

BIGGER PICKER FROM HAULOTTE

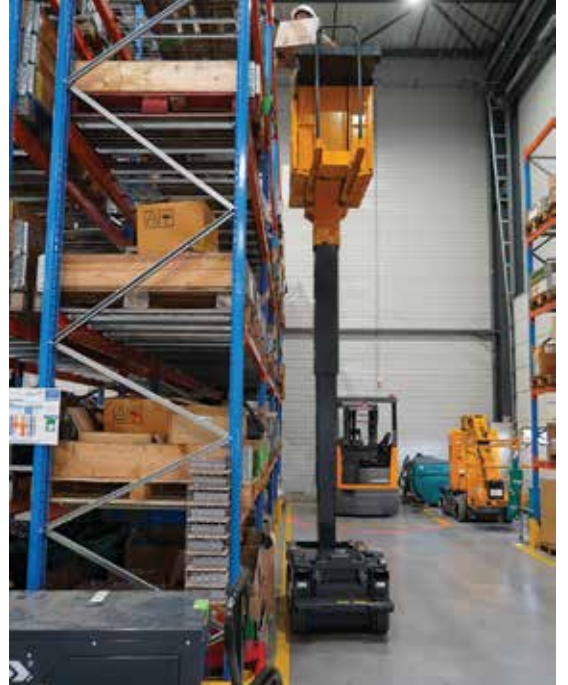
Haulotte has launched the 20ft 'Star 8 Picking' mast lift, designed for order picking and other applications in warehouses and distribution centres, adding to its six model 'Star' mast lift and mast boom line.

Currently only available in Europe, the Star 8 Picking features a 7.95 metre working height, a 200kg platform capacity and an 80kg capacity on the 740mm by 500mm 'drop-proof' motorised picking tray. The tray features removable side panels and a front end guardrail, allowing parcels and packages to be lifted safely without strain. The mast and picking tray can be raised or lowered simultaneously for extra speed and efficiency.

The new machine is based on the existing Star 6 Picking with the same chassis which has an overall width of 790mm and 1.66 metres overall length, however the extra mast section for the additional working height takes the overall stowed height to 1.98 metres and the overall weight to 1,210kg.

The base machine features include being driveable at full height, side entry tilt up gates with opening sensors to prevent elevation unless they are fully closed, a blue LED anti-collision spotlight for pedestrians, fork pockets built into the top of the chassis and automatic pothole protection.

The company says the machine is "designed to be almost maintenance free" thanks to AC direct wheel motors and a multi-stage cylinder mast extension system, eliminating chains and cables, and access to components via swing out trays.



NEW 14M PICK-UP FROM CPL

UK vehicle mounted platform specialist CPL - part of France's Klubb group - has launched the KA14 - a 14 metre work platform, mounted on an Isuzu D-Max 4x4 pickup chassis. The new lift features a single riser topped by a two section telescopic boom, for a working height of 14.2 metres, an outreach of 6.5 metres and a maximum platform capacity of 240kg.

The company says the boom is manufactured from "optimised steel" to maximise performance while maintaining a low centre of gravity for stable off road travel, with all hoses and cabling routed internally. The lift is aimed primarily at utility and telecom operators, as well as the professional tree care market.

CPL founder and chief executive Paul Murphy said: "We are incredibly proud to bring the KA14 to the market. By maintaining a robust local supply chain, we are not only supporting British manufacturing, but also ensuring our clients face minimal lead times. This machine is built to perform in the absolute toughest conditions, and we have the production line fully geared up to deliver. This is a project 15 years in the making, and it's now here."

CPL pioneered the concept of installing work platforms on 4x4 pickup chassis, introducing the 13.5 metre Socage A314 in 2014, which completely obsoleted the Land-Rover based platforms that were fairly widely used by utilities at the time. It then switched to Palfinger uppers, until losing the distribution rights earlier this year. Overall, it has sold more than 1,000 such machines and remains a major player in this market.



Paul Murphy



FARESIN AND HAULOTTE AUSTRALIA TEAM UP

Italian telehandler manufacturer Faresin has appointed Haulotte Australia as its exclusive distributor for the construction and rental market sectors in Australia. All models in the Faresin range are covered by the agreement from compact electric units to heavy duty, high capacity models.

