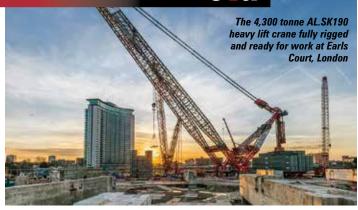
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London's largest crane

ALE's 4,300 tonne AL.SK190 heavy lift crane is now fully rigged, tested and ready to begin work on site at Earls Court in London.

The crane will lift and remove 61 large concrete portal beams from over the London Underground lines that lie below the former exhibition centre. The beams, which supported the exhibition centre, were installed when the building was erected in 1935 and need to be removed to enable a major new development on the site. The smallest beam weighs 80 tonnes while the largest is 1,500 tonnes. The crane is rigged with 120 metres of boom and is apparently the largest crane ever to operate in London. The lifts which were due to start at the end of March will be carried out at night, after the last District Line underground train has passed through the tunnels beneath. Work is expected to conclude by the end of the year.

Manitou acquires Terex Construction India

In late March Manitou acquired Terex Equipment Private which operates from a production facility in Greater Noïda, India.

Founded in 2003, the company designs, manufactures and distributes construction equipment - mostly backhoe loaders and skid steer loaders - with revenues of around €30 million, mostly in India and Southern Asia. The deal, which includes designs, assets and the facility, is expected to complete during the first half of 2017.

Magni breaks its own record

Magni Telehandlers kept very quiet about its new record breaking RTH6.46 SH 45.6 metre/six tonne 360 degree telehandler until unveiling it at Conexpo.

Weighing in at 30 tonnes, it has a forward a reach of 33.5 metres and a capacity at full height of 2,500kg. Powered by a Mercedes Tier 4 final diesel, overall width is 2.54 metres, overall length 8.85 metres, and overall height 3.2 metres - with a 7.3 metre outrigger spread. More details in the June Issue of C&A.





Genie has launched replacements for its current 105ft S-105 and 125ft S-125 telescopic boom lifts, both featuring the company's new mini X chassis first seen on the SX 135XC. The new models, the SX-105 XC and SX-125 XC are more than just a chassis change though, they also have the XC dual platform capacity of 300 and 454kg with Genie's new integrated platform overload system.

Both machines feature an automatic operating envelope adjustment system, with the boom retracting smoothly when the platform reaches the extent of its range. For example, should the fully telescoped boom be lowered with more than 300kg in the platform the boom will retract as it is approaches the minimum angle permitted with that extension and capacity.

Both booms are equipped with Tier 4F/Stage IIIB diesels and a redesigned heavy-duty generator. The overall width of both machines is 2.49 metres when retracted and 3.94 metres extended. The SX-125 was shown to some customers back in September in order to obtain feedback on the key design features. The company has also revamped its 135ft ZX135 articulated boom by mounting it on the new Mini X chassis, reducing its overall operating width by more than a metre to that of the original ZX135.

UK crane and platform exemption to end

The UK is preparing legislation to require smaller cranes, truck mounted lifts and other road going specialist equipment such as concrete pumps to be subject to an annual commercial vehicle road worthiness inspection/MO



annual commercial vehicle road worthiness inspection/MOT test . The legislation is currently planned for May of this year, but would not come

into force until 12 months after publication. Cranes mounted on specialist carriers that currently come under the UK's STGO rules will remain exempt from the requirement, at least for now. However industry association the CPA is pressing ahead with its voluntary inspection programme for all cranes that most crane hirer's have already agreed to sign up to.

Two new Tadano Mantis tele crawlers

Tadano has launched two new Mantis telescopic crawler cranes - the 60 tonne GTC-600 with a four section 38 metre boom and the 80 tonne GTC-800 with a five-section 43 metre main boom.

The cranes are designed for the global market, and automatically switch between load charts for level ground to those for slopes of up four degrees. More details in the May issue of C&A.

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The Tadano Mantis.

