Lift truck mounts** in Germany and Austria.
- US-based **Albuquerque Crane Service** has taken delivery of a 250 tonne **Terex AC 250-1 All Terrain** crane.
- **Ian Grooby**, CEO of the **Crane Association** of New Zealand has died.
- Brazilian dealer **Ser Global**, has purchased four 55 tonne **Zoomlion RT55** Rough Terrain cranes.
- **PM group** is merging its **PM** and **Oil&Steel** operations under chief executive **Luigi Fucili**.
- **H&E Equipment Services** has reported a 22.3% increase in revenues.
- **Hertz Equipment Rentals** reported a 16.2% increase in first quarter revenues while tripling pre-tax profits.
- Australian **Custom Ladder Company** has launched its **Stockmaster Lift-Truk** in Europe.



George Fitchett



Howard Critchley



Ian Grooby

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