

10,000 tonne capacity ALE crane

ALE launched its 10,000 tonne capacity SK10,000 - which it claims is the world's largest land crane - at the Offshore Technology Conference in Texas this week. The SK10,000 uses the same basic design concept as its 5,000 tonne AL.SK350 and can lift at up to 200 metres and offers a ground bearing pressure below 25 tonnes per square metre. Details are minimal as we go to press, but further information will follow in the next issue.

ALE's group technical director Ronald Hoefmans said: "Demand for lifting larger and heavier modules is growing, the introduction of the SK10,000 means that individual lifts of up to 10,000 tonnes are now possible, allowing customers to build larger modules more efficiently in fabrication yards and access a highly mobile and flexible solution to lift them."



ALE's new 10,000 tonne SK10,000



Terex sells US crane assets to Load King

Terex has sold the assets and parts business of its US-based boom truck, truck crane and Crossover crane product lines to Load King, a subsidiary of Custom Truck One Source and part of the Utility One group, which is funded by private equity firm Blackstone. Kansas City-based Custom Truck sells, mounts, rents and supports a wide range of truck mounted equipment including boom trucks, aerial work platforms, loader cranes on trucks and customised chassis.

Founded by the Ross family in 1996 the company has grown rapidly in recent years with the support of Blackstone. This has included the acquisition of trailer manufacturer Load King from Manitex at the end of 2015 and Californian-based crane and utility equipment distributor Great Pacific Equipment about six months ago.

Fred Ross chief executive of Custom Truck One Source said: "This is an important acquisition that expands our broad specialised truck and heavy equipment solutions offering."



Larger telescopic crawler from Grove

Grove has launched the new 127 tonne GHC140 telescopic crawler crane built by Sennebogen. The model features a 52.1 metre six section pinned boom and 15 metre offsettable bi-fold swingaway taking the maximum tip height to 70 metres. The crane's 'level' load chart is good up to 1.5 degrees, with load charts available up to four degrees. The tracks have three positions - fully retracted, mid extension and full extension - all with their own load charts.

The crane can be transported in four loads and self-install its counterweight and tracks. The cab tilts 20 degrees and features a large, air suspension heated seat, climate control system, seven inch screen for viewing camera feeds, an intuitive graphical RCL system and electronic load sensing joystick controls.

A choice of Cummins Tier 4 Final or Tier 3 diesels are available with ECO and Auto Idle modes for improved fuel efficiency. As with other Grove cranes from Sennebogen they will only be available in the Americas.



The new 127 tonne Grove GHC140.

Production ready electric telehandler

Italian manufacturer Faresin unveiled a new battery electric six metre/2,600kg telehandler - the 626 Full Electric - at Bauma, which it says is ready to go into production following a 'soft launch' in October. Based on its regular diesel 626 it uses many of the same non-power components and structure offering 3.1 metres of forward reach with 900kg.

Power comes from a standard lithium 80 volt, 300Ah battery, with the option of a 400Ah battery pack. The standard battery is said to provide three hours continuous operation or six hours typical usage. Recharge time to 100 percent is two hours with a Fast charger, or four hours with standard charger. The optional 400Ah provides four hours continuous operation and eight hours typical usage and takes five hours and 20 minutes with the standard charger or two hours and 35 minutes on a fast charge. The first production units should be shipped within the next six to eight weeks.



The new Faresin 626 Full Electric telehandler





The Unic
URW7035C4
'Cube Crane'

Unic 'Cube Crane'

Unic has unveiled a new spider crane, the URW7035C4, which European distributor Unic Cranes Europe has dubbed the 'Cube Crane'.

Mounted on a tracked spider chassis, the crane has a nine metre three section telescopic mast which raises to the vertical topped by a five section telescopic top boom which extends to a radius of almost 14 metres. When fully extended the crane looks a little like a mini telescopic tracked tower crane with a maximum tip height of 28 metres. It can take 1,000kg to a height of 21.1 metres and 13.9 metres radius. Overall stowed width is 1.5 metres, while features include 360 degree continuous slew, radio remote controls with dual axis joysticks and full overload system.

