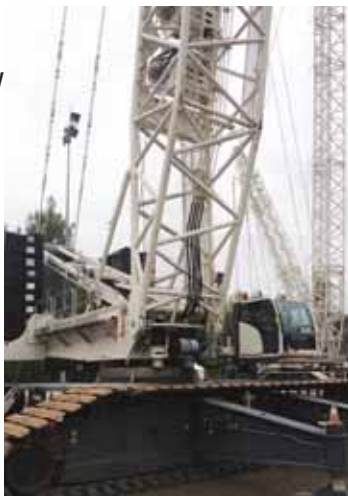


Terex launches CC2800 replacement

Terex has unveiled its 650 tonne Superlift 3800 crawler crane - the long awaited successor to the highly successful 600 tonne CC2800-1. The new crane can lift its maximum capacity to a radius of five to 12 metres depending on configuration, while the load chart is said to be around 20 percent better than the CC2800 overall. The new crane can be ordered with a universal boom system or a boom with an integrated wind kit that allows the crane to erect turbines of up to 117 metres without using the superlift configuration.



The Superlift 3800 has a side outrigger option to monitor ground conditions while raising or lowering long booms

A more rigid boom allows the light duty extension to handle up to 178 tonnes, while the maximum load moment is boosted to 8,426 tonne/metres. Other features include a larger, more comfortable cab and optional side mounted outriggers with built-in pressure sensors that allow the operator to monitor stability and ground conditions while raising or lowering long booms – all of which can be done without the need for an assist crane.

(See crawler crane feature page 25)



The new 650 tonne Superlift 3800

CICA issues first Gold Plate

The Crane Industry Council of Australia (CICA) has issued its first major inspection gold verification plate. The first plate was issued for a Liebherr LTM1080/1 owned by Universal Cranes, the superstructure of which has completed 14,429 hours and the carrier of which has travelled 121,206 kilometres since its manufacture in 1999.

The strip-down and rectification inspection/work was supervised by M&I Inspection Services while D. Jones of Metrotech was the engineer who signed off on its next major inspection due date - December 2021. CICA carries out a 'desk-top audit' of the major inspection report to verify that it conforms to Australian Standards, Crane Codes of Practice (including the new Safe Work Australia copy), OH&S regulations and sound engineering principles.

If the report meets all these requirements, CICA will issue a 'Gold Plate' to fix to the crane that confirms to site personnel and regulators, that the crane has undergone a fully legitimate major inspection, complete with all necessary documentation and testing.



Brandon Hitch (L) of CraneSafe/CICA presents the first Gold Plate to Joachim Schalck of Universal Cranes



The new Movex TLF9 and TLF10 are ultra compact and do not require stabilisers

Two new models from Movex

Spanish vehicle mounted lift manufacturer Movex has launched two new van mounted lifts designed for city centre applications, such as traffic lights, phone masts and CCTV maintenance. The two models offer nine and 10 metre working heights and can be mounted on a 2.8 tonne van without outriggers or stabilisers. Both are one man machines with 120kg platform capacity.

The TLF9 has a maximum working height of 8.8 metres, with up to five metres of outreach. When the boom is in its transport position it is carried on the roof with very little rear overhang. The company says that the platform unfolds automatically ready for work. The TLF10 has an extra metre of working height with the same specification as the TLF9. Both models have 420 degree non-continuous slew, proportional controls in the platform, auxiliary controls with five metre wandering lead and easy access to a manual descent valve in the case of a total power loss.



Cargotec to float Marine business

As part of the changes the company will also seek an Asian stock market listing for its MacGregor Marine business, although it will retain a majority stake. It is also breaking up its Service division, returning service responsibility to the three separate businesses. No timetable has been issued for the changes.

Bardonaro to leave Terex for Maxim



Frank Bardonaro

Frank Bardonaro, currently managing director global sales at Terex Cranes is leaving the company to return to Maxim Crane Works, which he left in 2001 when he joined Amquip. Bardonaro joined Terex two years ago as vice president and managing director of Terex Cranes in the Americas after stepping down as Amquip's chief executive. He was promoted to his current position 12 months ago. Terex Cranes managing director Kevin Bradley will assume Bardonaro's duties on an interim basis.