Established in 1999, Haulotte Australia was the manufacturer's first subsidiary outside of Europe and has been one of its most consistent ever since. Based in Dandenong South near Melbourne, Victoria, it has further locations near Sydney in NSW, Brisbane in Queensland and Perth in Western Australia as well as a facility near Hamilton in New Zealand.

VERTIKAL DAYS IS FAST APPROACHING!

The 2026 Vertikal Days event returns to the Newark Showground on 9th and 10th September, when the lifting and work at height industries converge to meet suppliers and their peers while investigating the latest new products, ideas and developments.

Europe's largest dedicated event for lifting and work at height equipment brings together all manner of machines and equipment for lifting loads as well as platforms for working safely and efficiently at height. The all-inclusive event includes free parking, entry, refreshments and even a free lunch for all visitors. All the show information can be found in the 50 page Show guide starting on Page 33 of this issue.

To register to visit <https://vertikaldays.net/event-info/visitor-registration>, scan the QR code or just turn up and register at the entrance.

Show Details:

WHERE: Newark Showground, Lincoln Road, Winthorpe, Newark, NG24 2NY

WHEN: Wednesday 9th and Thursday 10th September 2026

OPENING HOURS: Wednesday: 10:00 - 17:30 Thursday: 10:00 - 16:00



GEDA'S NEW WIND TURBINE HOIST

German hoist manufacturer Geda has introduced the SH 250 W, a battery powered rack & pinion internal hoist system for wind turbine towers, intended for transporting personnel and materials to the turbine nacelle and intermediate levels. The SH 250 W is designed for heights of up to 210 metres and uses a lithium-ion battery pack. It includes online remote maintenance, a touchscreen display and a fault diagnostics system.

The hoist can be used from the installation phase, unlike conventional rope lifts, which are typically only put into service once the tower has been fully erected and inspected. The SH 250 W, however, uses ladder sections with rack & pinion guide profiles that start at ground level and can be extended as the tower is built.

For more information on this and other products see the Mastclimber and Hoist feature starting on Page 25.



ABAX 'VISION AI'

Telematics provider ABAX has launched ABAX Vision Artificial Intelligence (AI), combining video cameras and driver safety technology in its fleet management platform.

The system uses AI built into the camera itself to spot unsafe driving in real time - including fatigue, distraction, phone use, tailgating and lane drift - and warns the driver with an audio alert as it happens. Video is also uploaded automatically to the database and linked to the relevant trip, driver and route, so fleets no longer need a separate dashcam system or need to physically remove an SD card to get footage. The company says this also gives fleets times tamped video evidence to support incident investigations and insurance claims.

Founded in Norway in 2008, the company now operates across all of Europe with 500,000 units in use worldwide.

MANITOWOC WINS ANTI-DUMPING CASE

Following an anti-dumping petition filed by Manitowoc Cranes in April, the U.S. International Trade Commission and U.S. Department of Commerce have found that Japanese companies Kobelco and Sumitomo/Link-Belt did sell lattice boom crawler cranes at predatory or unfair prices that harmed the US based company, and as a result have set anti-dumping tariffs of between 12.36% and 20% which have now come into effect.

The tariffs will apply to imports at the rate of 12.36% for Kobelco, listed as the main protagonist in the original complaint, and 20% for Sumitomo/Link-Belt. All others will pay 16.18%. Link-Belt immediately issued a statement stating that it would challenge the ruling as it believes that it is illegal and full of errors. See story below.



LINK-BELT CHALLENGES ANTI-DUMPING TARIFFS

Link-Belt Cranes has challenged the anti-dumping ruling by the U.S. Court of International Trade and U.S. Department of Commerce that has imposed 20 percent tariffs on imports of Link-Belt/Sumitomo lattice boom crawler cranes and associated assemblies from Japan.

In a statement it says: "The Commerce Department's analysis contains significant errors and runs afoul of the law. Link-Belt intends to challenge the U.S. Department of Commerce's final anti-dumping determination concerning lattice boom crawler cranes at the U.S. Court of International Trade."

"While the anti-dumping duties are currently in effect, they remain subject to judicial review. If we are successful in our challenge, we will be entitled to seek refunds of any cash deposits paid to Customs. We strongly dispute the determination and believe it is not supported by the facts or applicable law."