Manitowoc and Sany agree settlement



Manitowoc has entered into a consent decree with Sany America and Sany Heavy Industry to settle its action for misappropriation of trade secrets relating to Manitowoc's Variable Position Counterweight (VPC) technology.

Speedy acquires Lifterz

UK general rental company Speedy has acquired Yorkshire-based powered access rental company Lifterz from the Bowers family, paying £9.6 million in cash while assuming £11.9 million of debt - which was paid on completion - valuing the company at £21.5 million.

Lifterz runs a fleet of around 1,300 platforms from four locations - Ossett, Haydock, Daventry and Bathgate and employs 90. Revenues for the year to the end of January were £15.2 million with profits of £3.3 million. Gross assets are £17.2 million. The Bowers will remain on board to manage the business although Malcolm Bowers will move to a part time role.

This is the third specialist powered access company that Speedy has acquired since November 2017, having previously added Yeovil-based Prolift Access and Platform Sales & Hire of Milton Keynes. The addition of Lifterz takes the Speedy aerial lift fleet to around 7,500 units making it the second or third largest aerial lift rental company in the UK.



A new name in tower cranes

Belgian tower crane specialist Arcomet and French tower crane rental company Matebat are to merge under the new name Uperio - a combination of the words Up and superior. Philippe Cohet, chairman of Matebat and chief executive of Arcomet will retain his leadership role over the merged business as well as the rest of the group.

The new entity will be the largest tower crane rental company in the world, with a fleet of 2,200 cranes - half of them located in France and half internationally. It will have revenues of more than €200 million and operate from 23 locations across eight countries with 550 employees, 350 of them directly involved with renting, erecting, servicing and delivering the cranes. The company also has plans to add further complementary product lines, such as hoists and formwork.

The Arcomet name will be retained for the group's crane manufacturing operations in Belgium, while the rental fleet will start transitioning to the new branding shortly.

Haulotte's smallest telehandler

Haulotte has started shipping a new 3.2 tonne/seven metre HTL 3207 telehandler, its most compact unit to date. Unveiled as a prototype at Intermat last year, it can lift 2.5 tonnes to 6.85 metres or take 1.3 tonnes to its maximum forward reach of 3.8 metres. Powered by a Kohler Tier IV Final, Stage 3B diesel, it has a standard hydrostatic transmission with a maximum road speed of 25kph. It has an overall width of 2.26 metres an overall height of 2.33 metres and an overall length of 4.67 metres allowing it to enter a standard shipping container. When deployed the stabilisers fall within the machine's overall width while its Gross Vehicle Weight with forks is just over seven tonnes.

The cab is just under a metre wide, and features a large glazed area to maximise visibility, a fully adjustable seat with shock absorbers and 4 in 1 joystick for single handed operation. The load moment indicator includes an automatic cut off when operating in a danger zone, with automatic reset in the case of a malfunction.



The Haulotte HTL 3207 can work inside a shipping container

The 3.2 tonne/seven metre HTL 3207



Mateco acquires Afron

Germany rental group Mateco - part of the TVH group - has acquired Spanish aerial lift and crane sales and rental company Afron in an equity purchase acquisition. Mateco Spain has acquired 100 percent of the outstanding shares in the holding company, Afron Capital. Afron was established in 1980 by Albert Gutknecht and Petra Donoso to sell and rent aerial work platforms, initially in Spain, but over the years has expanded into Portugal and established subsidiaries in Chile and Panama.

Revenues last year were in the region of €16 million from a rental fleet of more than 1,000 units with almost 100 employees working from eight locations. It is also a distributor or sales agent for Isoli, Platform Basket, Maeda, Ommelift and Haulotte.