Douglas to chair IPAF UK

Peter Douglas, executive director of operations at Nationwide Platforms, has been elected chairman of the newly formed IPAF UK Country Council after its first meeting in Edinburgh. Ben Hirst, joint managing director of Horizon Platforms and representative of the Access Alliance, was elected vice-chairman. The IPAF UK Country Council, which is comprised of 22 members, says that it aims to drive operating standards and improve safety in the industry by ensuring that members are kept up to date with any legislative, technical or other changes which might affect them.



Peter Douglas

IPS and APS to merge

UK-based Independent Parts and Service (IPS) and Access Platform Sales (APS) are to merge into what will be the UK's largest powered access distributor. IPS is based in Telford in the West Midlands, while APS is located in the East Midlands in Huntingdon, with a full service branch in Scotland. The transaction does not include the Australian operations of IPS which have been acquired by Rick Mustillo, but does include IPS France, its new IPS venture in Holland and its international dealerships.



The deal is done - (L-R) Richard Tindale, Jim Daintith, Tony Jennings and Kevin Shadbolt

The two companies have similar sales volumes, giving the combined business revenues of more than £15 million, with around 100 employees, three geographically strategic locations and 22 mobile service vans. The merged business will be managed by the four senior directors of the two companies, all of whom have different strengths and who will focus on different areas. Tony Jennings principal shareholder and managing director of IPS will be chief financial officer, Jim Daintith chairman and principal shareholder of APS is more of an entrepreneur and will focus on strategy and business development, Kevin Shadbolt of IPS will be operations director and Richard Tindale of APS the sales and marketing director.

For a full report go to www.vertikal.net

Instant opens plant in China

Aluminium tower manufacturer Instant UpRight has opened a new manufacturing facility - UpRight Asia - in Foshan, Guangzhou, southern China. Dealers and customers from Asia, the Middle East and Australia attended the opening, which included a conference.

The move follows the acquisition of Scaffworx, a tower manufacturer in Guangzhou, in 2011. The plant will produce a range of welded and non-welded mobile aluminium towers, low-level access products and aluminium system scaffold for Asia, Australasia, and the Middle East. China will also become the company's worldwide development centre for low-level access products.



The UpRight Asia facility in Guangzhou, China

Singapore gets tough on crane safety

Singapore's Ministry of Manpower (MOM) has fined 31 companies in 'Operation Hornbill', its first major enforcement exercise since new regulations regarding crane safety came into force in September last year. The fines ranged between S\$200 (\$162) and S\$6,200 (\$5,000) and five companies were also ordered to stop work immediately. The operation was conducted over a three month period by the ministry's Occupational Safety & Health Division and focused on the size of the load, communication by the lifting team, as well as ground conditions and obstacles.

The majority of fines related to a failure to maintain the cranes - including wire ropes - in good working order and the absence of proper plans for lifting operations. Many were also caught for using defective lifting gear, as well as using cranes which had not been examined and certified by an authorised examiner. In a separate move the Singapore authorities have announced that Data Loggers will be mandatory on all new cranes from January and that it is considering making them a legal requirement on all cranes.

Multitel adds telescopic jib to 3.5 tonne



Multitel's new MJ201

Italian truck mounted lift manufacturer Multitel has unveiled a new 21 metre telescopic lift with telescopic articulating jib, mounted on a 3.5 tonne chassis. The Multitel MJ201, which has a platform 225kg, features a three section telescopic boom, two section telescopic jib and end mounted platform.

The rear outriggers remain within the vehicle body, while H-frame front outriggers offer the option of setting up within the chassis width - extending on one side only or both sides. The electronics automatically determine the available working envelope, depending on the front outrigger setting and the weight in the platform. The MJ201 offers more than 20 metres of working height and up to 12 metres of outreach. The articulating jib provides up to five metres outreach from the boom tip when fully extended.