Working on an offshore wind farm construction site in South Korea for the assembly of jacket substructures

2,500 TONNER FOR S.KOREA

South Korean company Hanchang Heavy Equipment - which operates in the steel, petrochemical, shipbuilding, construction and wind energy sectors - has taken delivery of a 2,500 tonne Liebherr LR 12500-1.0 crawler crane.

The crane - announced in 2022 - offers a wide variety of boom, jib and counterweight configurations, including the standard boom of up to 162.2 metres, and the wide, heavy duty 'High Performance' boom, which has a maximum length of 120 metres but can be extended to 156 metres by adding luffing jib sections to the main boom. The maximum tip height of around 210 metres is achieved with 100 metres of main boom and a 108 metre luffing jib.

The crane's derrick boom and infinitely variable suspended ballast radius is integrated with the crane management system, while the suspended ballast pallet comes from Liebherr's 3,000 tonne LR 13000, as do most of the counterweight slabs. It also adopts the LR13000's B0 version, allowing it to operate without derrick ballast. Power is supplied by twin Liebherr six cylinder diesels with a redundant design to ensure availability in the case of a breakdown or servicing.

Shortly after delivery, the crane went to work on an offshore wind farm construction site in South Korea, operated by SK Ocean Plant, where it is working alongside a 1,350 tonne LR 11350-P1800 assembling jacket substructure foundations for offshore wind turbines, where it was rigged with 126 metres of main boom.



NOBLELIFT OPENS IN THAILAND

Chinese/Malaysian aerial lift manufacturer Noblelift has opened a new subsidiary in Samut Prakan, south of Bangkok in Thailand.



The new facility

During the opening ceremony, visitors toured the equipment warehouse and had the opportunity to try out some of the equipment, including forklifts and telehandlers. This latest move follows the opening of new European headquarters in Legden, north of Essen, Germany, late last year.

700TH MOOG

German underbridge inspection platform manufacturer Moog has built and delivered its 700th underbridge inspection platform. Serial number 700 is an MBI 110 and was purchased along with an MBL 1750 by long standing customer Wemo-Tec.

The MBI 110 can reach 7.1 metres below the bridge deck and extend horizontally by up to 11 metres, or 13 metres with the two metre extension. The 1.2 metre wide platform has a maximum capacity of 500kg. The unit is 2.5 metres wide and has an overall weight of 18 tonnes. The larger MBL 1750 can reach 21 metres below deck and up to 17.5 metres horizontally from the same space as the smaller unit, but the all-up weight is 32 tonnes.

Moog was founded in 1980 by Alfons Moog, who died in August 2006 in a tragic accident in France involving one of his platforms. His wife, Rita, took over the management of the business before handing over to Christine Moog-Ganzenmüller, one of the couple's three daughters.

Wemo-Tec purchased its first Moog platform over 40 years ago and has been a regular customer ever since. It is based in Eichenzell, northeast of Frankfurt, near Fulda.

Christine Moog said: "We are particularly pleased that this anniversary machine is going to our long-standing customer Wemo-Tec. Our companies have worked together for more than 40 years. Such milestones are far more than just a number, they represent trust, shared successes, and partnerships that have grown over decades."



The 700th Moog platform is handed over to Wemo-Tec along with another MBL 1750

MERLO EXPANDS TRAINING

Merlo has expanded its UK technical training programme for service engineers and dealers across the UK and Ireland, with courses based at its Ringwood training centre in Hampshire as well as dealer locations.

Opened in 2021, the Ringwood centre trains service engineers on machines and works with dismantled components without the pressure of a live breakdown. At the moment, 25 technical courses are available, covering hydraulics, driveline, electrics and diagnostics, with additional courses planned as new products and technologies are introduced.

Specialist options include a one week Roto 360 degree telehandler course covering operation, system understanding, diagnostics and fault finding, while British Agricultural and Garden Machinery Association (BAGMA) accredited courses are also available.

Attendees receiving technical training on machine parts





HIGH BRIDGE TOWERS

Three 25 tonne Potain MC 480 tower cranes have been used to construct the main pylons for the 1,060 metre span of the new 1,280 metre long Luding Dadu River Bridge in Luding, China, part of the Sichuan-Tibet Railway. Potain dealer Xiamen Vigors Mechanical Equipment installed the cranes at the end of 2022 and completed the job last month.

