



Terex hydraulic luffer

## The Terex CTLH 192-12 hydraulic luffer

Terex unveiled several new tower cranes in Italy last month, including its first hydraulic luffer the 12 tonne CTLH 192-12, the first of a new generation of self-erecting tower cranes the 4.4 tonne CSE 32 and a new eight tonne CTT 172-8 flat top which replaces the CTT 162.

The new hydraulic luffer has a maximum jib length of 55 metres, with a jib tip capacity of 2.35 tonnes. The unit has an out of service radius of eight metres and a minimum working radius of three metres. It can be used with any of the HD23, TS23, TS21 or HD20 towers and is available for both free standing and internal/external climbing configurations. The jib elevates from horizontal to almost vertical in two minutes. The CTLH 192-12 is set up for the Terex T-Link telematics platform and will be available from January.

The CSE 32 self-erecting tower crane can handle 1.05 tonnes at its maximum 32 metre jib length with a maximum hook height of 21.5 metres. Maximum hoist speed is 56 metres a minute. Shipments will begin next summer.



The hydraulic luffer and CSE 32 self-erecting tower crane

The new eight tonne CTT 172-8 flat top has a maximum jib length of 65 metres with 1.71 tonne jib tip capacity. It is compatible with the TS16 and TS21 towers and has two winch options. It will be available in December.



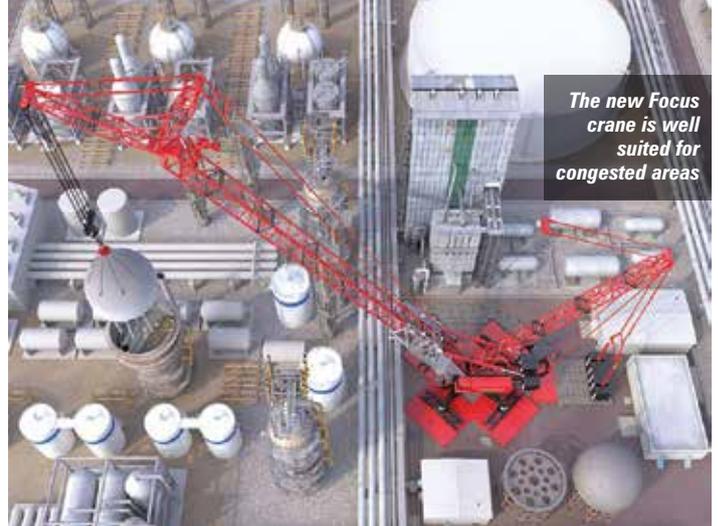
Customers at the launch

## 153ft Sinoboam

As we go to press Sinoboam announced the introduction of the 153ft GTZZ46J articulated boom lift, the largest articulated boom lift on the market, topping the JLG 1500AJP by 400mm.

The new platform features a three section telescopic riser/lower boom and three section top boom plus an articulating jib, offering 25.5 metres of outreach, a working height of 48.6 metres and maximum capacity of 455kg. The X type chassis has a stowed width of 2.5 metres opening to five metres in work mode.

Further details and a comparison will follow in the November issue.



The new Focus crane is well suited for congested areas

## Mammoet releases Focus details

Dutch international heavy lift group Mammoet has released details of its Focus crane concept that it floated as an idea in 2016, suggesting at that time that it might be scaled up to have a maximum capacity of 24,000 tonnes. The concept of the crane is that it can set up within its overall footprint saving space and disruption on congested sites.

The crane's superstructure is placed onto a cruciform outrigger pedestal, with a special climbing frame mechanism and butt section. The upper sections of the boom are then added and jacked vertically so that further boom sections may be added at the base and raised in a similar manner. Finally the boom raises the back mast vertically and installs its counterweight. The new crane is said to offer ground bearing pressures of 10 tonnes per square metre on a surface of just 30 metres square. The super lift counterweight radius can be adjusted under load from 16 to 30 metres.

Jacques Stoof of Mammoet said: "The main boom is erected vertically with the help of a climbing frame. Once it is in place, the back mast can be installed vertically as well. This eliminates the need to sterilise larger parts of a plant area for crane assembly. Neither is there a need to build over live pipe racks. All in all, the assembly process is less complex, safer and more efficient, significantly reducing the costly space and downtime of assembling a crane."