The new 34 metre working height Holland Lift G-320EL28 4WDS/N



Narrow 32m from Holland Lift

Holland Lift has designed a narrower version of its massive 32 metre/106ft platform height battery electric scissor lift, the G-320EL28 4WDS/N. The new model has an overall width of 2.8 metres, rather than the three metres of the regular 32 metre unit.

It also retains the four wheel drive and four wheel steer features of the wider model but has solid non-marking tyres in place of the usual foam filled ones and a slightly smaller 1240ah/80 volt battery pack in order to fit into the narrower machine width. The first two units have been purchased for power station maintenance work in China, through the company's agent in China – Yacontee. The first unit has already been shipped to Shanghai, while the second unit will go out at the end of this month.



New test facility for Tadano-Faun

Tadano Faun has opened a new 43,000 square metre test site for its cranes in Pegnitz, to the north of its main plant in Lauf. The location was chosen for its significantly lower land costs compared to a site closer to the company's 150,000 square metre main plant.



The idea is that cranes will complete a test drive to the site and then run through the normal lifting tests before shipping to the customer or distributor. The new facility is located close to the E51/A9 Autobahn. The opening of the new facility, which is located on a 60,000 square metre plot, was celebrated with the handover of a ceremonial key by the local Mayor Manfred Thümmel. It is expected to be fully operational early in the new year.

Tadano Faun's new test site in Pegnitz.

Loxam invests in UK

Loxam has invested almost £9 million in new equipment for its UK access business over the past 12 months with the lion's share – more than 100 machines out of a total of 215 – being delivered to its Wembley location in London.

Loxam says that as a result of this investment, over 85 percent of its UK fleet is now five years old or younger. The bulk of the Wembley additions are Niftylift self-propelled boom lifts including the latest 63ft platform height Hybrid HR21's which it says are aimed at an increasingly environmentally-focused customer base.

This has increased the Niftylift fleet at the branch from five units to more than 30, including the HR12, HR15 and HR21. Other new platforms include eight 12.5 metre van mounts on 3.5 tonne chassis aimed at increasing its London Emission Zone compliant vehicle mount market, Skyjack scissor lifts and two 135ft Genie Z135s.



Loxam technical manager Darrel Voce (L) hands over the latest additions to Wembley branch foreman Doyle Waldren.

Palfinger acquires in Brazil

Palfinger has acquired Brazilian hydraulic component manufacturer Tercek, including its bus wheel chair lift division Libero. The transaction will see Palfinger acquire all of the outstanding shares in Tercek, which is based in Caxias do Sul, Brazil.

The company was looking for a strong partner to help fund its plans to increase market penetration and expand. Tercek production will be relocated to Palfinger's facility which is also located in Caxias do Sul.

Tercek is classified as a small-sized high innovation enterprise and as such receives funds from the national Studies and Projects



The Libero bus lift

Finance Organisation. Libero bus lifts represent a new product sector in Brazil which is said to have enormous growth potential. From 2014 onwards all municipal buses will be required by law to be equipped with a bus lift for passengers with limited mobility.

MEC opens European facility

US specialist aerial lift manufacturer MEC has opened a new European distribution facility in De Lier, the Netherlands - near the Hook of Holland. The new facility which is being overseen by Jim Tolle, vice president strategic development international markets, will serve as a warehouse for new machines and replacement parts and house a workshop to carry out pre-delivery inspections, and handle all service related matters.

"De Lier was chosen because of its proximity to the port and its central location. This will allow us to provide our customers with a quick turnaround once the product arrives in Europe and is the first step in our planned expansion for the European market. In early 2013 we plan to open a similar operation in the UK," said Tolle.



The MEC Titan 40-S.



Two T330 for Easi UpLifts

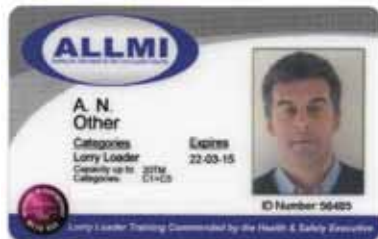
Irish based international rental company Easi UpLifts has taken delivery of two 33 metre Ruthmann Steiger T330 truck mounted lifts. The new lifts feature four section telescopic booms with 33 metre working height and 21 metres of outreach. The platform rotates a full 180 degrees with jib articulation of 185 degrees, while platform capacity is 320kg. Mounted on a two axle 7.5 tonne chassis the overall length is just 8.79 metres. Ruthmann claims to have sold over 150 units of the T 330 since it was launched in 2011.