The three cranes worked with jib lengths of between 40 and 60 metres, operating at their maximum capacity. The pylon construction included a 21 metre steel formwork section that provided no tie-offs, so the cranes worked around it as the structure rose and completed the 262.8 metre and 255.8 metre high main pylons on schedule.



POTAIN POWER SOLUTIONS

Manitowoc has launched 'Potain Power Solutions', a new range of energy storage systems for tower cranes. The product aims to reduce reliance on diesel generators and can be used on sites with limited or unstable power supplies, including remote projects and urban job sites where low noise and emissions are required.

The systems are designed to handle tower crane duty cycles and peak power demands, helping maintain performance without power drop offs or interruptions. They can also stabilise the power supply and provide back-up power to protect the crane's electronics during outages. The units use liquid cooling to keep the batteries working in hot and humid conditions and are easily moved by forklift.

Output options include 135 and 270 kVA, along with larger units above 375 kVA. While designed to work with Potain tower cranes, they can be used to power other equipment on site.



Larger units can provide an output of 375 kVA

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BG LIFT APPOINTS CMC NA

Italian articulated spider crane manufacturer BG Lift has appointed the North American distribution subsidiary of Italian spider lift manufacturer CMC as its exclusive distributor for the USA. The agreement took effect at the start of August, with the arrival of some BG Lift inventory and demonstration units.

CMC North America will handle all sales and marketing in the country, and provide technical support, operator training, service, warranty administration, and replacement parts support for all BG Lifts machines across the country.

The BG Lift crane range runs from 600kg up to a 40 tonne heavy duty articulated/knuckle boom machine with a choice of diesel or lithium-ion battery power packs. It also produces a tracked carry deck crane, and last year launched an unusual truck mounted crane.



Maurizio Piantoni of BG Lift (L) concludes the agreement with Jeff Poggi of CMC at the BG Lift plant near Verona

NEW OWNER FOR NATIONWIDE HIRE

UK rental company Nationwide Hire - trading as Nationwide Hire Solutions - entered administration in July and was acquired by Alliance Hire Solutions which was set up for the purpose in June. Nationwide's latest accounts for the year to September 2024 reported revenues of £11.1 million with a pre-tax loss of £1 million.



Alliance Hire Solutions is owned by Alliance Tool Hire and its directors Charles Skinner, John Laycock, Mark Rousell, Beth Peters and Margaret and David Jones. Alliance Tool Hire - which also owns Avon Tools Hire - had revenues for the year to June 2025 of £12.8 million with a pre-tax profit of £429,000.

Alliance Tool Hire said: "Alliance Hire Solutions, a subsidiary of Alliance Tool Hire Group, has acquired the assets of Nationwide Hire Ltd following its administration on 28th July 2026. The move saves all 28 jobs at the company, which will continue to trade under the Nationwide Hire Solutions name."



NIFTY HYBRID RETROFIT KITS

Self-propelled boom and trailer lift manufacturer Niftylift will launch two hybrid retrofit kits at Vertikal Days. The first, a hybrid hydrogen-electric power option which uses a hydrogen cylinder to power a fuel cell to create electricity to recharge the batteries, will be installed on the new 63ft HR21 H2E. It can also be retrofitted to existing HR15E and HR17E boom lifts.



A HR15E with a retrofitted hydrogen-electric engine

The second pack uses a small diesel engine to drive a generator to top up the battery pack on electric machines and will be displayed on the new 66ft HR22SDE telescopic boom lift and can be retrofitted to existing HR22SE units. The company will also unveil an all-new boom lift at the event.

DLM CHATBOT

UK Load monitoring equipment specialist Dynamic Load Monitoring (DLM) has launched an in-house Artificial Intelligence chatbot dubbed DynaBot.

The tool - designed to answer questions that would previously have required an email or phone call - is trained on DLM's full product and service range, covering applications in offshore cable laying, oil & gas, marine and lifting. The company says the responses are based on verified engineering knowledge and were developed through a training and testing process involving product data scenario based Q&As and reviewed by DLM engineers. Where DynaBot cannot answer a question, it asks the user for contact details for follow up or provides the relevant direct contact information. The company says the system will continue to be updated, with future versions expected to handle more in-depth technical queries.