Carlos Jordà of Mateco Spain (L) and Alberto Gutknecht Donoso of Afron confirm the acquisition

300 JCB telehandlers for Plant Hire UK

UK rental company Plant Hire UK has ordered 300 new JCB telehandlers along with 50 mini excavators in a deal worth almost £17 million. The order takes the total number of JCB telehandlers purchased by Plant Hire UK to 1,800 units ranging from the 2,000kg/four metre 520-40 to JCB's largest telehandler, the 4,000kg/20 metre 540-200.



(L-R) Yvette Henshall-Bell of JCB, Graham Jones of Plant Hire UK and Paul Hartshorn of dealer Gunn JCB.

Nine Terex tower cranes for Select

UK-based Select Crane Hire has ordered nine new Terex tower cranes. The deal, confirmed at Bauma, includes five 18 tonne CTL 272-18 luffing jib tower cranes and four 10 tonne CTT 202-10 flat top cranes.



Terex and Select toast the new tower crane order

Redwood/Ascendant closes its doors

The UK company that builds Ascendant vehicle mounted aerial work platforms - Redwood Engineering - has been wound up. The company produced a range of standard and custom built van, truck, tractor and tracked vehicle mounted platforms with working heights to 30 metres.

Ascendant ran into financial difficulties over an unpaid debt to the UK tax authorities in 2013 when it was majority owned by UK rental company Facelift and was placed into administration and restructured. In 2016 founder Steve Dean acquired the business along with all its debts and liabilities, including a tax repayment plan. Since then the company has been paying off the old debts and rebuilding the business, appointing Skyking as its sole UK dealer in 2017. However it ran into problems again after completed a large deal with a major contractor which withheld payment causing problems with the its tax repayment plan. As a result the tax authorities filed a winding-up order. Dean has another business - Ascendant Access - that handles the parts and service business and plans to ensure that the population of 500 Ascendant platforms continue to be supported and maintained.

Potain offers cranes to Notre Dame

Manitowoc/Potain has made a formal offer to donate tower cranes required for the reconstruction of Notre Dame cathedral in Paris, including the free provision of all related services. Chief executive Barry Pennypacker said: "It seemed natural to us that Potain - which has been involved in the construction of the most emblematic works of French architecture in its 90 year history - is also committed to rebuilding Notre Dame de Paris."

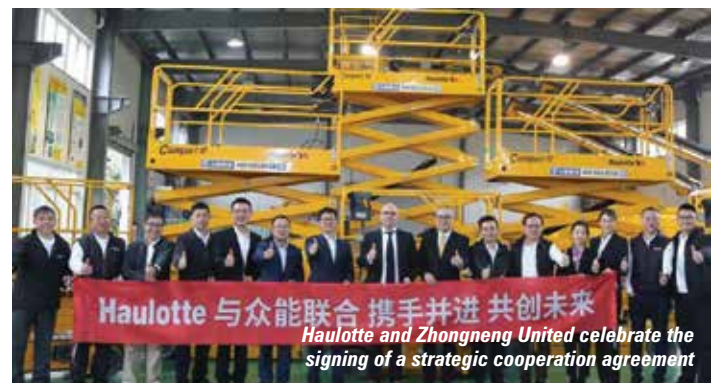
Haulotte and Zhongneng United cooperate

Haulotte China and Zhongneng United Digital Technology have signed a strategic cooperation agreement for the supply of electric scissor lifts. The two companies say that they will work together to drive the development of China's aerial work platform rental market. In the agreement Haulotte will 'share its experience to fully support the development of large rental enterprises like Zhongneng United'.

Nanjing-based Zhongneng was established in 2016 to specialise in platform rental and claims to operate a fleet of 10,000 units including scissors, booms and spider lifts in 32 cities covering 21 provinces across China. The company also has an agreement with JLG, which has until now been its dominant western boom and scissor lift supplier.