UKCG recognises ALLMI training

The United Kingdom Contractors Group (UKCG) has agreed to recognise the ALLMI loader crane training and operators card and to incorporate ALLMI training into its list of Accepted Record Schemes. The UKCG is the largest contractor group in the UK and its members account for £33 billion worth of total construction revenues - a third of total UK construction output.

When a previous temporary agreement recognising the ALLMI card expired earlier this year, the group tried to push ALLMI into its favoured CPCS scheme with the threat to stop accepting the card on its sites. ALLMI members rejected the proposal preferring to continue without UKCG acceptance. The contractor's group clearly had a change of mind and has decided to fully recognise the card after all.

David Lambert, health and safety advisor for the UKCG, said: "The UKCG is pleased to include the ALLMI Lorry Loader Training Scheme as a 'recognised scheme' under its 'Accepted Record Schemes'. The UKCG recognises that the ALLMI scheme is used across the UK by a wide range of suppliers and contractors, providing a defined level of training for those using lorry loaders on UKCG sites."



JLG offers SkyGuard retrofit kit

JLG has announced the availability of the retrofit package for its SkyGuard crush protection system. The retrofit kit allows owners to equip almost any JLG diesel/gas powered booms manufactured since 2004 with the new system, and thus meet the demands of those contractors who insist on the fitment of such devices on machines operating on their sites. The retrofit version offers all of the features of the factory fitted version, including automatic reversal of last function.



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One of Hi-Reach's new JLG 1500SJ dwarfs a new 80ft 800AJ



Hi-Reach buys big with JLG

UK based rental company Hi-Reach Access has taken delivery of several large boom lifts from JLG in an order worth well over £1 million. The new machines include 120ft platform height 1200SJPs and 150ft 1500SJ Ultra booms.

The units were delivered to the company's depot network in September in order, it says, to reinforce its position as a leading supplier of large self-propelled boom lifts in the UK market. All the units have been ordered with full specification including on-board electrical power.

IPAF implements mandatory accident reporting

As of January 1st 2013, IPAF rental members in the UK will be required to report all aerial lift accidents involving their staff on the IPAF accident database - www.ipaf.org/accident. The move to make accident reporting a condition of IPAF membership for UK rental companies was agreed at the first meeting of the IPAF UK Country Council and subsequently ratified by IPAF's international council.

Peter Douglas, chairman of the UK Country Council, who has been leading the accident reporting campaign, said: "We need to make the industry safer, the data collected will help indicate the most common high risk behaviours. If we can reduce those risky behaviours, we will gradually reduce the number of fatal and serious accidents."

"The initial mandate is to report all lost time incidents, but all members are strongly encouraged to get on board and report all accidents, near misses and contractor incidents they are aware of. The more information we have, the better we will be armed to reduce accidents in our industry."



Reporting all accidents will become a condition of IPAF membership for UK rental companies

HSE investigation charges start this month

The UK's Health and Safety Executive's new cost recovery scheme – Fee For Intervention (FFI), came into force this month. Under The Health and Safety (Fees) Regulations 2012, those who break health and safety laws are liable for recovery of HSE's related costs, including inspection, investigation and taking enforcement action at a rate of £124 an hour. Businesses that comply with their legal obligations will continue to pay nothing.

Geoffrey Podger, HSE's chief executive, said: "The most basic safety mistakes in the workplace can devastate lives and result in

real costs to industry. It is right that those who fail to meet their legal obligations should pay HSE's costs rather than the public purse having to do so. Fee for Intervention provides a further incentive for businesses to manage health and safety effectively and to operate within the law. It should also help level the playing field between those who comply and those who don't."