The first unit is due for completion during the second quarter 2020.

## Boehler leaves Skyjack

Brad Boehler left Skyjack and its parent Linamar last month. He was confirmed as Skyjack president in 2012 having taken over as interim president in 2011. Prior to that he was vice president of engineering, having joined the company as product safety manager in mid 2003.



Brad Boehler

## New president for IPAF

Having left Skyjack Brad Boehler was required to step down as president of the International Powered Access Federation (IPAF) at the Europlatform conference in Nice, France. Deputy president Norty Turner of US-based United

Rentals replaced him, Karin Nars of Dinolift became deputy president and Karel Huijser of JLG was appointed vice president.



Karin Nars (L) Norty Turner and Karel Huijser

# New 54ft Airo boom

Italian aerial lift manufacturer Airo has launched its 54ft A18JRTD Xtreme articulated boom lift with a maximum outreach of 9.9 metres and 300kg platform capacity at an up and over height of 8.5 metres. Maximum capacity is 400kg and working height 18.45 metres.

Other features include four wheel drive, four wheel steer, oscillating axle, Stage V and Tier 4F engine without the need for a Diesel Particulate Filter and integrated diagnostics system with Advanced Touch Control. Options include 180 degrees rotation on the articulating jib and a 2.4 metre wide platform. A hybrid version will also be available early next year.

*The A18JRTD Xtreme has a working height of 18.45 metres*



# New National Crane boom truck

National Crane has launched a new long boom version of its 53 tonne NBT60 truck crane - the NBT60L - with a 46 metre main boom, topped by a 10.9 metre lattice swingaway extension providing a maximum tip height of 59.7 metres.

Standard features include a de luxe tilting operator's cab with heated seat, a colour digital display screen with real time diagnostics, electric over hydraulic

controls with speed adjustability, hydraulically removable counterweight, optional multiple camera system and a fully integrated wireless wind speed indicator.



*National Crane NBT60L*

# Vertikal Days 2020 dates confirmed

Vertikal Days will return to Donington Park for a third year running on the 13th and 14th May.

It will be the largest lifting equipment event in Europe for 2020 and likely to see new product launches from the major crane, aerial lift and telehandler manufacturers. Located next to East Midlands Airport in Leicestershire, the venue provides a large tarmac area for outdoor exhibits while a large pavilion will be home to indoor exhibitors. Hotels in the immediate vicinity are plentiful, and its proximity to the M1 motorway, airport and rail links make it easily accessible for visitors.



# New 34m platform from Rosenbauer

Fire and recovery vehicle manufacturer Rosenbauer has launched a new version of its B34 truck mounted rescue platform, the B34 2.0. Mounted on 18 tonne two axle Mercedes Econic chassis, it features a high strength three section telescopic boom topped by a long, single section articulating jib. It offers a working height of 34 metres, an outreach of 25 metres, and a maximum platform capacity of 500kg. A telescopic ladder runs alongside the boom and jib, providing an alternative way to reach or descend from the platform.

The new model is also fitted with basic extinguishing equipment consisting of a telescopic water riser and a monitor mounted on the front of the basket. Standard features include stepless outrigger set up with automatic monitoring and working envelope control, LED technology for all lighting, lifting eyes on the boom with a capacity of two tonnes for emergency crane work and automated return to stowed/transport position function.



*Rosenbauer B34 2.0*



*The machine provides 25 metres of outreach*

# 16.5 metres on 3.5t van

Versalift unveiled a new 16.6 metre van mounted lift, the VDTL-165-F in France last month. It claims it is the highest van mounted lift to be mounted on a 3.5 tonne van maintaining a Gross Vehicle Weight of less than 3,500kg, while retaining some cargo payload.

The new model has a three section telescopic boom and articulating jib, providing a maximum outreach of 8.5 metres with 120kg platform capacity, or 230kg at up to seven metres outreach. 180 degrees of platform rotation is standard and the stabilisers set up within the overall width of the vehicle's wing mirrors. It will be available on either a Mercedes Sprinter or Renault Master van chassis and will not only allow the lift to be used with a regular B class driver's license but still have 300kg of payload in the back of the van. A hybrid power pack is also available.