Yang Tianli of Zhongneng (L) with Wang Zhijun of Haulotte



Haulotte and Zhongneng United celebrate the signing of a strategic cooperation agreement

All new Vertikal.net

If you are one of thousands of regular readers of Vertikal.net - the web-based lifting industry news site and database - you will have noticed a dramatic change in the past two weeks. The design or look of the site has been fundamentally changed for the first time since we launched in 2001 and is the first major update since 2008. The new horizontal format does perhaps require more scrolling down but is less cluttered and easier to use. The site has also moved to a new global hosting service, which means that it uses a local server no matter where you are in the world, which helps with download speeds. And finally it is all built on a totally new platform that is easier to update, while offering additional opportunities.

The new version dynamically adjusts to match the screen, from wide screen monitors to the smallest smart phone screens. It also loads data more quickly and only does so as you scroll down through the page. There are still a few issues being discovered, in spite of all the months of testing and a lot more editing to be done on the database material that had to be transferred manually. The 'Beta' sign on the logo indicates that there are still some changes to be done but these should be completed in the next week or so.

If you are a regular user of the massive crane and access database, do not worry it has all been transferred, while the News search function has been improved and will also be subject to further improvements during the year. The database - which is currently free to use and free from any form of registration - includes more than 33,000 news reports, almost 45,000 photographs and several hundred magazines and market studies, all of which had to be made compatible with the new platform.

The benefits of the new site are too numerous to cover here, but include less bandwidth usage for the visitor along with space for new features such as application stories and guest editorials. And finally many of the website's services, such as magazine subscriptions and job postings can now be paid online with a credit card.

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LGMG and PB confirm partnership

Chinese aerial lift manufacturer LGMG and German aerial lift manufacturer PB Liftechnik have confirmed a new cooperation agreement for the European market.

LGMG already supplies PB with slab electric scissor lifts which it sells under the PB Eco brand. The two companies say their aim is to combine their strengths in order to serve the European market together, but were short on specific details.



Kranlyft acquires Magni dealer

Kranlyft has acquired Vänermaskin - the Magni dealer for Sweden - from owner Gustav Knutsson who remains with the business. It has also been confirmed as the exclusive distributor for Magni products in Sweden.



Kranlyft has employed the entire Vänermaskin workforce and will maintain the Vänermaskin facility in Grästorp. The business will however be based at Kranlyft headquarters in Gothenburg. It will also continue to work with Vänermaskin's existing service partners. Kranlyft is the European master distributor for Maeda cranes and handles Klaas aluminium cranes in Sweden, the UK and Ireland.

Ultra-low Snorkel scissor concept

Snorkel has unveiled an ultra-low 19ft slab electric scissor lift - the S3019E - which features a patent pending scissor stack design that stows entirely within the chassis, providing an overall stowed height of just 1.76 metres and a step in/ lowered platform height of less than 700mm.

The new lift has direct electric drive and steer eliminating hydraulic hoses, while extending battery life between recharging. Overall width is 770mm, platform capacity 250kg while the overall weight is 1,581kg with deck extension.

Snorkel's ultra-low S3019E



And... electric Speed Level



Snorkel has also launched a battery electric version of its 26ft Speed Level SL26 RT with lithium ion battery pack, the Speed Level SL26E. The new machine is said to have sufficient battery power for a full day's work and offers the same gradeability and speeds as the diesel model. A remote 2.5kWh single phase battery charger can recharge the battery pack to 80 percent within 20 minutes, while the onboard charger takes 6.5 hours to full charge.



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Larger Maeda crawler crane

Maeda has unveiled its largest mini crawler crane to date - the 8.1 tonne CC1908. The new crane has a five section 19.4 metre boom with maximum tip height of 21.5 metres and a maximum radius of 19.2 metres.

It can also pick & carry up to 3.5 tonnes. The crane weighs 19.4 tonnes with optional jib, has an overall width of 2.49 metres with short tailswing. Other features include a fully enclosed air conditioned cab with link slide door, a 10 inch touchscreen display, surround view camera and monitor, extra wide skylight with standard sun shade and visor and is powered by a Yanmar EU Stage V and EPA Final Tier 4 diesel with hydrostatic transmission.