Employers can find practical advice, tools and case studies for controlling common risks and ensuring compliance at:

www.hse.gov.uk/toolbox/index.htm



Hirepool bids for Hirequip

Next Capital, which owns a controlling interest in New Zealand rental company Hirepool, has confirmed speculation that it has made a bid for the HireQuip rental business. HireQuip, which is also based in New Zealand, appointed an administrator in July after its owner, private equity company Tasman Capital Partners, proved unable to refinance the company's \$117.8 million of debt.

Hirequip has 37 branches and 320 employees in New Zealand, while Hirepool has 52 locations. If a deal is agreed with the receiver, Commerce Commission approval will almost certainly be required as the combined entity would have a market share approaching 40 percent. We understand that the plan would be for the two companies to continue as independent businesses, at least in the short term.

Australian-based Next Capital, which also owns Onsite Rentals in Australia, acquired its 75 percent stake in Hirepool in July 2006 from Goldman Sachs and Mainfreight. The balance is owned by Sharon Hunter and Tenby Powell.



New Ruthmann for AA

UK based AA Access has taken delivery of the first Ruthmann T460 in the UK, the new model is of the company's Height Performance range, which will be extended into the 50 metre market in early November.

Owner Andy Ainsworth said: "I am very pleased with it. I especially like the excellent 'Up and Over' capability. We took delivery at the end of September and it went straight to work."



The new Ruthmann T460 at the Dunhill Cup, St Andrews, Scotland

Socage upgrades A314 pick-up

The revamped A314 - the A314 Forste - features four outrigger jacks for better levelling



Socage has upgraded its 13.5 metre Isuzu D-Max pick-up mounted A314 work platform. The upgraded model, designated the A314 Forste, is designed for off-road work, has 270 degrees slew and a platform capacity of 225kg. The upgrades include: a new automatic greasing/lubrication system, a simplified, more user friendly control panel, a lighter structure to increase vehicle payload, 180 degrees platform rotation which also helps improve the outreach to 7.2 metres, four stabiliser jacks in place of two, with new ground controls for better levelling on rough terrain.



Five of the Grove Rough Terrain cranes for EEI

Seven Grove RTs for Philippines

EEI, one of the largest construction companies in the Philippines has taken delivery of seven new Grove Rough Terrain cranes for the construction of a major petrochemical plant. Five of the cranes, four 60 tonne RT765E-2s and an 80 tonne RT890E, were bought specifically for the project, while two additional 55 tonne RT760Es have been rented from Manitowoc.

Located in the coastal city of Batanga, south of Manila, the job site includes extreme heat, humidity, uneven ground and tight spaces. The cranes will work 12 hour days, six days a week to ensure the plant is completed on time.

Stop frame video demonstrates powered access at its best

After taking delivery of its first 50 metre Bronto S50XDT-J, UK rental company Facelift made a special high resolution time-lapse film of one of its first jobs at a Carthusian monastery where it proved its versatility. The resulting short video is a first class example of what the

latest generation of aerial lifts is capable of and a great selling tool for modern powered access. It is worth a look, regardless if you are a competitive rental company or an end user who faces challenging access issues. Go to the video section on www.vertikal.net.



The Bronto was able to reach much of the monastery from one position



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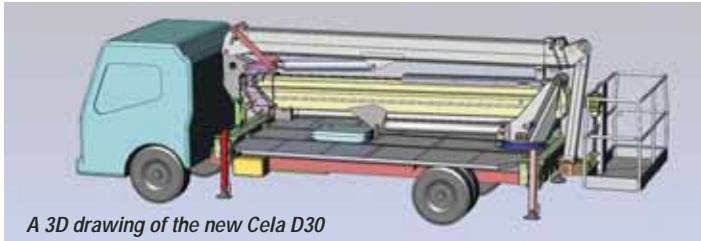


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Cela takes D concept to 30 metres

Italian spider and truck mounted lift manufacturer Cela is to unveil a 30 metre DT30 articulated truck mounted lift at SAIE. The new lift, most likely on a 7.5 tonne truck, will feature the same dual telescopic articulated design as the company's D21 and D24 models with four section lower boom and three section top boom, but it will also have an additional articulating jib. Unrestricted platform capacity will be 250kg and the unit will have the same below ground capability and low stowed height as its smaller relatives.