*The VDTL-165-F has three section boom and articulated jib*



*The new Versalift VDTL-165-F on Renault Master van.*



# French cranes and access

France's crane and aerial lift exhibition JDL was held last month in Beaune. The weather just about held up and the main days of the event were well attended. The crane manufacturers were well represented with Tadano and Demag having the first opportunity to exhibit side by side.

With the new product focus on Bauma and GIS being held a few days later, the number of new product launches were limited but there were some, including the world premiere of Versalift's 16.6 metre VDTL-165-F mounted on a 3.5 tonne Mercedes Sprinter or Renault Master van with up to 300kg cargo payload.

Klubb launched its 12.5 metre K32 platform on a Renault Master van chassis which complies with Euro VI standards and the new Worldwide Harmonised Light Vehicle Test Procedure (WLTP). The K32 offers an outreach of 7.3 metres and



Klubb stand

120kg maximum platform capacity without the need for stabilisers.

Potain showed its new Cab-In internal operator hoist.

JCB showed its new battery powered industrial telehandler with 3,000kg capacity at its four metre lift height.

Multitel unveiled its new 20 metre MT204 hybrid telescopic.

Sinoboom launched its new European operation based in Tonneins, France headed by Daniel Duclos.

Spierings also debuted its new French sales manager and showed a new SK597-AT4 sold to local company Transmanutec.



The new Versalift VDTL-165-F on Renault Master van



Potain's Cab-In elevator



Multitel MT 204 hybrid



Sinoboom launched its new French operation



Spierings SK597-AT4



The JCB 30-19E

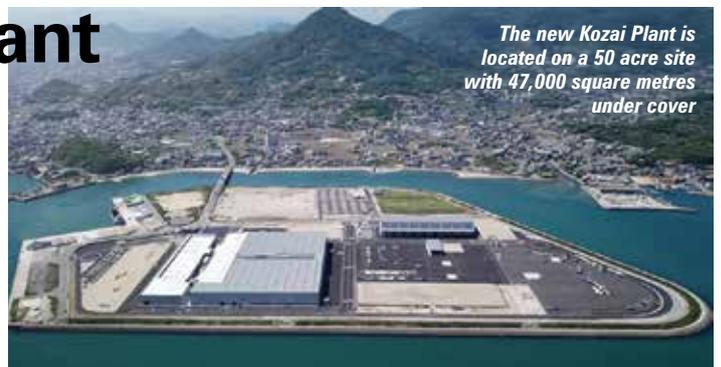
# Tadano opens new plant

Tadano has opened its all-new greenfield Kozai Plant in Takamatsu, Japan.

The initial plans for the new plant were announced in 2015 when the company applied to add adjoining land to a plot it already owned, with construction beginning in 2017. Completed in April, the new facility adds substantial additional production capacity of Rough Terrain and truck cranes, as well as some major components, including booms and cylinders. 140 people attended the official opening, including the governor of Kagawa Prefecture and the mayor of Takamatsu City.



The facility includes 47,000 square metres of covered space on a plot of almost 50 acres. The company says that its design aims to 'harmonise the balance of people and machinery, connecting to the next



The new Kozai Plant is located on a 50 acre site with 47,000 square metres under cover

generation of smart manufacturing'. The plant is equipped with automated guided vehicles, an air conditioning system for the assembly line, and highly advanced equipment, all of which have been incorporated into the design with the aim of significantly increasing productivity. In addition, the finished products will be transported by barge from a port adjacent to the plant.

Koichi Tadano addresses delegates at the formal opening of the new plant.

# New Genie scissors and HF and TraX booms

Genie has unveiled a new range of GS slab scissor that meet global regulatory standards in a single model. The changes are driven by the changes to the North American ANSI A92 and CSA B354 standards which come into effect in December.