80ft Hybrid from JLG

JLG has launched a new 80ft true Hybrid articulated boom lift, the H800AJ. The new machine is based on the standard 800AJ, but is completely different in terms of the power pack driving the main hydraulic pumps and the counterweight which partly consists of a substantial AGM battery pack, sufficient to operate the machine for a full shift. The AGM batteries are sealed and maintenance free.

The power pack comprises a smaller Kubota Tier 4 Final diesel - in place of the normal Deutz coupled to a large electric motor which works as a generator to top up the battery pack when in diesel



mode, with the engine also powering the hydraulic pumps. When extra power or 'grunt' is required for steep inclines or heavy mud conditions etc, the electric motor kicks in and adds the additional required horsepower to the diesel. As such it is described as a parallel Hybrid system.



From the pumps on, the machine is absolutely standard with four wheel hydraulic drive, oscillating axle with four wheel steer option. Platform capacity is 230kg, with 16.8 metres outreach, 26.3 metres working height and an overall weight of 15.6 tonnes. The new lift will be available worldwide towards the end of this year.

Hewden auction sell out

One of the largest ever auctions of new All Terrain cranes was held at the Newark Showground in the UK at the start of March, with auctioneer Euro Auctions disposing of 127 cranes from the Hewden fleet.

Around 500 buyers and observers attended, while 15 percent of winning bids came from online buyers - in total there were 1,500 registered bidders. Crane

capacities ranged from 30 to 220 tonnes -25 of them over 100 tonnes. The sale also included accessories such as ballast, test weights, slings, mats, chains, shackles and boom extensions were also on sale.

The stars of the event were surely the two 2016 five axle 220 tonne Tadano ATF 220-G5 cranes which fetched £725,000



each, while at the other end of the capacity spectrum, a 2002 30 tonne Terex Demag City crane went for £39,000. 36 cranes were bought by UK-based companies including one of the 220 tonners, while buyers from 30 countries bought the rest. The largest overseas bidders came from the Netherlands, Finland, Oman, Australia, Chile and Japan. The sale raised a total of £28 million.





New Haulotte 80ft articulated boom

Haulotte has launched a new 80ft articulated Rough Terrain boom. the HA26RTJ. The new boom offers an improved working envelope with 17.4 metres of outreach, 9.2 metres up and over reach and a dual platform capacity - 250/350kg - although this is optional. Four wheel drive with oscillating axle and hydraulic differential lock are all standard giving 45 percent gradeability.

The company says that boom rigidity has been significantly improved, while automatic soft stop damping added when each function reaches its full extension. In order to improve visibility the HA26 can be driven at full speed with the jib fully raised, as long as the boom and risers are stowed. It also includes Activ Shield Bar 2.0, an improved secondary guarding system, now fully incorporated into the upper controls. All of the company's latest technology is also included, such as the Activ Lighting system, Activ Screen and Stop Emissions engine interrupt, which the company says can deliver a 20 percent fuel saving.

...And a 20ft mast

Haulotte also unveiled a new 20ft mast type lift, the Star 20, in the USA, with direct AC electric drive, roll-out deck and multistage cylinder lift.

Certified for both indoor and outdoor work, the new machine is based on the 13ft Star 6 AC, but has a larger heavier five section mast and additional counterweight. Weighing in at 1,170kg, it features both lateral and longitudinal fork pockets and active pothole protection. At the moment there are no plans to launch this exciting new product in Europe.



Loxam acquires Lavendon

By mid-February Loxam had acquired 91.5 percent 6 LOXAM of Lavendon's equity and applied for compulsory acquisition of the remaining shares, at the same time it applied to delist Lavendon shares from the London Stock Exchange.



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New Grove telescopic crawler

Grove GHC30

Grove has unveiled the 30 tonne GCH30, its smallest telescopic crawler crane to date. It joins a range that includes the GCH55, GCH75 and GCH130. All four of which are built by Sennebogen in Germany. Deliveries are scheduled during the second quarter.