The new Maeda CC1908



Utility Equipment in liquidation

UK-based aerial lift distributor Utility Equipment has entered the liquidation process following its increasing insolvency. The company was established by Scott McCall in 2013 and has been battling with payments since last year.

It has distributed products from a number of manufacturers over the past few years including ATN, France Elévateur and Oil&Steel. The company said it had gone through very challenging times financially, because of late or non-payment from some of its customers.

Strong start for Liebherr's new 650t

Liebherr unveiled its new eight axle 650 tonne LTM 1650-8.1 All Terrain crane at Bauma, selling more than 60 units during the week, with one of the first ordered by UK rental company NMT. Around 10 of the 60 units were ordered by UK crane rental companies. The Bauma crane now travels to the UK for Vertical Days on May 15 and 16 at Donington Park.

The LTM 1650 is available with either a 54 or 80 metre main boom, with up to 90 metres of luffing jib. The load charts are said to match most 700 tonne All Terrain cranes.



Tim Ambridge of NMT (centre) places one of the first orders for the new 650t Liebherr with Steve Elliot (R) of Liebherr GB and Michael Heckenberger of Liebherr



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Liebherr sales top €10bn

Liebherr reported record 2018 revenues exceeding €10 billion for the first time in its history, although pre-tax profits declined 9.5 percent to €514 million due to an increase in 'non-operating expenses' and higher finance charges. The Ethingen mobile crane achieved sales 9.3 percent higher at €2.24 billion with substantially higher sales of All Terrain cranes offset by lower sales of crawler cranes.



Terex - no more cranes

Terex released its first quarter results without reporting its Cranes business. Group revenues - now just Genie and Material Processing - were six percent higher at \$1.4 billion on a like for like basis. Pre-tax profits declined nine percent to \$75.2 million. It expects full year revenues of \$4.7 billion.



Higher revenues and lower losses for HSS

Full year revenues at HSS in the UK were five percent higher at £352.5 million, while revenues for its ongoing operations - minus UK Platforms which was acquired by Loxam in January - were £322.8 million, up 6.2 percent on the year. Pre-tax losses improved from £85.2 million to £4.5 million.



Challenging quarter for Genie

First quarter sales at Terex AWP/Genie declined one percent to \$727.9 million due to a slow start to the year, exasperated by the closure of its Redmond plant due to extreme weather. The backlog increased 25 percent to \$1.1 billion, while operating profits slipped 15 percent to \$59.6 million due to the production disruptions.



Another strong quarter for JLG

JLG reported strong second quarter sales with revenues up 6.4 percent at \$987.6 million. Platform sales declined five percent to \$463.5 million after a spike last year. Telehandler sales increased 36 percent to \$319.5 million, while other revenues were flat at \$204.6 million. Operating profits improved 22.7 percent to \$119.8 million. First half sales were up 16 percent to \$1.81 billion and six month operating profits improved 68 percent to \$186.2 million.



Record first quarter for Palfinger

Palfinger's first quarter revenues increased 11.8 percent to €440.9 million thanks to higher sales of cranes and platforms, while the marine division continued its recent decline. Pre-tax profits jumped 29 percent to €41.1 million, leaving the company on target for another record year.



Weak start for Ramirent

First quarter revenues at Ramirent fell 2.7 percent to €163 million due to a 15 percent drop in Sweden, the company's largest market. Pre-tax profits declined more than 20 percent to €14.88 million due to lower profit levels in all markets except Norway.



Strong quarter for H&E

US-based H&E Equipment saw first quarter revenues rise 20.4 percent to \$313.6 million with improvements in all areas. The rental operation - now more than half the business - saw revenue increase 29 percent. Pre-tax profits jumped 48 percent to \$19.35 million.



Strong sales growth at Manitou

Manitou reported a substantial jump in first quarter revenues in both Europe and the Americas, with total revenues 22 percent higher at €562 million - a new record. Profitability is reported later.