The new D30 will have the same basic configuration as the D24 but with the addition of an articulated jib



A 3D drawing of the new Cela D30

Barnhart buys in New York

Barnhart Crane & Rigging of Memphis, Tennessee has acquired C&S Crane & Rigging of Syracuse, New York from C&S Companies. C&S acquired the crane assets of JPW Riggers in 2008, merging it with its small crane fleet and has since substantially increased the amount of outside lifting work that it carries out. The crane fleet now runs from 15 to 200 tons and includes a range of specialised rigging equipment. All C&S Crane & Rigging employees have been hired by Barnhart and the company will continue to operate from its existing location.

Barnhart operates from 25 locations in the USA, offering lifting and transportation services for the power generation, petrochemical, and renewable energy industries.

Ron Peckham chief executive of C&S Companies said: "The acquisition will offer customers both the personal service and local presence that has fuelled rapid growth for C&S Crane & Rigging, and will complement Barnhart's existing business. The sale is evidence of the improving private economy in Central New York and will allow C&S to focus on its other construction-related offerings."

More Dino booms for Sweden

Swedish rental company Hyrse has taken delivery of two new Dinolift 185XTS self-propelled articulated boom lifts. A key consideration for the company, which is based in Kiruna 1,310km north of Stockholm, was that the machines needed to be able to handle the extreme cold of the winter months. "We think that it will help

that these units have an engine heater, residual current and a cover over the control panel and probably the highest standard of components in the business," said Torbjörn Malmström of Hyrse. The new machines were purchased through Dinolift's Swedish distributor Zip-Up Svenska.



The Dino 185XTS being evaluated by the customer at the Dino plant in Loimaa, Finland

Heli opens new premises

Belgian crane and access distributor and rental company Heli has officially opened its new four hectare (10 acre) facilities in Wetteren, Belgium. The event was celebrated with an open day and party which included supplier equipment demonstrations from Maeda mini cranes, Snorkel aerial platforms, Bluelift spider lifts and Glaslift manipulators, as well as guided tours around the new premises.

The new facility brings together all the Heli group companies and more than 80 employees in three



The new premises covers 4 hectares

warehouses totalling 6,000 square metres plus 1,650 square metres of office space. The company's 850 machine rental fleet is based at the new facility. Heli also has a division in France, near Cergy Pontoise north west of Paris, which manages the rental and sales of aerial platforms and mini cranes for Northern France and the Paris region. Next year the company celebrates its 30th anniversary.



The new workshops



Some of the equipment demonstrations



The Maeda mini crane corner

And Wim Le Roy departs

Shortly after the open day Heli's sales manager Wim Le Roy announced that following persistent disagreements over the future strategy of the company he will be departing the business and seeking a new challenge in order "to allow the management board to be in harmony again".

Spierings celebrated its 25 anniversary and launched the City Boy

Dutch based mobile self-erecting tower crane manufacturer Spierings held an open day at its Oss headquarters in late September to celebrate its 25th anniversary and the launch of its SK387-AT3 City Boy. Employees and customers attended the two day event with a party on Friday evening followed by an open day on Saturday.



Spierings 25th anniversary celebrations

The City Boy first seen in concept form at Bauma 2010, is significantly different to the six other models produced by Spierings. Most noticeable is the single operator's cab that serves as both the drivers cab and as the elevating



crane cab. A third tower section raises the horizontal jib height to 30 metres with a 36 metre radius and 1,800kg at the jib tip.

Both 30 degree and 45 degree luffing is available giving 45.9 metre and 53.75 metre under hook heights which provide a 1,800kg capacity at a 31.4 metre radius and a 1,500kg capacity at a 25.8 metres respectively. Overall width is 2.5 metres - length just over 13 metres and height four metres. Gross Vehicle Weight is 36 tonnes. The design parameter was to halve the average fuel consumption resulted in a brand new drive train with a 400kW electric motor directly coupled to the front axle and a frequency control unit to convert accelerator pedal operation into variable road speeds from zero to its 80kph maximum. The same electric motor provides electric regenerative braking to top up

the batteries, while a John Deere 205kW diesel engine running at constant speed provides the main charging source for the lithium ion battery pack. In addition to the main drive train, the crane has a hydraulic auxiliary drive motors on the rear wheels to improve on site traction/power. When the tower is in the upright position and cab elevated, the chassis may be driven via the remote controller.