As with the other GCH crawlers they are only available in the Americas, sold through the Grove and Manitowoc dealer networks and supported by Manitowoc Crane Care. The GHC30 features a three-section 25.2 metre telescopic boom with an optional 6.5 to 13 metre offsettable swingaway extension, taking the maximum tip height to 40.2 metres. Attachments include a two-man work platform, a boom mounted hydraulic auger and a pole claw.

Deliveries will begin in mid 2017.



The Grove GHC30

section full power

features a three

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Nationwide adds 64 spiders

UK rental company Nationwide Platforms has taken delivery of 56 Hinowa and eight Teupen spider lifts. The Hinowa Lightlift platforms include the 15.4 metre 15.70, 17 metre 17.75 MK2, 20 metre 20.10 MK2 and 25.7 metre 26.14.

The new order adds to the 36 Hinowa lifts the company purchased last year. Powered by either a diesel engine or Lithium-ion battery pack, features include 230kg unrestricted platform capacity and the ability to pass through standard single doorways. The platforms were delivered by Hinowa distributor APS. The eight Teupen units are the 31 metre Leo31Ts with a 250kg platform capacity and 17.7 metres of outreach with an overall width of 1.58 metres.



Crawler crane incident

UK contractor St James Group has reported a serious incident with a 40 tonne Hitachi-Sumitomo SCX400T telescopic crawler crane that occurred on a London job site in January. The crane was lifting a compressor when the boom dropped rapidly until it bottomed out in the horizontal position. Fortunately no one was hurt or injured. An inspection revealed that a fitting connection to a pressure gauge on the pressure side of the lift cylinder had fractured, allowing hydraulic oil to escape, causing the boom to descend.



The incident was reported to the Health & Safety Executive and a joint investigation launched by the crane owner Eagle Crawler Cranes Hire and Hitachi distributor NRC. All parties confirmed the failure of an adapter that connected the pressure transducer and gauge to the cylinder. An independent report by Penenden Engineering indicated that the failure was due to fatigue, although the part does not have a given service life.

The recent communication from the contractor stated that it wanted to bring the incident to the wider attention of crane owners and users to highlight a misconception which exists that in the event of such a failure the cylinder's Holding/ Lock/Check valves will still support the boom.

A 40 tonne Hitachi SCX400T telescopic crawler crane

SPS expands wide platform range

Netherlands-based manufacturer Smart Platform Solutions has extended the number of boom lifts that can be equipped with its four metre extrawide platform, and has added a five metre wide version.

SPS originally launched is extra wide platform range with a four metre aluminium unit for the 40ft JLG 400S and this and a five metre wide version have now been developed for boom lifts with articulating jibs including the JLG 460SJ, 860SJ and 1350SJP. The 86ft Manitou 280TJ straight boom and 46ft 160ATJ+ articulated boom, plus Haulotte's 69ft HT23RTJ straight boom.

Platform capacities range from 230 to 270kg for the JLG and Haulotte models to 270 to 320kg for the Manitou models. The units maintain a very similar working envelope to the standard models and are aimed at cleaning or installation work on large facades or sound barriers alongside highways.



Snorkel material lifts

Snorkel has launched a range of six material lifts ranging from 3.5 metre/340kg capacity to a 6.9 metre/295kg capacity. The new range essentially badged and beefed-up versions of the Lift Smart product range - falls into two families with three models in each.

The MLC line includes the 3.5 metre ML12C with 340kg capacity, 5.1 metre/318kg ML18C and the 6.9 metre/295kg ML24C. The MLM range -

with a shorter mast height to pass through a standard doorway without a tilt-back system - includes the 3.8 metre ML12M with 318kg capacity, 4.4 metre/272kg ML16M and 5.5 metre/295kg ML20M. The MLM range is aimed at industrial and warehouse applications where loads may need to be moved throughout a facility.

All models feature a dual-handle, shift-onthe-fly, two-speed winch, a cable guard and heavy-duty non-marking casters. Quick-fold stabiliser legs do not require tools, making set-up easy, and non-marking wheels allow the lifts to move easily.