Higher sales lower profits for Hiab

Hiab's first quarter sales increased 14 percent to €316 million, with an 11 percent increase in order intake leaving the backlog four percent higher at €483 million. Operating profit was seven percent lower at €33.4 million due mainly to manufacturing supply chain issues.



Higher revenues, lower profits at United

First quarter revenues at United Rentals improved 22 percent to \$2.12 billion, with much of the growth coming from acquisitions, pre-tax profits however fell almost 14 percent to \$220 million.



10 year high for Haulotte

First quarter sales for Haulotte increased 17 percent to €163.2 million, its highest quarterly revenues in 10 years. New equipment sales increased 19 percent, Parts and Service four percent and rental revenues 10 percent. European and North American revenues were both 20 percent higher. Profit numbers to be posted later.



Record year for Wacker Neuson

Wacker Neuson has reported another record year with total revenues of €1.7 billion, growth occurred across all regions with Europe - its largest market by far - rising almost 11 percent to €1.25 billion. Pre-tax profits, without exceptional gains were 18 percent higher at €148.2 million.



Ramirent acquires Rocla's Finnish modular rental

Ramirent is to acquire the modular cabin rental business of forklift and logistics equipment manufacturer and rental company Rocla Finland, which also offers aerial lift rentals, but plans to focus on its core material handling business.



Riwal acquires Lipac

Riwal has acquired Swedish aerial and telehandler rental company Lipac from owner Per Hedebark. Based in Stockholm, Lipac operates from five locations across central Sweden, with a fleet of around 1,000 machines, including scissors, boom lifts, truck mounts and telehandlers.

Marmon acquires Joyce Crane rental

Chicago's Marmon Crane Services has acquired Joyce Crane rental of Longview, Texas from owner Joe Bob Joyce. Joyce Crane operates from locations in Longview, Texas, Bosier City and West Monroe in Louisiana and Little Rock, Arkansas.

Higher sales lower profits at Cramo

Cramo has reported first quarter sales up 14.4 percent to €200.6 million, of which non cabin rental was €147.9 million, up 3.2 percent on the year. Pre-tax profit dropped 25 percent to €13.8 million.



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- **Skyjack** has appointed **Jim Waldron** product safety manager and **Carsten Sacher** sales director, Northern Europe.
- Hong Kong's **Shing Fung** has ordered an **Easy Lift R420HY** spider lift.
- **Haulotte UK** has moved into new premises in Wolverhampton.
- Aerial lift pioneer and designer **Raymond Smith** has passed away at 95.
- **Wagenborg Nedlift** has taken a 500t **Demag AC500-8** and the first AC160-5 in the Netherlands.
- **Riwal** has launched an augmented reality feature for its Rental App.
- **Tianqi Lithium Kwinana** has ordered the first 45t **Liebherr LRS 545** Reachstacker in Australia.
- **Wacker Neuson** has appointed **Christian Stryffeler** as managing director of **Kramer**.
- **Niftylift** has won two more **Queen's Awards for Enterprise**.
- **Point of Rental** is expanding in Africa with the appointment of **Kelly Hoffman**.
- **Ruthmann** has appointed **Cairo Engineering Equipment** as distributor for Egypt.
- Germany's **Breithaupt & Philipp** has taken a 60t **Demag AC 60-3**.
- **Straightpoint** has appointed **Dutest** as its dealer in the UAE.
- Australian rental company **AB Crane Hire** has taken a 60t **Tadano ATF 60G-3**.
- **Eddie Brown**, senior manager for cranes at **Tarmac** in the 1970s and 80s has died.
- Germany's **Rothlehner** has delivered it's 3,000th **Haulotte** aerial work platform.
- UK-based **Lifting Gear Hire** has acquired the **Straightpoint** rental fleet.
- US distributor **Walter Payton** has moved to new facilities in Lebanon, Indiana.
- **Niftylift** won the HAE Supplier of the Year and Best use of New Media awards.
- **Cramo** has appointed **Sohana Josefsson** SVP, marketing and communications.
- UK's **Lee Lifting Services** has taken a **Liebherr MK 140** mobile tower crane.
- **Palfinger UK** has appointed **Alan Johnson** as director, while **Mark Rigby** retires.
- Sweden's **Lambertsson Kran** has taken a **Potain MDT 809** flat top tower crane.
- **Chandrakant Sanghvi** CEO of India's **Sanghvi Movers** has died at 65.
- UK's **Sech** has taken the first 300t **Kobelco CKE3000G** crawler crane in Europe.
- France's **SMIE** has appointed **Nick Palfrey** as chief marketing officer.
- China's **Shaanxi Shuntong Equipment Rental** has taken 32ft **Skyjack** scissor lifts.
- Swiss contractor **Christen** has taken a 230t **Liebherr LTM 1230-5.1**.
- **Ramirent** is to acquire Swedish/Norwegian rental company **Stavdal**.
- **Manitou** launched a 60ft electric boom lift the 200 **ATJ E**.
- **JLG** parent **Oshkosh** has appointed **John Pfeifer** as COO.
- UK contractor **Severfield** issued a safety notice for 13mm **Force** lifting chains.
- US rental company **Trand** has taken a 750t **Liebherr LG 1750**.
- **MEC** has appointed **Pat Schmetzer** as director, product training & risk management.
- **Elliott** has launched the 19m **V60** truck mounted platform.
- **Versalift** has launched the all electric 12 metre **VTL 120** van mounted platform.



