

# Gardemann name to go in merger

TVH has announced plans for merging Mateco and Gardemann, after purchasing the business from Loxam following its successful acquisition of Lavendon earlier this year. Mateco chief executive Armin Rappen is responsible for integrating the Gardemann acquisition and has confirmed that the two companies will be merged under the Mateco name "in order to preserve the long-term experience of both companies."



The plan is to have changes completed for the start of 2018. The combined entity will have 60 locations - 30 of them Mateco depots - and 10,000 platforms. The company has said that it plans to retain most, if not all jobs as it focuses on "healthy growth rather than shrinking health."

# New products from Platformers Days

As we go to press our editorial team is in Germany at Platformers Days where a number of new products were unveiled including a 2.5 tonne crane from BG mounted on a 3.5 tonne chassis.

The T250 has a nine metre, four section main boom and optional three section telescopic luffing jib for a tip height of 16.5 metres at which it can handle 600kg or 150kg at 12.5 metres radius. Other products include the Verda 12, a new 34ft crawler mounted telescopic boom lift from Custers, the Airo A16EW, a 46ft slab electric scissor lift, a new 20 metre telescopic Oil & Steel Scorpion 2013 truck mounted lift with an overall length of just over six metres and a new short wheelbase 37 metre addition to Palfinger's Premium truck mounted lift range, the P 370 KS. More on these and other new products in the next two issues.



Custers Verda 12



BG T250



Airo X16EW



# Two new cranes from Tadano

Tadano has launched two new cranes - the international version of its 110 tonne GR-1200XL/GR-1100EX Rough Terrain crane and the 32 tonne Tadano Mantis GTC 300 telescopic crawler crane, its smallest GTC to date.

The GR-1200XL/GR-1100EX is dimensionally similar to the 90 tonne GR1000XL, but has a longer 56 metre main boom plus a 10.1 to 17.7 metre bi-fold swingaway extension with up to 45 degrees of offset. Maximum tip height is 76 metres and maximum radius on main boom 44 metres - 47 metres with the extension. The crane also incorporates Tadano's new 'Smart Chart System' that optimises the load chart depending on the actual outrigger and superstructure position.

The GTC 300 has a 27 metre, three-section full power boom designed and built by Tadano Japan for heavy-duty crawler crane applications such as foundation, pick & carry and grab work. It is topped with a 7.1 to 12.7 metre bi-fold swingaway extension that offsets at 5, 25, or 45 degrees and provides a maximum tip height of 41.1 metres. The load chart is good for pick & carry through 360 degrees and the level ground charts are good for up to 1.5 degrees. Load charts are also programmed for slopes up to four degrees on main boom or 2.5 degrees when lifting with the extension.

The new crane is also equipped with Tadano's Opti-Width track extension system providing load charts for any track width, whether symmetrical or asymmetrical from a fully retracted 3.3 metres to a fully extended 4.8 metres. Overall height of the crane can be reduced to just 2.42 metres and overall weight is 32,440kg.



The Tadano GR1100EX - GR1200EX in USA - has a 56 metre main boom.

The Tadano-Mantis GTC 300.

# United takes Neff

United Rentals swept in with a counter bid for Neff Equipment last month, topping the previously accepted offer from H&E Equipment by \$4 a share with a \$25 bid - roughly \$1.3 billion. United has also paid H&E the \$13.2 million break fee due from Neff.

Neff is expected to add around \$419 million of annual revenues and be cash positive for United from the start. The company hopes to make at least £35 million of savings within two years, \$25 million from corporate overheads. Neff operates from 69 locations with 1,170 employees.

## New booms and scissors from Sinoboom

Chinese manufacturer Sinoboom will launch three new products over the next few months including a mast boom, scissor lift and articulated boom lift. The GTZ10EJ 10 metre mast boom is the company's first and adopts a classic design with box section mast, fixed length jib with 3.3 metres of outreach and 345 degrees of slew. The new machine will incorporate integral fork lift pockets and lifting lugs on top of the chassis and active pothole protection.



The 46ft Sinoboom GTJZ1412

The new compact slab electric scissor lift - the 46ft GTJZ1412 - will offer a 16 metre working height within the regular 1.2 metre wide by 2.4 metre long product sector. Sinoboom has not yet released a detailed specification but claims that battery life will be 20 percent better than regular machines with improved gradeability, suggesting direct electric drive.