Demag migrates to smaller ATs

Terex Cranes is to apply the Demag branding to some of its smaller All Terrain cranes, staring with the three axle 55 tonne AC 55-3 and 60 tonne AC 60-3. It will also be used for the new 45 tonne City crane - a Virtual Reality version of which was seen at Conexpo.

Both the AC55 and AC60 feature a 50 metre main boom, while the AC60 can be equipped with a 16 metre extension. The booms on both cranes can be lowered to five degrees below horizontal for easy rigging from the ground and outriggers can be positioned completely independently, with the IC-1 Plus calculating the load chart based on the crane's actual configuration. The cranes have an automated counterweight rigging system with optional remote controls, allowing the operator to rig and operate the crane from the ground in order to make it an easy one man operation.









JMG Cranes has launched a new 58 tonne battery electric pick & carry crane - the MC580 - which features a chunky four-section full-power telescopic boom with boom nose mounted hook.

The four-section counterweight telescopes with the rear axle for additional capacity although it does make the crane longer. The crane has a fully equipped cab, radio remote joystick controls, a seven inch information screen, front wheel AC direct drive, rear 180 degree steer with counter rotating front wheels, allowing it to rotate on the spot through 360 degrees with full load on the hook. Options include a 30 tonne fork attachment, quick-fit front levelling outriggers and a winch.



Manitowoc has launched a new 13.6 tonne Shuttlelift carry deck crane - the SCD15. Designed from the ground up for the general rental market, the SCD15 has a standard, three section 12.5 metre boom, with the option of a four-section, full-power 15.4 metre alternative. A 4.6 metre swingaway extension is also available for a maximum tip height of 21 metres with offsets of up to 30 degrees.

The boom nose can also pivot forward by up to 80 degrees for greater clearance height when lifting in low headroom environments. The operators cab is a full 127mm wider than previous models, with a split cab door with sliding glass windows, a full LED lighting package and a graphical, easy-to-learn Rated Capacity Limiter (RCL) system are also included. Power comes from a Tier IV Final Cummins diesel, without the need for diesel exhaust fluid (DEF). Alternatives include a gas/propane engine and Tier III Cummins for export. Three mode four wheel steering is standard.





Further restructuring at Kobelco

Kobelco has announced further changes to its crane distribution organisation in South East Asia. Singapore-based Kobelco Cranes Southeast Asia will merge into Kobelco International, also based in Singapore, which will handle regional crane sales and service while Daya Kobelco Construction Machinery Indonesia will handle both crane and excavator sales in Indonesia. All regional crane and excavator companies will now report to Thailand-based Kobelco Construction Machinery Southeast Asia (previously Thai

Kobelco Construction Machinery).





Atlas unveils new crane

Atlas cranes has unveiled a new 4.6 tonne/22 metre loader crane, the 290.2E with eight hydraulic extensions and a maximum lift capacity of 4.6 tonnes, or 620kg at 20.74 metres.

The 290.2E has a total weight of 5.3 tonnes and offers 410 degrees of slew. The first company to take delivery of the new crane is Luxembourg-based Delvaux through Atlas dealer Carosserie Comes.



The first Atlas 290.2E arrives in Luxembourg

Palfinger completes Solid range

Palfinger has announced six new models in its 'Solid' range with load moments of between five and 19 tonne/metres.

The models include the PK 13.501 SLD 1 and PK 13.501 SLD 3, both of which have load moments of 13.1 tonne/metres. The PK 14.001 SLD 3 which is 14 tonne/metres and the PK 14.501 SLD 5 which offers 14.5 tonne/metres. The range is made up of two further variants - the PK 13.501K SLD 3 and the PK 14.501K SLD 5. The cranes are available with up to five hydraulic extensions for an outreach of 14.8 metres.

The new cranes have been designed with an eye towards the road maintenance and municipality market, simple work which does not require special equipment. Replacing the SLD series the new cranes have a higher lifting capacity with similar or lower overall weights. They are also equipped with High Speed Extension which increases boom speeds by up to 30 percent.