The new models are equipped with a 'Dual Zone Control' allowing operators to switch between indoor and outdoor

use, with the machine's Load Sense system adjusting the performance parameters to the environment selected. The company also unveiled new 'High Float' and TraX boom lifts based on its XC 'extra capacity' models and number of new accessories. For more details see page 53.



# Ruthmann Italia expansion

Ruthmann Italia has opened its new production hall for truck mounted lifts at its plant in Montescudo, Italy. The new building will produce the company's line of Ruthmann Ecoline truck mounted platforms, leaving the existing production facilities dedicated to Blueline spider lifts, thus increasing production capacity for both product lines. The opening ceremony was attended by dealers, customers and suppliers.



# Working At Height Forum 2019

UK rental company Nationwide Platforms held its Working At Height Best Practice Safety Forum last month at Heythrop Park, Oxfordshire with 400 people attending the event, now in its 11th year.

Presenters included Mike Robertson - head of health & safety at NNB - Hinkley Point C, Graham Edgell - director of sustainability & procurement at Morgan Sindall and Martin Cloyd - head of health, safety & wellbeing at Mace Construction. Topics included working at height risk management, the need to futureproof for sustainable fleets, and mental health in the industry.

Afternoon breakout sessions included Manufacturers Showcase focusing on electric and hybrid equipment, IPAF Technical Committee updates, a customer risk workshop, and sustainable fleet selection. Sadly news came through during the afternoon of a fatal incident in which one of the company's truck mounted lifts was caught in an explosion at the Redcar steelworks in Teeside, causing understandable changes to the mood and evening activities.



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Jesper Becker of Riwal (L) and Lars Sørby of Sørby Utleie

## Electric JLG/Riwal booms for Sørby

Norwegian rental company Sørby Utleie has taken delivery of two all-battery powered 66ft JLG 660SJ boom lifts - converted from diesel by Riwal - the first sold to an outside rental company.

The 660SJ has an outreach of 17.4 metres, an unrestricted capacity of 249kg and a maximum platform capacity of 340kg at 15.3 metres. The units were converted and delivered by Riwal Scandinavia.

## Custom PA-1030 for textile mills

US low level scissor lift manufacturer Custom Equipment has launched a modified version of its 4.9 metre PA-1030 push around lift.

Designed with an eye on the requirements of textile mills, the special machine has a slightly narrower overall width at just under 750mm, while the platform is a good deal slimmer than the standard machine at 457mm, enabling it to move easily in narrow spaces to clean the overhead heating and ventilation equipment. The machine has an overall weight of 405kg and maximum platform capacity is 240kg. The lifts can be equipped with AGM batteries, while features include a tool holder, parts tray, USB chargers on the platform, total lock rear casters and auto lock brakes on the front wheels.

The modified PA-1030.



## JMG heavy duty articulated crane

JMG has unveiled a new battery powered wheeled articulated crane, the MC 50000RE. The new crane mounts a 50 tonne/metre Cormach E7F134ASC on a special JMG chassis and offers a maximum capacity of 9.43 tonnes at four metres radius. It can handle seven tonnes free on wheels.

The eight section main boom offers a maximum tip height of 19 metres and a maximum radius of 17 metres at which it can handle 1,830kg. The optional five section telescopic luffing jib takes the tip height to around 29 metres and can luff down to horizontal at which it offers a capacity of 1,120kg radius at 11 metres radius. Overall width when stowed is just over two metres while the overall length is 5.13 metres with a stowed height of 2.81 metres. The crane has a total weight of 22 tonnes.



## Fines and possible criminal charges for three

Three companies have been fined for their roles in a fatal tower crane collapse in Seattle in April. The incident - which killed two crane erectors and two people in passing cars - was described as 'totally avoidable'. The Seattle police department has now opened a criminal investigation. The US Department of Labor and Industries confirmed that the crane was hit by a gust of wind after the team taking it down had removed the pins between the tower sections in order to save time. They had also slackened off the foundation bolts.

The investigation revealed that as wind levels increased the mobile crane removing the tower crane had to suspend operations. The tower crane crew decided that they would go ahead and remove the pins from all of the tower sections while they waited for the winds to drop, a 50mph gust then caused the crane to sway and collapse into the street.