Carsten Sacher



Christian Stryffeler



Kelly Hoffman



Eddie Brown



Chandrakant Sanghvi



Nick Palfrey



John Pfeifer



Pat Schmetzer

- **Manitex** has appointed **Randy Wingenroth** as SVP PM articulated cranes.
- US-based **Empire Crane Company** has taken a 90t **Terex RT 100US**.
- UK contractor **Baylor** has taken a 45t **Grove RT550E**.
- UK's **Media Access Solutions (MAS)** has taken 10 **JLG** booms and scissors.
- **CTE** has appointed **Giovanni Carbonara** as product manager **Tracess** spider lifts.
- **CMC** has launched a new 28 metre **S28** spider lift.
- Turkish manufacturer **Hidrokon** has established a UK operation appointing **Barry Chester** as sales and operations manager.
- **Snorkel/Ahern** will open a company store in Spain - **Ahern Iberica**.
- **Manitowoc UK** has appointed **Wybe Smit** as regional sales manager **Potain** tower cranes.
- **Haulotte** has laid the foundation stone of its new head office building.
- Isle of Man's **Mann Crane Hire** has taken a 60t **Tadano ATF 60G-3**.
- US-based **CWI Crane & Rigging** has taken a 250t **Demag AC 250-5**.
- **Cramo** VPs **Peter Bäckström** and **Mattias Rådström** have left the company.
- **Alimak** has acquired **Dataline i Borås** which manufactures hoist control systems.
- **GSR** has launched the **B220PXE 22m** truck mounted platform.
- **Snorkel UK** has appointed **Jon Plaskitt** area sales manager and **Neil Brown** as service team manager.
- UK's **M&M Mobile Crane Hire** has taken a 90t **Liebherr LTM 1090-4.2**.
- **Terex Cranes** has launched the **CTT 202-10** flat top tower crane.
- UK's **J&M Crane & Transport** has taken a 70t **Tadano ATF 70G-4**.
- **Ramirent's** interim CFO **Jonas Söderkvist** is leaving the company.
- UK's **Quick Reach** has received a £4.5 million investment from **Mercia** and opened in Birmingham.
- UK's **Bryn Thomas Cranes** has taken two **Liebherr All Terrain** cranes.
- **CTE** has appointed **Tim Hunt** as export area manager.
- **Tadano** has launched the 13.6t **GR-150XL-3** Rough Terrain crane.
- Middle East-based **Byrne Equipment Rental** has taken 166 **Genie** platforms.
- Ireland's **Blulift** has taken five **Snorkel** aerial lifts.
- Australia's **Kennards Hire** has appointed **Martin McManus** as general manager IT.
- **Haulotte** has opened a wholly owned subsidiary in Japan - **Haulotte Japan**.
- Germany's **Schweri Autokranbetriebe** has taken a 70t **Tadano HK 70** truck crane.
- **Leavitt Cranes** has been appointed **Potain** self-erecting tower crane dealer for Washington and Oregon.
- **Ronan MacLennan** and **Erik de Bruijn** of **GMG Europe** have moved to sales and technical roles at **LGMG**.
- US-based **CraneWorks** has taken the country's first **Demag AC 45 City**.