Jekkos for Boels

Netherlands-based international rental company Boels has taken delivery of a Jekko SPX424 spider crane with 20 more units on order.

The SPX424 has an 8.5 metre five-section main boom and can handle a tonne at a height of nine metres. Maximum tip height with the hydraulic telescopic jib installed is 15 metres with a capacity of 300kg. Maximum radius with the jib is 11.9 metres at which point it can lift 130kg.

Link-Belt approves synthetic cable

Link-Belt has approved Samson's new K-100 synthetic hoist rope on its full range of cranes.

Designed specifically for mobile cranes, the synthetic rope was launched at Conexpo 2014, the result of a joint development between Samson and Manitowoc which had worked exclusivity on the cable for the first year. It is 80 percent lighter than wire rope and features torque-neutral technology, eliminating load spin and does not require lubrication.





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Call Financials round-up

Companies reporting on a calendar year have now mostly filed their year-end results, in general they do not make comfortable reading.

Steady as she goes at Skyjack

Skyjack has reported sales for the full year of \$866.4 million, almost two percent higher than in 2015 thanks to higher sales of scissor lifts in Europe, North America and Asia, along with a strong pickup in US telehandler sales partially offset by lower boom sales in North America and Europe. Operating profits were seven percent lower at \$145.2 million.



Profit slump at Haulotte

Haulotte has confirmed full year revenues up three percent to \leq 457.8 million, while net profit after tax dropped 16 percent to \leq 23.3 million. The fall is due to competitive pressures in Europe, where the company saw most of its

growth last year, and exchange rate issues particularly with the UK. The product mix also helped contribute to lower margins.



Full year losses for Manitex

Manitex - which also owns PM, Oil & Steel and Valla Cranes - has reported a 10 percent fall in full year revenues to \$288.96, with a pre-tax loss of \$16.57 million compared to a loss of \$6.97 million in 2015. Sales in the lifting business were down 11 percent to \$173.0 million due to lower sales of Manitex boom trucks to the energy market and lower sales of PM loader cranes. Additionally the division sold fewer large capacity cranes, resulting in lower margins and an operating loss of \$1.07 million compared to a

profit of \$72,000 last year. The ASV division saw revenues decline 11 percent due to a 50 percent reduction in sales to CAT, but managed to maintain profitability due to increased higher margin sales to distributors.



Ashtead continues to fly high

Ashtead, owner of Sunbelt Rentals in the USA and A-Plant in the UK, reported a 25 percent hike in revenues for the nine months to the end of December. Total revenues were £2.69 billion with strong growth in both the US and UK. Pre-tax profits for the period were more than 25 percent higher at £584 million.

Sunbelt revenues in dollars were up nine percent to \$2.69 billion, with an operating profit of \$840 million, also nine percent up on the year. In the UK

A-Plant revenues increased almost 15 percent to £301.7 million, with an operating profit of £50.4 million - more than seven percent higher than last year.



A-Plant takes Kier Hoist

Ashtead also announced that its A-Plant business acquired the Kier hoist

business along with a five year supply contract. The asset purchase deal includes all relevant equipment and ongoing business of the Kier hoist division, which will be incorporated into GB Access, A-Plant's specialist personnel and materials hoist sales and rental operation.



Wacker Neuson slips back

German telehandler and compact equipment manufacture Wacker Neuson has reported its full year results. Revenues slipped one percent to €1.36 billion, while pre-tax profits dropped 16.5 percent to €81.4 million. Revenues in Europe and the Far East/Asia were up on the year, while sales in North America declined. The company is however optimistic for the year ahead.



Herc Rentals - previously Hertz Equipment - has reported its full year revenues of \$1.55 billion - down 7.5 percent on 2015. Last year's pretax profit of \$156.9 million however was converted to a loss this year of \$4.9 million due to costs associated with the company's separation from

the Hertz car business, lower revenues and substantially higher interest costs. 2015 profits were also inflated by a \$50.9 million gain from the sale of the French and Spanish business.