Tower crane rental company Morrow Equipment which had supplied the crane to main contractor GLY was fined \$70,000. GLY was fined \$25,000 and Northwest Tower Crane Service which provided the crane dismantling crew was fined \$12,000.

The ruling said that Morrow was most culpable because it had an expert on site and should have ensured that the manufacturer's instructions were followed, while the other companies were cited for the lack of supervision, inadequate training and other violations.



## 55 Skyjacks for ARG

Dubai-based Access Rental Gulf (ARG), part of the AFI group, has ordered 55 Skyjack boom lifts in a deal worth \$5 million.

The deal includes 35 articulated and 20 telescopic boom lifts, which join a fleet of 1,100 aerial work platforms. Established in 2008, Access Rental Gulf operates from five locations across Dubai, Doha, Bahrain and Saudi Arabia.

Skyjack S46AJ articulated boom lift.



# GIS 2019

GIS, the Italian lifting show took place earlier this month in Piacenza, Italy. With more than 400 exhibitors it was the largest GIS so far.

Several new products were unveiled including Socage's first Rough Terrain crane, the 45 tonne Optimus 450, Zoomlion's first Italian built crane, the 60 tonne ATC960, Comet's new 16 metre 16.75 HQ truck mounted platform, CTE's new 20m Zed 20 with 'H' outriggers, the 9.4 tonne JMG 50000RE featuring a Cormach 7F134 ASC articulated crane on a JMG battery powered chassis, Airo's new 54ft A18JRTD Xtreme articulated boom lift and Almac's 990kg tracked self-levelling Multi-loader 6.0 carry deck crane. XCMG debuted its aerial lift range with new dealer Hitex while Horyong displayed a 70 metre PE700 furniture lift. A full photo review can be found on [vertical.net](http://vertical.net)



Socage Optimus 450



CTE's new 20m Zed 20



Comet's 16.75 HQ



Almac's 990kg Multi-loader crane



Horyong 70 lift

## Nationwide charity refurbishment

Apprentices at UK-based Nationwide Platforms have refurbished two old scissor lifts to compete for the Roger Wickens Engineering Award.

The completed platforms were branded in Cancer Research colours with the winner chosen by a judging panel including representatives from Genie and Skyjack along with Roger's widow Anne Wickens. Team Wickens won the award by just one point and both machines have gone back into the company's rental fleet with 100 percent of the revenue generated being donated to Cancer Research.



The two refurbished scissor lifts

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## Growth slows at Haulotte

**Haulotte** reported total revenues of €477.9 million for the nine months to the end of September, up 15 percent on last year. New equipment sales were 16 percent higher at €422.5 million with Europe growing 13 percent, Asia-Pacific 18 percent, South America nine percent and North America 17 percent.



In the third quarter total sales were four percent higher at €135.3 million, comprising new equipment sales of €116.7 million - up 3.9 percent - parts and service revenues eight percent higher at €13.3 million and rentals up 36 percent to €5.3 million. The company said: "The market has accumulated indications of slowing down. With an increasingly uncertain global economic context pushing major market players to adopt a 'wait and see' attitude, it is unlikely that we will achieve our objective for 2019 of sales and operating income growth of 10 percent."

## Kiloutou acquires Sticar

**Kiloutou** has acquired Italian rental company **Sticar** strengthening its market position in northern Italy. Sticar was established in Padua in 1976 to distribute and service forklifts, it added a rental operation in 1985 and entered the aerial lift market in 1986. It operates from nine locations in Turin, Milan, Verona, Brescia, Venice, Padua, Piacenza, Cesena/Rimini and Bologna with a total of 76 employees. It runs a fleet of 850 aerial work platforms and 475 industrial fork trucks.



## Slower growth at Manitou

**Manitou** has reported nine month revenues of €1.6 billion up 18 percent on 2018. This includes Material Handling sales - telehandlers and aerial lifts - of €1.12 billion up 21 percent, while Compact Equipment sales - largely Gehl - were 10 percent higher at €248 million, and parts and services improved 12 percent to €229 million. Sales were driven by strong growth in Europe and the Americas.