The third new machine is a 52ft battery electric boom lift, the GTZZ16EJ, which updates an existing model with 9.37 metres of outreach, a working height of 17.8 metres and a platform capacity of 230kg. Gradeability is 40 percent and it is expected to have an overall width of 1.9 metres. This unit includes on-board diagnostics and improved electrics, and interestingly carbon fibre reinforced covers. The units are due for launch in Shanghai at the end October.



Sinoboom's first mast boom lift the 10 metre GTZ10EJ



The upgraded 52ft Sinoboom GTZZ16EJ.

## Brazilian acquisition for Hiab

Hiab is to acquire the privately owned Brazilian loader crane manufacturer Argos Guindastes Indústria e Comércio. Argos was established from scratch on a 'greenfield site' in 2002.

It operates from a single manufacturing facility in Santo Antonio da Patrulha and has built up an extensive distribution network across Brazil and South America. Total revenues last year were just under €10 million. No details of the transaction have been revealed, but Hiab will take on around 60 Argos employees as part of the deal.

## Weyers leaves Manitowoc

Larry Weyers executive vice president at Manitowoc with responsibility for the Potain tower crane business has resigned and left the company. Weyers joined Manitowoc in 1998, when the company only produced crawler cranes.

Since then he has served in a variety of roles and was heavily involved in the integration of Potain when it was acquired by Manitowoc in 2001. In January 2015 he became president of Manitowoc Cranes taking over from Eric Echart. However this position was eliminated when the Manitowoc group split into separately quoted crane and food service companies and Barry Pennypacker was appointed chief executive of the crane company in late 2015.

In April last year the Grove and Manitowoc products were placed into a new mobile crane division under Aaron Ravenscroft while Weyers headed the Potain tower crane business, however going forward both will be managed by Ravenscroft who moves to Dardilly, France.



Larry Weyers



Aaron Ravenscroft

## Two new telescopics from GSR

Italian truck mounted lift manufacturer GSR has launched two new 3.5 tonne B series telescopics - the 18 metre B180T and 20 metre B200T - joining the existing 23 metre B230T to complete the B series range.

Features include electronic joystick controls, internal hoses and wiring and higher platform capacities - 300kg on the 180T and 250kg on the 200T - than the more basic E series. Both models are mounted on standard 3.5 tonne Nissan, Mercedes Sprinter or Iveco chassis. Rear outriggers are fixed inboard, while the front beam and jack outriggers are angled forwards, with variable extension, including down only. Maximum outreach on the 180T is 12.8 metres and 13.2 metres on the 200T, both with 80kg on the platform. Other features include variable outrigger set-up, automatic outrigger levelling and boom home function.



GSR's new B200T and B180T



The Argos manufacturing plant in Santo Antonio da Patrulha, Brazil

# Climbing wind turbine crane from Lagerwey

Dutch wind turbine manufacturer Lagerwey has been testing its new climbing wind turbine erection crane. The crane - which can operate in wind speeds of up to 15 metres a second - comprises a heavy-duty climbing base, turntable and boom. It is fully self-contained with its own integral power pack, arrives on site on three standard trucks and can be fully rigged and ready to work in about half a day.

The turbine construction begins with a relatively small All Terrain installing the first ring/base of the modular tower made up of steel segments which bolt together. The All Terrain then installs the climbing crane's base onto the tower base section followed by the hydraulic luffing boom and it's ready to start work.

The climbing crane installs the next few tower rings, before using its climbing cylinders to raise itself to the top of the new level before clamping in place on the tower connection bands. The process is repeated to the tower's full height. The crane then installs the nacelle/generator and blades before climbing back down for removal. The crane can also be used for maintenance.

The new crane has been developed by Henk Lagerweij. "Wind turbines are getting bigger, heavier and taller. On the one hand, this enables us to create more energy with fewer wind turbines, but it also means the cost of building taller masts is constantly rising. The cranes capable of building them are scarce and expensive, but also take up a great deal of space on the erection site or require

vegetation to be removed. This gave me the idea for a crane, which 'climbs' together with the mast while constructing it."

The company built the first prototype earlier this year and has now started tests on a real tower. If all goes well it will fully erect its first turbine in Eemshaven on the northern tip of the Netherlands.



The Lagerwey climbing crane

# New Bailey glass robot

US lifting equipment manufacturer Bailey Cranes has unveiled a new crane-based glass lifting machine, the Brandon Mini. The battery powered machine weighs 900kg and has a capacity to lift glass panels weighing up to 340kg to a height of just under three metres. It also comes with a hook attachment with a capacity of just over 450kg.

Bailey's new Brandon Mini glass lifter.