Tough year for H&E

US sales and rental company H&E Equipment saw revenues fall almost six percent to \$978.1 million in 2016, due mainly to lower new and used equipment sales which fell 17 and 18 percent respectively. Rental revenues edged up half a percent.



Pre-tax profits dropped 22 percent to \$59 million. Rental rates fell 0.6 percent over the year, while physical utilisation declined 1.2 percent to 69.7 percent with a slightly larger fleet.

Positive year for Alimak

Mastclimber and hoist manufacturer Alimak posted full year revenues one percent higher at just over SK2 billion (\$228 million) with stronger a performance from construction and rental markets offset by lower industrial revenues due to a slow-down in oil & gas activity. Pre-tax profits were 42

percent higher at SK281.4 million (\$31.3 million), while order intake during the year improved 1.5 percent to SK2.14 billion (\$238 million.)



Further declines at Terex Cranes

Terex Cranes has posted its full year results with revenues down 19 percent

to \$1.27 billion, while last years' operating profit of \$56.3 million was converted to a loss this year of \$321.7 million due to substantial restructuring costs. The order book/ backlog at the end of December was \$323 million, down from \$407 million at the end of 2015.



Challenging year end for Genie

Genie achieved full year revenues of \$1.98 billion in 2016, 12 percent lower than in 2015, due to lower rental company replacement business in North

America, along with flat sales in Europe. Operating profits for the period slumped around 34 percent to \$177.4 million. The backlog/order book at the end of December was \$506 million down from \$570 million at the end of 2015.



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HercRentals



15m pick-up from CTE

CTE has launched a new pick-up mounted platform - the 14.7 metre Zed 15.2 for mounting on either the Isuzu D-Max 4x4 or the Toyota Hylux 4x4 chassis

The new platform has 6.3 metres of outreach and a platform capacity of 230kg with the 1.4 metre by 700mm basket having 120 degrees of platform rotation. The unit has 360 degrees of continuous slew with a 2.75 metre square outrigger footprint. Gross Vehicle Weight is three tonnes.

Heli to merge access operations



Belgian sales and rental company Heli is to merge its Heli Equipment division with the High & Safe suspended platform and scaffold business that it acquired in October.

HIGH and SAFE

New Irish crane

Bosslift's new 50 tonne

company

A new crane hire company - Bosslift - has been opened in Ireland with its headquarters in Cootehill, **County Cavan.**

Founded by crane industry



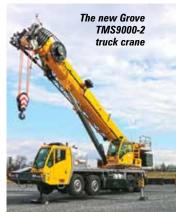
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veteran Cathal McNally, the new company will also be opening locations in Dublin and Belfast and has kicked off its fleet with a 50 tonne Liebherr LTC1050 City-type All Terrain crane and a five axle 250 tonne Grove GMK 5250L.

New Grove truck crane

Grove unveiled a new four axle 100 tonne US truck crane at Conexpo the TMS9000-2 which replaces the TMS9000E.

The crane features a new, 51.6 metre six section Megaform Twin Lock boom with manual offset or luffing bi-fold swingaway options and additional inserts. It is 363kg lighter than the 9000E in spite of its longer boom, and has been optimised to comply easily with various US road regulations. Load charts are five percent better than its predecessor. According to chief executive Barry Pennypacker the new crane was designed from scratch in just six months.







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• UK-based Cadman Cranes has

- appointed **Dave Dye** as sales director. • Germany's **I&H** has taken a 220t
- Tadano ÁTF 220G-5 All Terrain crane.
 Scotland's Easy Reach Access has ordered two Teupen spider lifts, a Leo31T and Leo35T.
- Germany's Megalift has taken three Liebherr LTM 1250-5.1 cranes and ordered an LTM 11200-9.1.
- UK-based John Sutch Cranes has taken a CR-200Ri city-type All Terrain crane.
- Jacco Hartkoorn has joined the Holland Lift international sales team.
- Whirlpool UK was fined £700,000 after a fatal platform incident.
- Italian rental company MinoEge has taken three Socage platforms.
- Van den Brink Hoogwerker en Kraanverhuur has taken the first Genie SX-135XC in the Netherlands.
- Croatia's Zagrebtrans and Poland's Crane Rental have ordered large Demag cranes.
- UK's GT Access is equipping 180 machines with
- Trackunit technology.
 UK-based Lifterz has recruited Malcolm Oliver-White and Stuart Harling.
- Scottish rental company Whyte has taken two Liebherr LTM 1130-5.1 All Terrain cranes.
- Northern Ireland's Clerkin Elevation has taken a 42m Ommelift 4200 RBDJ.
- French rental company High Rent has taken delivery of a Genie SX-180 boom lift.