ELEBIA UPDATES EMAX

Spanish lifting gear company Elebia has launched a redesigned version of its eMAX wireless remote control for automatic crane hooks, consolidating its previous variants into a single model.



Changes include a redesigned keyboard - the same as the company's eMini and eINST - a USB-C connector for charging and data transfer and a higher capacity rechargeable lithium-ion battery. The remote also features simplified radio configuration using an ARIB-compliant radio system and SubMiniature (SMA) whip antenna, along with a laser engraved response code linking to the Elebia helpdesk.

The eMAX has a high resolution screen and can control automatic hooks fitted with an optional load cell, allowing the load weight to be measured and shown on the display.

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FINANCIALS ROUND-UP

Bay Crane has acquired **Clark Rigging & Rental**, a crane and lifting company based in Lockport, near Niagara Falls. Clark covers Western and Central New York state, with depots in Rochester, and Syracuse, New York and was owned by David Clark, who stays on as regional manager.



U.S. wire rope and rigging supplies distributor and fabricator **Ascent Lifting**, which operates under the **Certex USA** brand, has acquired rigging, lifting and fall protection supplier **United Rigging** of Jacksonville Florida from DeWayne Mueller, who remains on board as operations manager, while Jan Mueller will serve as branch manager.



JLG has acquired a stake in US tech company **Nextera Robotics** to help further develop its autonomous robots and AI/Artificial Intelligence based technology for mapping, managing and monitoring active construction sites.



Manitowoc Crane - Grove, Potain and National Crane - saw revenues for the six months to the end of June improve 8% to \$1.09 billion. Order Intake for the six months was almost 28% higher at \$1.35 billion, leaving the backlog/order book at the end of June at \$1.05 billion, up 44% on last year. Pre-tax profit was \$12.1 million compared to last year's loss of \$7.5 million. The upward trend continued into Q2.



U.S. based **Herc Rentals** has published its first half results, with revenues up 26% to \$2.34 billion thanks to higher rental revenues. Pre-tax profit was \$1 million compared to a \$54 million loss last year. Capital expenditure was 25% higher at \$527 million and the



average age of the fleet remained the same at 46 months. Net debt at the end of June was cut by 1.7% to \$7.88 billion.

Telehandler and aerial lift manufacturer **Manitou** posted first half revenues of €1.43 billion, up 12% on last year. Order intake increased 15.3% to €1.18 billion, with the order book up 4.9% to €1.09 billion. Pre-tax profit jumped 49.5% to €78.5 million thanks to lower interest costs and substantially lower write downs/write offs, combined with improved operating margins. Net debt was cut 8.3% to €224 million.



Genie, still part of **Terex**, saw first half sales improve 7.6% to \$1.14 billion following a 22% decline in 2025. Order intake for the six months was up 5% to \$1.15 billion, leaving the backlog/order book at the end of June at \$914 million, up 28% on this time last year. Operating profit, however, declined 48% to \$39 million. Terex as a whole saw revenues for the six months improve 46.5% to \$3.97 billion, but pre-tax profit plummeted 88.5% to \$13 million.



UK rental company **Nationwide Hire** trading as **Nationwide Hire Solutions** was placed into administration in July and then sold to **Alliance Hire Solutions**, a new company owned by Alliance Tool Hire shareholders. The move saves all 28 jobs at the company, which will continue to trade under the Nationwide Hire Solutions name.



Loader crane and aerial lift manufacturer **Palfinger** saw revenues for the six months to the end of June increase 2.3% to €1.65 billion. Pre-tax profit fell 2% to €70.9 million, while net debt at the end of June was €687.7 million, down 10% on this time last year, maintaining the order book at €973 million.



Finnish port handling and overhead crane manufacturer **Konecranes** reported first half revenues of €1.93 billion down 5.3% on last year. Order intake jumped 6.9% to €2.3 billion, pushing the order book to €3.38 billion, up 16.1% on the year. Pre-tax profits slipped 9.1% to €207.6 million, while net debt was cut to just €22.3 million this year.



Oshkosh access division - **JLG**, **Hinowa** and **Ausa** - saw revenues for the six months to the end of June increase 5% to \$2.32 billion. Operating profit slumped 34.5% to \$186.3 million. The order book at the end of June was up 65% at \$1.96 billion.