# Liebherr boosts 750 tonne lattice booms

Liebherr has increased the length and capacity on the SX boom systems for the 750 tonne LR 1750/2 crawler and LG 1750 lattice boomed truck crane.

The SX system - with its 3.5 metre wide lattice boom sections - can be extended and strengthened with the new SX2 and SX3 kits which comprise two or three 14 metre long by six metre wide sections fitted directly to the boom base or butt section. Liebherr says that this improves long boom capacities by up to 30 percent, sufficient to install wind turbine



Hüffermann's LR 1750/2 working on a wind turbine



components weighing up to 127 tonnes to a height of 166 metres. The six metre wide SX sections fold down to an overall width of 3.5 metres for transport.

German crane rental company Hüffermann Krandienst has taken delivery of one of the first LR 1750/2 crawler cranes with the SX2 system. Its inaugural lifts were carried out at Siggelkow Wind Farm in Mecklenburg Western Pomerania, northern Germany where it erected three Enercon type E-101 wind turbines with a hub height of 135 metres.

Hüffermann's LR 1750/2 has been fitted with the SX2 boom system.

# Arcomet goes bigger

Belgian tower crane specialist Arcomet has unveiled the new A50 Eco, its largest self-erecting crane to date. The crane has a 50 metre jib, seven different hook heights up to 36 metres and a maximum capacity of 8,000kg.

The company claims it can work on 32, 40 or 63 amp power supplies and the design features new running gear which will be added on the rest of the Arcomet crane range over the next few years.

In a separate move, Arcomet has also merged its Belgian used crane sales division with that of its affiliated French company Matebat. Gerd Vandecruys will head up the new group as sales director used cranes.

Arcomet's new crane has 8,000kg capacity, a 50 metre jib and maximum 36 metre hook height.



# Wolffkran replaces 6015

Wolffkran is replacing its Wolff 6015 Clear flat top tower crane launched in 2008 with the 6020 Clear. The extensive upgrade includes the latest Wolff technology together with more reach and capacity. Available in two versions - the six tonne maximum capacity 6020.6 Clear and the eight tonne 6020.8 Clear - there are three different towers for each model - the narrow UV 15 (1.5 metre square) tower system or two metre wide TFS 20 and UV 20.

The 6020.6 boasts a two tonne jib tip capacity, while the 6020.8 offers 1.8 tonnes compared to 1.5 tonnes on both of their predecessors. The base configuration no longer includes counterweights or jib extension sections, the lower jib chord connections have also been redesigned to improve the transfer of forces and allow for smaller bolts and all feature more galvanised parts, including guard rails, platforms, covers and bolts.



*The new Wolff 6020 Clear has choice of three towers with 1.5 and 2.0 metre square outside dimensions*

## New location and crane for NMT

UK rental company NMT Crane Hire has moved into its new £2 million headquarters in Kempston, Bedford - a short distance from its original premises at Marston Moretaine - and taken delivery of a 500 tonne eight-axle Liebherr LTM 1500-8.1 All Terrain crane which features a seven section, 84 metre main boom plus Y Guy superlift system.

The new premises include the second longest inspection pit in the country and a rolling road brake tester for axle loads of up to 20 tonnes. It adds to the company's other locations in Bedford, Heathrow and Birmingham.



*The new 500 tonne crane at the new location*

## Interlift and FLG to merge

UK rental group A-Plant is merging its Interlift lifting gear business - which it acquired from the Hewden administrators around eight months ago - into its FLG lifting gear division.

The combined business will trade as FLG Services and be one of the largest lifting gear and safety equipment providers in the UK, with 24 service centres offering both sales and rental.



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# New Comansa CM luffer

Linden Comansa's Chinese operation Comansa CM has launched a new 12 tonne luffing jib crane - the CML165 - for the Asian, Middle East and South American markets, joining the 12 to 18 tonne CML190 launched last October.

The CML165 has a maximum jib length of 50 metre with a tip capacity of 2,300kg to a free-standing height of 56.6 metres. The new crane features a short counter jib at 6.5 metres long, and an out-of-service radius of 19 to 22 metres depending on jib length, making it ideal for space restricted sites. The company is planning another luffer launch later this year.



*The CML165 has a counter jib of just 6.5 metres*

# A-Plant spends big

UK rental company A-Plant has taken delivery of 800 boom and scissor lifts in a deal worth £14 million and has also ordered 600 JCB telehandlers, part of a 1,200 machine deal with JCB worth more than £55 million. The new booms include platforms from JLG, Skyjack and Niftylift.