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- **TPA** has appointed **Simon O'Regan** as UK sales manager.
- UK ladder and tower manufacturer **Lyte Industries** has been acquired by **Breal Capital**.
- **JCB** is to invest £65 million in a new facility in Vadodara, India
- UAE developer **Arada** has taken eight new **Raimondi** tower cranes.
- UK's **Emley Crane Hire** has taken two **Liebherr All Terrain** cranes.
- **Jekko** has appointed **Fassi Schweiz** as its Swiss dealer.
- US **CK Crane Service** has taken a 100t **Demag AC 100-4L**.
- **Comet** has appointed **Antonio Palazzetti** as area sales manager.
- **XCMG** has appointed **Cranes For You** as Benelux distributor.
- **Pure Lifting** has acquired gantry crane manufacturer **Reid Lifting**.
- Access industry veteran **Ron Jackson** has passed away.
- **Time/Versalift** is dropping the **Time** branding. **Genie** has launched a 46ft **GS-4655** slab electric scissor lift.
- **Liebherr USA** has appointed **Reese Barnes** as sales manager used cranes.
- **Palazzani** has launched the 37m **XJT 37+** spider lift/crane.
- Finnish utility **Tampereen Vera** has taken two 14m **GSR E140TJV** van mounts.
- UK's **Bennetts Crane** purchased two of the three **Raimondi** cranes at Bauma.
- **Mammoet Middle East** has appointed **Enrico Luconi Trombacchi** and **Vimal Jose** to its UAE branch.
- Ohio's **Franklin Equipment** has promoted **Tony Repeta** to chief operating officer.
- Scotland's **Horizon Reinforcing & Crane Hire** has taken two **Liebherr All Terrain** cranes.
- **Ainscough** has appointed **Jeremy Fry** as CEO and **Sat Dhaiwal** as non executive director.
- **CMC** has appointed **Alessandro Mastrogiacomo** as export sales director.
- **Cela** has appointed **Alfa Access Services** as UK distributor.
- **TVH UK** is building a brand new UK parts warehouse in Kidderminster.
- Switzerland's **Interkran** has taken a 300t **Demag AC 300-6**.
- UK's **Southern Crane & Access** has taken a 130t **Liebherr LTM 1130-5.1**.
- **Versalift** has appointed **Martin Sloth** as international sales manager.
- **LGMG North America** received a legal challenge from **JLG** for copyright infringement.
- **BG Lift** has appointed **Alfa Access Services** as its UK distributor and service partner.
- Singapore's **Crane World Asia** has ordered 15 **Terex CTT 541-24** flat top tower cranes.
- France's **SMIE** and **Smart Jobsite** are to merge. **Ashtead** has appointed **Lindsley Ruth** as a non executive director.
- Imer has appointed **NEG Services** and **Special Access Engineering** in the UK.
- The UK association **HAE** is splitting into a membership association and a **SafeHire** certification business.
- Germany's **Mietservice Süß** has taken two **Hematec 12m Helix 1205** mast booms.
- **CTE UK** has appointed **Russell Woodward** as sales manager and **Elena Gkomesi** for product support.



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