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- **Sir Matthew Goodwin**, founder of Hewden Plant and Hewden Stuart, has passed away aged 83.



Sir Matthew Goodwin

- Aerial lift and telehandler company **CanSource Lifts** of Edmonton, Alberta, is building new premises.

- **Next Capital**, which owns New Zealand based **Hirepool** has bid for the **HireQuip** rental business.

- **Manitowoc** has launched a public offering for \$250 million worth of senior notes with a 2022 maturity date.

- **Compact Lifting Equipment** has achieved its third consecutive Safecontractor accreditation.

- **CTE** has entered into talks over further cut backs at its Bertinoro plant.

- The 2013 **Vertikal Press** editorial calendar and media kit is now online.

- **Snorkel** has appointed **Diesel Hydraulique Services**, the Tadano-Faun dealer, as its distributor for France.

- UK rental company **Facelift** has taken delivery of a 50 metre Bronto S50XTD-J.

- **Wim Le Roy**, sales manager of Belgian sales and rental company **Heli** has decided to leave the company.



Wim Le Roy

- A hand-cranked crane built by **Bowser and Cameron** of Glasgow in 1859 has been fully restored.

- **Terex** has appointed **Newcom Mining Services** as its distributor in Mongolia.

- **Briggs Equipment UK** has acquired the UK assets of **Hyster** fork truck distributor **Barloworld Handling**.

- **Tanfield**, owner of **Snorkel**, has issued a mid-year statement and expects to break even by October.

- **Hertz Equipment** has acquired **Pioneer Equipment Rental and Sales**, an 11 location operation in Oklahoma.

- British prime minister **David Cameron** has officially opened **JCB's** new \$100 million factory in Brazil.

- UK access company **Platform Sales & Hire** has appointed **Wayne Moulit** to head up a new West Midlands location.



Wayne Moulit

- Russian utility contractor **Energostroyinvest CJSC** has purchased a 23 metre **Palazzani** Ragno TSJ 23C.

- **Genie** is transferring production of 0its 125ft S-125 telescopic boom to China to make room for a new product.

- **James Darnley**, previously sales manager at **Leach Lewis** in the UK, has joined **Lifterz** owner **LSGI**.



James Darnley

- A new company **Edwards Lifting Services** has been set up in the UK to provide crane operators and other staff.

- Distributor and rental company **Heli** has officially opened its new facilities in Wetteren, Belgium.

- **Ruthmann** has appointed **Powered Access Hungary** as its distributor.

- The **Crane Industry Council of Australia** has confirmed its new board, following recent elections.

- **Ruthmann** has appointed **Acarlar Makine** as its distributor in Turkey.

- Grove veteran and **JLG** founder **Paul Shockey** has passed away aged 89.

- **Tanfield** has announced that **Smith Electric Vehicles** shelved its planned Initial Public Offering.

- **Larsen & Toubro** has taken delivery of two **Potain MD 1100** cranes at its shipbuilding facility near Chennai.

- 800 construction workers staged a protest at the site in Perth after a tower crane hoist cable incident.

- US based software company **Wynne Systems** has appointed **Robert Gray** as account manager.



Robert Gray

- Loader and service crane manufacturer **Iowa Mold Tooling** has appointed **Don Daniels** as sales director.



Don Daniels

- UK based **Smiths Equipment** can now transport two **Nifty 62ft** boom lifts on a single truck.

- **Palfinger** has acquired Brazilian component manufacturer **Tercek** including its bus lift division **Lifero**.

- **Socage** has upgraded its 13.5 metre **Isuzu D-Max** pick-up mounted **A314** work platform.

- Singapore based **Tat-Hong** has raised S\$82.1 million for the purchase of new cranes to expand its fleet.

- A team from heavy lift specialist **Mammoet UK** has attempted the UK's National 3 Peaks Challenge.