In the third quarter revenues improved four percent to €436 million, comprising €293 million in the Material Handling division up six percent, while Compact Equipment sales slumped seven percent to €69 million due to a flood at the company's plant in Madison, South Dakota. Parts and service revenues were nine percent higher at €74 million.



Third quarter order intake dropped 30 percent to €244 million, leaving the order book 36 percent lower at €526 million.

## Pinnacle Cranes acquired

US sales and rental company **Pinnacle Cranes** has been acquired by **Tecum Equity**, a fund supported by **Western Allegheny Capital** - the family office of Pittsburgh-based Cliff Forrest, the owner of Rosebud mining. Established in 2001 as a division of CTE (Carolina Tractor and Equipment) Pinnacle is based in Charlotte, North Carolina and is a leading Link-Belt and Manitex dealer covering North and South Carolina.



## Record revenues for United

**United Rentals** saw nine month revenues improve 20 percent to \$6.89 billion. Pre-tax profit was just three percent higher at \$1.08 billion. Additional costs included higher repair and refurbishment costs and higher interest costs. In the third quarter revenues were 15 percent higher at \$2.15 billion, with improvements in all sectors, while pre-tax profits were 11 percent higher at \$510 million.



## Venture capital funding for MES Cranes

South African tower crane rental company **MES Cranes** has received a capital injection from venture capital firm **Open Window Growth Partners**. The exact nature or percentage of the investment has not been disclosed, but the previous owner and managers Walter Baur and Hermann Fender remain at the helm of the company and will be joined on the board by Open Window principles Ferdi van Niekerk and Glen Dowie.



## Nesco acquires Truck Utilities

US-based utility equipment rental group **Nesco Holdings** has acquired boom truck and aerial device sales and rental company **Truck Utilities** for \$42.2 million. Family owned Truck Utilities is based in St Paul Minnesota, with branches in Fargo, North Dakota and Kansas City. Established more than 50 years ago, its fleet includes 132 units with an average age of 2.3 years.



## Wolffkran buys into fibre rope start up

**Wolffkran** has acquired a stake in the new German fibre rope manufacturer **Trowis**. Trowis ropes will be produced at a facility in Chemnitz, under joint managing directors and co-owners Thorsten Heinze and Peter Streubel. The new rope has been in development since 2006, supported by the University of Applied Sciences in Mittweida. The fibre ropes for cranes will undergo further testing at the Wolffkran factory and in the field prior to a market launch.



## Private equity investment in Nationwide Hire

Private Equity firm **Livingbridge** has invested £15 million in UK-based 'virtual rental company' **Nationwide Hire**. Established in 1995 Nationwide Hire is based in Fareham, Hampshire, with 70 employees and revenues of just over £16 million. Pre-tax profits were £2.9 million. It rehires a wide range of equipment, including aerial lifts, cranes and telehandlers.



## Sunbelt takes King

Ashtead's North American operation, **Sunbelt Rentals** has acquired Los Angeles, California aerial lift rental company **King Equipment**. Sante Fe Springs-based King was established in 2007 by owner Ernie Quijada and also operates a branch in Colton, North East of Los Angeles.



For the full reports on all these stories check out [Vertikal.net](http://Vertikal.net)

# CI&G open meeting

Around 50 members of the UK's Construction Plant-hire Association's (CPA) Crane Interest Group attended the annual open meeting last month chaired by chief executive Kevin Minton in the absence of a chairman following the departure of Janet Entwistle from Ainscough earlier this year.

At the meeting the CPA confirmed the appointment of Ian Simpson as technical consultant. He then presented an update on the CPA voluntary roadworthiness inspection scheme which includes an annual inspection of the roadgoing aspects of the crane.



Ian Simpson

Jamie Davies of the Health & Safety Executive presented the 2018 UK accident figures, highlighting the fact that 147 people were killed at work - 40 them due to falls from height. There were also eight fatalities and 104 injuries associated with lifting operations. CPA training and safety manager Rob Squires reviewed the Plant Mechanic Trailblazer Apprenticeship noting there is currently a shortage of colleges to deliver the scheme.