United Rentals

reported record first half revenues of \$8.4 billion, up 7.5% on last year. Most of the gains came from rental which grew almost 11% to \$7.3 billion. Pre-tax profit was 12% higher at \$1.7 billion. Capital expenditure in the first half was \$2.93 billion, up 29% on last year.



Loader crane manufacturer **Hiab** posted first half revenues 4% higher at €814 million. Order intake for the six months jumped 11% to €839 million, leaving the backlog 6% higher at €589 million. Pre-tax profit fell 29% to €89.9 million.



Mastclimber and hoist manufacturer **Alimak** has reported first half revenues of SEK3.41 billion (€308.7 million), down 3.1%, while order intake fell 5.3% to SEK3.53 billion (€319.6 million). Pre-tax profits declined 15% to SEK437 million (€39.6 million). Net debt was cut 3% to SEK2.55 billion (€213.7 million).



Konecranes has acquired a 70% stake in Japanese hoist manufacturer **Mitsubishi Electric FA Industrial Products** from Mitsubishi Electric Corporation.





TOWER CRANES IN THE AMAZON

Four Liebherr 85 EC-B tower cranes are currently deployed at the AmazonFACE (Free-Air Carbon Dioxide Enrichment) research site near Manaus, Brazil, to lift researchers and scientific equipment more than 45 metres above the rainforest canopy to study how the world's largest tropical forest may respond to rising CO₂ levels in the coming decades.

AmazonFACE says it chose the five tonne/50 metre jib cranes to access an intact area of old growth forest rather than using scaffold structures, elevated walkways or other access platforms because each tower has a small footprint while still providing wide horizontal reach across the plots, thereby reducing soil disturbance.

Scientists working at high level are exposing part of the rainforest to carbon dioxide concentrations allowing them to monitor real time changes in the canopy, soils, biodiversity and carbon uptake.

The Amazon basin stores an estimated 150 to 200 billion tonnes of carbon in its vegetation and soil. Whether that carbon store grows, remains stable or diminishes under rising CO₂ concentrations is one of the central unresolved questions in Earth system science and the answer will substantially shape projections for global warming trajectories.



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NEWS HIGHLIGHTS

- Ireland's **Armorom MD Mark Evans** has left the company



Mark Evans

- UK's **ABA Cranes** has taken a **Liebherr MK140-5.1** mobile tower crane

- Genie** will mark its 60th anniversary at **Vertikal Days**

- UK's **DLM** has launched an in-house AI chatbot dubbed **DynaBot**

- US's **Bay Crane** has acquired **Clark Rigging & Rental** in Upstate New York

- UK's **ABAX** has launched **Vision AI** combining cameras with driver safety technology

- Niftylift** will unveil three new products at **Vertikal Days**

- US's **Ascent Lifting** has acquired **United Rigging** in Florida

- US's **WireCo** has appointed **Luis Padilla** as COO - N.America



Luis Padilla

- Australia's **BSF Mobile Cranes** has taken the country's first **Liebherr MK 88-4.1E** mobile self-erector, as well as a 450t LTM 1400-6.1 AT

- South Africa's **Johnson Crane Hire**, **Tadano** and **MMS Mobile Cranes** have raised £3,800 for Hope Haven Home of Safety

- Scotland's **J&D Pierce** has taken five **Grove** All Terrains

- UK's **Bray Cranes** has taken its 20th crane, a **Spierings SK1265-AT6 eLift**

- UK's **Clearview Services** has taken an **Elma CR30-H** tracked carrier

- Dick Schalekamp Snr**, founder of Dutch company **Riwal**, has died



Dick Schalekamp

- Netherlands' **Kraanverhuur T. Pater** has taken twin electric **Spierings SK597-AT4 eLift**

- UK's **MTC** has taken a 40t **Liebherr LTM 1040-2.1 AT** on its 40th anniversary

- UK's **Osprey** has relocated to larger headquarters in Portishead, Somerset

- A **Potain** self-erector has been taken to the summit of Fløya mountain in Norway on custom built skis

- US's **Sims Crane & Equipment** has promoted **Mike Kuffermann** to chief operating officer



Mike Kuffermann

- Belgium's **Vertimac** has appointed **Frederik Michiels** and **Adam Saynaroev** to its Platform Parts sales team for German speaking markets