*Some of A-Plant's new aerial lifts*

# OSHA delays crane operator certification - again...

US safety agency OSHA has delayed the implementation of mandatory crane operator certification until late next year.

The agency has published a proposed amendment that includes a delay until November 17, 2018 and addresses the previous requirement for operators to be certified by both crane type and capacity, even though the original crane rule drafttees had intended it to be by type only. The amendment also attempts to address competency in addition to simple certification.

The mandatory crane operator certification plan dates back to 2010 when OSHA introduced its Final Rule regulating cranes used in the construction industry - 'Cranes and Derricks in Construction'. Having now published the amendment there is not enough time to solicit public comment and finalise a new rule by November, hence the additional one year delay. It is now accepting public comments until September 29th.





Coppard Plant's new Unic URW-706-2 spider crane

## First Unic URW-706-2 in the UK

UK rental company Coppard Plant Hire has taken delivery of the first six tonne, second generation Unic URW-706-2 spider crane to arrive in Europe. The company also purchased a regular URW-706.

The new crane is based on the standard 706 but features a new hydraulic searcher hook and two section telescopic luffing jib that can offset to 60 degrees with a maximum tip height of 26.5 metres and three metres more working radius. The crane is also equipped with a remote controller.

## ALE acquires Conbit

Heavy lift and transport company ALE has purchased Dutch offshore engineering and lifting contractor Conbit.

Based in the Eindhoven University of Technology compound, Conbit was established as a local engineering company in 1993, and provides a full service engineering, procurement, construction, installation and maintenance service for load handling and lifting projects in the oil, gas and wind power industries worldwide as well as plant decommissioning.



(L-R) Paul Staal of Conbit, Mark Harries of ALE with Dave Montforts and Jeroen Michels of Conbit.

## The world's largest Reachstacker

Danish fork truck and lifting equipment distributor N.C. Nielsen has designed a 152 tonne reachstacker, which the company claims will be the world's largest.

The new model is based on a Konecranes 4545 and will weigh 110 tonnes. Overall stowed length is 15 metres with an overall width of 4.9 metres and a maximum lift height of 15.4 metres. The changes include a stronger boom, more counterweight, larger lift cylinders and a withdrawn chassis to allow the machine to get closer to the load. It is being built at N.C. Nielsen's facility in Balling, northern Denmark and the first model is expected to be ready for delivery by the end of the year. The company has previously built a 100 tonne reachstacker for the wind turbine industry. It is scheduling a short production run of the 152 tonner through 2018.



The 152 tonne Konecranes/ N.C Nielsen reachstacker.

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UK rental company **HSS** reported a 3.4 percent fall in first half revenues to £160.5 million, due to depot closures/increased competition. The company has closed 68 locations in the past nine months with 92 lay-offs. Pre-tax losses for the period were £30.1 million compared to £7.8 million last year.



UK rental company **GAP** has reported record annual revenues of £175 million 11 percent up on the year. 30 percent of revenues came from the specialist divisions including Lifting Equipment and London Tools & Access. Pre-tax profits increased 8 percent to £17.1 million.

**Herc Rentals** - previously Hertz Equipment - reported a 7.5 percent rise in first half revenues to \$805.2 million but higher pre-tax losses of \$104.1 million. Second quarter, revenues increased seven percent to \$415.8 million while pre-tax losses were \$49.8 million from \$2.7 million last year.



Australia's **Coates Hire** has reported full year revenues up five percent to A\$918 million (\$732 million) with an operating profit of A\$31.7 million (\$2.3 million) compared to last year's loss of A\$17.8 million (\$14.2 million). The company's owners Seven and Carlyle are also said to be considering selling the business.

**Manitowoc** reported first half revenues down 20 percent to \$700 million, with a pre-tax loss of \$31.5 million. In the second quarter sales were 14 percent lower at \$394.6 million and a pre-tax profit of \$3 million.



**Snorkel** saw first half revenues rise 13 percent to \$79.7 million, with an operating profit \$1.5 million compared to a loss of \$1.4 million last year. Second quarter sales improved 20 percent to \$44.9 million with an operating profit of \$1.1 million.

**Tat Hong** has reported first quarter revenues one percent higher at \$118.3 million (\$86.6 million) thanks to improvements in tower crane and general equipment rental and distribution sales.

First half revenues at the rental division of Brazil's **Mills** fell 30 percent to R83.1 million (\$26.6 million), with pre-tax losses of R26.5 million (\$8.5 million) compared to a profit of R4.7 million (\$1.5 million). Second quarter revenues fell 22 percent to R42.3 million (\$13.5 million) with a loss of R13.4 million (\$4.3 million).