Around 50 members attended the meeting

# New National Crane tractor mount

US distributor Western Pacific Crane and Equipment has taken delivery of the first 27.2 tonne National Crane NBT30H-2 TM Tractor Mounted boom truck. The NBT30H-2 TM is based on the manufacturer's NBT30H-2 regular boom truck with a 21 metre four section main boom, mounted on a three axle, extended wheelbase Peterbilt tractor unit with two sets of beam and jack outriggers and 360 degree duties. It joins the Western Pacific fleet for oil field work and utility applications, while having the ability to cover 'taxi crane' work.



National Crane NBT30H-2 TM

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### Telescopic Boom Lifts

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**BT28RT** (28m)      **BT30RT** (30m)

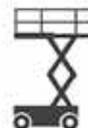
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- Spain's **Airpes** has appointed **Tad Dunville** as general manager, North America.
- UK-based **Eco-Pan** has taken a **Palfinger PK 42002 SH** High Performance loader crane on Mercedes 8x2/4 Arocs 3245.
- UK-based **Outriggerpads** has launched a range of composite cribbing and jacking blocks.
- Joly Location** has taken delivery of the first 35m **Teupen Leo35T** in France.
- Private Equity firm **Livingbridge** invested £15 million in UK-based 'virtual rental company' **Nationwide Hire**.
- Australia's **Kennards Hire** has appointed **David Schurman** as general manager, Western Australia, replacing **Tony Symons** who becomes general manager - product, replacing **Matt Hardy** who returns to his role as general manager Queensland.
- Furrer + Frey** Germany has taken delivery of a 53ft **Neotec Skyrailer 400** boom lift.
- Spain's **Coalci** has taken 10 **Snorkel TM12** mast lifts and an **S3010P** push-around lift.
- Instant UpRight** has opened its new facility in Venlo, the Netherlands.
- Manitowoc** has appointed **Luciano Dias** as sales director for Brazil **Grove**, **Potain** and **Manitowoc** products.
- UK-based **Hire Safe Solutions** has taken two 33ft **Almac** Jibbi 1250 Evo self levelling boom lifts.
- Germany's **Radicke Lift** has taken a 61ft **Haulotte HA20 LE** electric articulated boom lift.
- Three cranes were set on fire on a construction project in Leipzig, eastern Germany.
- UK rental company **A-Plant** has opened its largest service centre in Chadderton, Manchester.
- Nationwide Crane Hire** and **Palfinger Ireland** are facing criminal charges for a fatal incident with a man basket in 2015.
- US manufacturer **Caldwell Lifting Solutions** has appointed **Malcolm Peacock** as business development specialist.
- Scotland's **Windhoist UK** has taken two 220t **Demag AC 220-5** All Terrain cranes.
- Haulotte North America** has opened a new branch in Long Beach, California.
- Rental software supplier **inspHire** has launched a cloud sales intelligence tool **Vecta**.
- Palfinger** has appointed **Paolo Balugani** as global product line leader for its aerial lift division.
- Rental software company **MCS** has opened a new office in Dusseldorf, Germany.
- Foster Crane & Equipment** has appointed **Alan Peck** as sales manager for **Hoeflon** spider cranes.
- JCB** Germany has opened its new headquarters facility in Cologne.