Frederik Michiels



Adam Saynaroev

- UK's **Dewsbury & Proud** has taken a 250t **Grove GMK5250XL-1** All Terrain

- Denmark's **GMV** has appointed **Pick & Place Lifting Equipment** as distributor for Canada

- Sarens** has taken four large **XCMG** All Terrain cranes

- VDL Energy Systems** has appointed **Armorom** as distributor in Ireland

- UK's **T H White** has added **Sany** reach stackers and container handlers to its product range and appointed **Lewis Morgan** to oversee the operation



Lewis Morgan

- Ireland's **RMP** has taken the country's first 20m **Almacrawler B2190-A** spider lift, as well as six 26ft **Zoomlion** scissor lifts



Jens Meyer

- Teupen** has reappointed **Jens Meyer** as regional sales manager N.Germany

- Australia's **Ausdirect** has taken a second 135ft **Genie SX-135 XC** telescopic boom

- UK's **Davies Crane Hire** and **City Lifting** have each taken a **Spierings SK1265-AT6 eLift**

- UK's **Southern Cranes & Access** has taken a 150t **Liebherr LTM 1150-5.3** and a 300t LTM 1300-6.4

- UK's **AFI Rentals** has taken four 21m **CTE ZED 21.3 JHV** truck mounts

- Hoeflon** has appointed **Gantic Sverige** as its official distributor for Sweden

- UK crane and access industry veteran **Andy Sutliff** of rental company **NMT** has died



Andy Sutliff

- Australia's **Loughlin Crane Hire** has taken a 22t **Franna AT22-2** articulated pick & carry crane

- Davies Crane Hire** in the UK has taken a 300t **Grove GMK6300L-1** and 250t **GMK5250XL-1**

- UK tree care company **Rockleigh** has taken two 21m **Easy Lift RA21** spider lifts

- Germany's **Marcus Riedelsheimer Autokran Dienste** has taken a 55t **Liebherr LTM 1055-3.3 AT**

- Noblelift** has opened a subsidiary in Bangkok, Thailand

- RRC Crane Hire** of Wales has taken a 450t **Liebherr LTM 1450-8.1** All Terrain

- UK's **Hire Safe Solutions** has taken a 20m **CTE B-Lift 20J** 'automatic' telescopic truck mount

- Germany's **Contargo** has ordered its first electric reach stacker

- Kobelco** has appointed **Akira 'Andy' Takayama** as director of its European crane division



Akira 'Andy' Takayama

- IPS Ireland** has moved into a new purpose-built warehouse in Dundalk, County Louth

- Belgium's **Gheysens** used a 450t **Tadano AC 7.450-1** for a lift in central Bruges

- Merlo** has expanded its UK technical training programme for service engineers and dealers

- Germany's **Würzburger Kranverleih** has taken a 120t **Liebherr LTM 1120-4.2**

- Faresin** has extended its distribution agreement with France's **Bergerat Monnoyeur** to include the Benelux region

- UAE based access industry veteran **Peter Ellis** has died

- Netherlands' **Kooiker & Russcher Bouwkransen** has taken 12 **Terex** self-erectors

- BG Lift** has appointed **CMC's** N.American distribution subsidiary as its exclusive distributor for the USA

- An STS gantry crane has collapsed at the Port of Tyne in the UK after being struck by a ship

- Germany's **Max Bögl** has taken the first of five 800t **Liebherr LTM 1750-9.1** All Terrains

- Italy's **NMG Italia** has transported a 2.8t **Jekko SPX328** spider crane by helicopter to build a mountain hut in N.Italy

- Tadano** has appointed **Frédéric Valentin** as sales manager for France



Frédéric Valentin

- Italy's **Gruppo Selini** has acquired forklift dealer and rental company **Raicar Service**

- Germany's **KönningKrone** has taken its third **Liebherr AT**, a 150t LTM 1150-5.4

- Germany's **Kran Völkl** has taken a second 150t **Liebherr LTM 1150-5.3** All Terrain

- Faresin** has appointed **Haulotte Australia** as exclusive distributor for construction and rental

- The UK has implemented provisional import tariffs on Chinese built booms, trailer lifts and spider lifts ranging from 15.25% to 71.74%

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