Malcolm

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- France's **Mediaco** has ordered 25 **Demag** All Terrain cranes.
- Germany's Beyer-Mietservice has taken delivery of 40 Manitou MT 625H telehandlers.
- Riwal Denmark has taken delivery of a 33 metre TCA Falcon FS330Z spider lift.
- Empire Crane of the US has ordered two Tadano Mantis telescopic crawler cranes.
- Hiab has appointed Nikolaus Scheurer as vice president, marketing and communications.
- Middle East Sarens Nass has ordered 15 Demag AC-130-5 All Terrain cranes.
- Sennebogen has appointed Estonia's ScanBalt Crane as Baltic states dealer.
- UK-based Mann Crane Hire has ordered a 50t Tadano ATF 50G-3 All Terrain crane.
- US-based Groves Equipment Rental has ordered a 51t Grove GRT655L Rough Terrain crane.
- Bronson Crane has ordered the first Potain Hup 40-30 self-erecting tower crane in the USA.
- India's Sanghvi Movers has ordered 18 Grove GMK6300L All Terrain cranes.
- Germany's Hamburger Hafen und Logistik has ordered 11 Kalmar diesel-electric straddle carriers.
- US-based R.H. Marlin Crane Rental has taken a 250t Grove GMK 5250L All Terrain crane.
- Crane 29 in Bristol docks, UK has been converted to a one bedroom hotel room.
- Access industry veteran Erwin Müller has died age 65.
- US Bragg Crane Service has ordered two 400t Liebherr LTM 1400-7.1 All Terrain cranes.
- UK's Bob Francis Crane Hire has ordered a 220t Tadano ATF 220-G5 All Terrain crane.
- India's Sanghvi Movers has ordered seven 650 tonne Demag CC 3800-1 crawler cranes.

 Scotland's LoadFast Systems has added
 Dylan Clifford and Ryan Ferguson to its team.
 US-based Crane and

Rigging has ordered eight **Liebherr** All Terrain

cranes.

- UK/Irish Cork Crane Hire has taken a Spierings SK1265-AT6 mobile tower crane.
- US-based Bigge Crane & Rigging has ordered a Potain MDT 219 flat top tower crane.

Ireland's Doyle Shipping Group has taken a Liebherr LRS 545 reachstacker.

- Barge Terminal Tilburg has taken five Kalmar Gloria reachstackers.
- Dave Bendle, Skyjack service manager Europe, Africa and the Middle East is to retire.
- Liebherr will supply a 3,000t HLC 295000 marine crane to Belgium's Deme.
- Poland's Corleonis has taken a 250t Demag AC 250-5 All Terrain crane.
- India's Mtandt has ordered 158 new platforms, telehandlers and cranes for its fleet.
- Cristof Seidenather, managing director of Lebus Germany is handing over the company to a third generation.
- Germany's HHLA Frucht-und Kühl-Zentrum has taken a Gottwald G HMK 4406 mobile harbour crane.
- **Dubai Parks and Resorts** has taken the first **Genie** Z-60/37DC booms in the Middle East.
- UK-based City Lifting has taken delivery of its second Raptor 184 articulating luffing tower crane.
- UK's Global Energy Group has taken a 35t Kato CR-350Ri City-type All Terrain crane.
- Austria's Prangl has promoted Gerhard Eisenkölbl to Geschäftsführer of the company.
- Germany's MSG Krandienst has taken a 160t Demag AC 160-5.
- Italy's Messina Group has taken nine Kalmar Gloria DRG450 reachstackers.
- Scotland's Truck Plant Services has taken a new tri-axle trailer from Andover Trailers.
- Singapore's Tat Hong has announced the
- resignation of **Tse Po Shing**.
- Scotland's EnerMech has appointed Chris Dixon as director of UK
- Mechanical Handling Services. Belgium-based Sarens has ordered 18
- Dengium-based Sarens has ordered to Demag All Terrain cranes.
- Australian rental company Hire Guys
 Balcatta has taken a Niftylift 4x4 Hybrid boom lift.
- Belgium's Duma Rent has taken delivery of five Unic spider cranes.
- Germany's Sönke Jordt has taken a 250t Liebherr LTM 1250-5.1 All Terrain crane.
- Northern Ireland-based CP Hire has taken 10 new 45ft JLG 450AJ articulated boom lifts.