Tad Dunville



David Schurman



Tony Symons



Luciano Dias



Malcolm Peacock



Alan Peck

- Spierings** has appointed **Maarten van Brink** as sales engineer for the UK and Netherlands.
- Liebherr** has received orders for 12 **Megamax Ship To Shore (STS)** container cranes from three German port operators.
- The UK's **Advanced Access Platforms** has taken 20 **Genie RT** scissor lifts.
- France's **Jagulak Sens Leverage** has taken a 100t **Demag AC 100-4L** All Terrain crane.
- UK veteran crane operator **Colin Parks** has died, he was 66.
- International rental group **Boels** has appointed **Asif Latief** as managing director of its UK operations.
- Russia's **Freight Village Kaluga** has taken delivery of two **Liebherr LRS 545-31** reachstackers.
- UK crane veteran **Stan Thompson**, of **J.D White** and **Hewden Stuart** has died.
- German rental company **Schmidbauer** has taken a 130t **Tadano ATF 130G-5** All Terrain crane.
- Russia's **Vertex** has delivered a 35m **Palazzani TSJ 35/C** spider lift to a water park construction in Krasnoyarsk.
- Fulton Hogan** has taken the first 120t **Tadano Mantis GTC-1200** telescopic crawler crane in New Zealand.
- Germany's **Markewitsch group** has taken two 100t **Tadano ATF 100G-4** All Terrain cranes.
- German rental company **Besl** has added **Genie** aerial lifts to its fleet.
- Germany's **Kreutzberger** has taken two 61ft **Haulotte HA20 LE Pro** boom electric articulated boom lifts.
- Canadian crane rental company **LaPrairie** has taken nine **Liebherr** cranes.
- France's **Neotec** has appointed **France Elévateur Germany** as its aerial lift distributor for Germany and Austria.
- US trailer and crane dolly manufacturer **Talbert** has appointed **David Henderson** as dealer development manager.
- UK's **MBE Glazing Systems** has taken a 2.82t **Maeda MC285C-3** spider crane.
- US rental company **Superior Cranes** has taken a 1,250t **Demag CC 6800-1** crawler crane.
- Ahern Ibérica** has opened its new facility in Madrid.
- An explosion at the Redcar steelworks on Teesside, UK killed two men working from a truck mounted platform.
- ATN Platforms** has appointed **Gilles Cheval** as chief executive and **Christophe Burel** as sales manager.
- UK's **Advanced Access Platforms** has taken two **Mercedes Arocs 8x2** trucks with **Sterling** beavertail bodies.



Maarten van Brink



Stan Thompson



David Henderson



Christophe Burel

- Manitowoc** has opened a new facility in Molino, Cavite, in the Philippines.
- Italy's **Salento Crane & Logistic** has taken a 43m **Palazzani Ragno XTJ 43+** spider lift.
- AMCS Technologies** has won a contract for its anti-collision/management systems on 20 tower cranes in Abu Dhabi.
- Construction has started on **Manitou's** new aerial lift facility in Candé, France.
- Germany's **Wiesbauer** has added a 300t **Demag AC 300-6** All Terrain crane to its fleet, and ordered a 130t **AC 130-5**.
- ALE** is to open a new office in Gothenburg, Sweden later this year.
- Germany's **Imboom** has taken a 22.6m **Oil&Steel Scorpion 2313** truck mounted platform.
- Genie** has appointed Tbilisi-based **Elite Motors** as its distributor for Georgia.
- Germany's **Wasel** has taken two 230t **Liebherr LTM 1230-5.1** All Terrain cranes.
- Skyjack** has appointed **Ken McDougall** as president, replacing **Brad Boehler** who has left the company.
- Canada's **AAG** will supply 12 **Hydro Mobile** mastclimbers for the Vogtle nuclear power project.
- UK-based **Lifterz** has taken three **Sterling ST440** step frame trailers, with two others on order.
- Germany's **Rothlehner Liftverleih** has taken a 12m **Helix 1205** mast boom from **Hematec**.
- The UK's **Access Link** held its quarterly meeting in Oswestry, Shropshire.
- Snorkel** has appointed **Romain Muller** as territory manager for France, the Benelux region and west Africa.
- Germany's **Jürgen Torner Baumaschinen** has taken two **Oil&Steel** truck mounted platforms.
- UK-based **MGA Crane Hire** has taken a 40t **Liebherr LTM 1040-2.1** All Terrain crane.
- Palazzani** has appointed Belgium's **Thomas Rental** as its distributor for the Benelux region.
- The **CPA** has appointed **Ian Simpson** as technical consultant.
- Dinolift** and its Finnish distributor **Rotator** have celebrated 40 years of partnership with a donation to the **University of Turku**.
- US crane rental company **Steel Giraffe** has taken a 45t **Demag AC 45 City** All Terrain crane.
- USA's **Brownsville Navigation District** has ordered two **Konecranes Gottwald G HMK 6507** Model 6 mobile harbour cranes.
- MEC** Aerial Work Platforms has appointed **Dave Hubbell** as vice president **CAT** Rental Store sales.



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