- **Lifting Gear Hire** has relocated its St. Louis, Missouri warehouse.

- French access rental company **Joly Location** has ordered two new **Ruthmann** truck mounted lifts.

- **Exolgan Container Terminal** in Buenos Aires has taken delivery of its eighth **Liebherr** ship to shore crane.

- **Indiabulls** has taken delivery of four **Liebherr** tower cranes for a development in southern India.

- Aerial lift and telehandler producer **Haulotte** has appointed **Craig Bentley** as UK general manager.



Craig Bentley

- Hydraulic component manufacturer **Sauer Danfoss** has appointed **Eric Alström** as its new chief executive.

- **Wynne Systems** has become the first software company to achieve **ARA Rental Market Metrics** certification.

- Dutch based heavy lift and offshore specialist **Huisman** is to build a production facility in Brazil.

- The Swiss canton of Berne has taken delivery of a new 26 metre **CTE ZED26J** truck mounted lift.

- **Cela** will unveil the 30 metre **DT30** articulated truck mount at SAIE.

- A team from **Horizon Platforms** in the UK has now completed the Yorkshire 3 Peaks Challenge.

- German loader crane manufacturer **Altas** has appointed **Jason Lowthorpe** as a UK regional sales manager.



Jason Lowthorpe

- **MCS** in partnership with **IBM** claims to have helped **A-Plant**, achieve substantial cost savings.

- German offshore wind turbine manufacturer **Areva Wind** has taken delivery of a 400 tonne **Liebherr LTM 1400-7.1** All Terrain crane.

- UK based parts and distribution companies **IPS** and **APS** are to merge.

- Dutch heavy lifting company **T. Pater** has taken delivery of a new 55 tonne **Terex 3160** Challenger All Terrain crane.

- Dutch access rental company **Gunco** has added four **Hitachi** crawler mounted self-propelled booms to its fleet.

- UK civil engineering company **BAM Nuttall** has taken delivery of two new **Kobelco** crawler cranes.

- **LandProp** has taken delivery of an **Alimak SE 630FC** hoist for the maintenance of a sculpture in London.

- Belgian heavy lift group **Sarens** has taken delivery of 20 **Zoomlion** Rough Terrain cranes.

- **Titan Machinery**, the acquisitive US distributor, has boosted first half revenues by over 32 percent.

- UK waste disposal company **Stanton Recycling** has purchased a **Merlo Panoramic P55.9CS** telehandler.

- **Frank Bardonaro** is joining **Maxim Crane Works** in the USA as president of sales and business development.



Frank Bardonaro

- Renewable energy provider **Clean Wind Energy** has announced a partnership with tower crane specialist **Krøll Cranes**.

- Aluminium tower manufacturer **Instant UpRight**, is opening a new manufacturing facility in China.

- Indonesian state oil and gas company **Pertamina** has taken delivery of a **Grove GMK6300L** All-Terrain crane.

- **Bronto Skylift** owner **Federal Signal** has appointed **Braden Waverley** as interim chief financial officer.

- **Nazzareno Zandonà**, technical manager at Italian aerial lift specialist **CTE**, has died aged 48.



Nazzareno Zandonà

- Joystick, electronics and replacement parts supplier **C-Tech Industries** has appointed **Gantic** as its distributor for Norway.

- **Multitel** will launch a new 21 metre telescopic lift with telescopic articulating jib at SAIE.

- **Peter Dahlsten** head of **Ramirent** Sweden has decided to leave the company.

- **Ruthmann Austria** has been formally appointed as the **Niftylift** distributor for the country.

- **Safway Services** has acquired North American Coating, a provider of industrial painting and fireproofing.

- Russian crane rental company **Topkran** has taken delivery of two **Liebherr** All Terrain cranes, a 160 and 200 tonner.

- Transport and shipping company **Wallenius Wilhelmsen Logistics** has acquired **Abnormal Load Services**.

- Parts specialist **TVH** is to become the official parts distributor for **Genie** in 14 Central European countries.

- Australian crane certification organisation **CraneSafe** has promoted **Brandon Hitch** to general manager.



Brandon Hitch

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