Poland's Beckmann Volmer Technology has appointed Flamanda as dealer for Lithuania & Latvia.

 Texas-based ReachMaster has become a certified IPAF training centre.





Dave Bendle

Gerhard Eisenkölbl

> Chris Dixon

- UK-based Alfa Access Services has promoted Graham Davis to technical operations director.
 - MEC has appointed Michael Liberto as regional sales manager southern and western states in the US.
 - UK-based Southern Cranes & Access has taken three Terex All Terrain cranes.
 - Germany's Schmidbauer has taken a Spierings SK 597-AT4 self-erecting tower crane.

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- CTE UK has delivered a 26m Zed26JH to property maintenance company DPR.
- JLG has made SkyGuard secondary guarding standard on all boom lifts.
- Hiab has won an order for 100 loader cranes from a Chinese wind turbine manufacturer.
- The UK's Access Alliance has appointed Trackunit as its access control and telematics supplier.
- UK-based J. Hewitt Crane Hire has taken delivery of a 250t Grove GMK5250L All Terrain crane.
- Trojan battery has appointed Phillip Taylor as chief human resources officer.
- Terex Cranes has upgraded its 500 tonne Demag AC 500-8 All Terrain crane.
- German steel erector **A. Preun** has taken delivery of a 50t **Tadano** ATF 50-3.
- Socage has appointed Access Platform Sales (APS) as its dealer in the UK.
- Australia's United Forklift and Access Solutions has placed a \$26 million order with Haulotte.
- Poland's Tauron has taken delivery of two 16 metre Beckmann BVT LTS-16 truck mounted platforms.
- Almac has delivered nine 20ft Bibi 870-BL/Evo scissor lifts in southern France.
- Germany's **J+B Küpers** has taken delivery of a 100t **Demag** AC 100-4L All Terrain crane.
- Ramirent has published its full year results with a strong fourth quarter pick-up.
- Manitowoc has appointed Rene Porto as sales director for its Brazilian operation.
- Linden Comansa has launched a new LCL700 luffing jib tower crane.
- Italian spider crane manufacturer Jekko has appointed Eurogruas as distributor for Mexico.
- US-based Sims Crane has appointed Richard 'Rick' DeCarlo as senior manager business affairs.
- Brand Energy & Infrastructure Services has taken delivery of 30 JLG aerial work platforms.
- Italy's Scaligera Service has taken a 21 metre CTE Zed 21.2 JHV truck mounted platform.
- Denmark's Steiness Liftcenter has taken the first Genie SX-135 XC in Europe.
- UK rental company Cannon Access has taken Haulotte HA16 RTJ and HA20 RTJ boom lifts.
- Poland's KGK Kozienice has taken delivery of a 16m BVT TTS-16 tractor mounted platform.
- Italian rental company Vernazza Autogru has taken delivery of two Grove All Terrain cranes.
- Hi Rent has taken delivery of the first 86ft Niftylift HR28 Hybrid in France.

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- US-based manufacturer Custom
- Equipment has appointed Dan Schneider as director of sales.
- JLG has appointed Guru Bandekar vice president of engineering.

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