First half revenues for **Wacker Neuson** were up nine percent at €763.7 million, with pre-tax profits of €53.9 million up 14 percent. Second quarter sales were 11 percent higher at €425.2 million and pre-tax profits 29 percent higher at €40.8 million.



**Manitex** reported first half revenues 13 percent lower at \$91.4 million, with a pre-tax loss of \$4.8 million. Second quarter sales were 6.5 percent higher at \$51.9 million, with a pre-tax loss of 1.39 million compared to a \$4.5 million profit last year.

**Skyjack** saw first half sales increase 31 percent to \$648 million with operating profits up 23 percent to \$99.9 million. Second quarter sales were up 24.5 percent to \$361 million and operating profits increased 2.5 percent to \$54.1 million.



First quarter revenues at **Tadano** fell 16.1 percent to ¥35.2 billion (\$319 million). Mobile crane sales slipped 30 percent but loader crane and aerial lift sales increased 7.8 and 7.6 percent respectively. European sales declined 45 percent, North America 13 percent, South and Central America 69 percent and Asian sales 35 percent. Other regions remained stable. Pre-tax profits more than halved to ¥2.7 billion (\$24.9 million)



First half revenues at **Ramirent** were seven percent higher at €338.7 million while pre-tax profits jumped 90 percent to €27.1 million. Second quarter, revenues were 2.8 percent higher at €174.1 million, while pre-tax profits were up 45 percent to €16.1 million.

Nine-month revenues at **JLG** slipped one percent to \$2.19 billion, aerial lifts were five percent higher, but telehandler sales were 23 percent lower at \$457.8 million. Operating profits fell 10 percent to \$196.7 million. Third quarter sales were three percent higher at \$980.2 million with aerial lifts up 14 percent and telehandler sales down 24 percent. Operating profit increased 6.5 percent to \$130.2 million.



First half revenues for **Terex Cranes** fell 15 percent to \$568 million, with a loss of \$18.3 million compared to \$29.4 million. Second quarter revenues were \$303.8 million down 15 percent, but operating profits were \$14.5 million compared to last year's loss of \$12.8 million.

First half sales for **Genie** were three percent higher at \$1.07 billion, but profits slipped 25 percent to \$82.5 million. Second quarter sales were flat at \$593 million while operating profits were 16 percent lower at \$60.8 million.



**H&E Equipment** reported six-month revenues down 2.5 percent at \$476.2 million, pre-tax profits improved nine percent to \$24.2 million. Second quarter revenues were three percent higher at \$249.4 million and pre-tax profits 25 percent higher at \$15.7 million.

**Manitou** reported first half revenues up 17 percent at €805 million, pre-tax profits were 29 percent higher at €45 million. In the second quarter revenues improved 13 percent to €425 million with pre-tax profits up 30 percent to €30 million.



First half sales at **Palfinger** increased 13 percent to €753.8 million, while pre-tax profits improved one percent to €59.9 million. Second quarter sales were €391.9 million up 13 percent, while pre-tax profits fell five percent to €30.3 million.

**Cramo** first half revenues improved two percent to €340.9 million, but pre-tax profits jumped 26 percent to €39.7 million. Second quarter revenues were flat at €178 million, but pre-tax profits improved five percent to €23.8 million.



**United Rentals** saw first half revenues improve eight percent to \$2.95 billion with pre-tax profits up seven percent to \$390 million. Second quarter revenues improved 12 percent to \$1.6 billion, with pre-tax profits just six percent higher at \$229 million.

First half revenues at **Hiab** were four percent higher at €552 million, while operating profits increased 14 percent to €836 million. Second quarter revenues were flat at €282 million, with operating profits increased seven percent to €44 million.



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The first Maeda MC815C for Lift mini cranes

## First Maeda MC815C

UK rental company Lift mini cranes has taken delivery of one of the first Maeda MC815C spider cranes to arrive in Europe.

The new MC815C has a five section 19.4 metre pentagonal main boom topped by a optional two section hydraulic luffing telescopic jib, taking the maximum tip height to 27 metres. The crane offers a pick & carry capacity of up to one tonne and features include auto-levelling set-up, automatic boom stowage, a new multi-function touchscreen monitor, two speed winch, Technos 2 radio telematics, data logger and EU stage 3B compliant engine.

## New 37m Palfinger KS

Palfinger Platforms unveiled the 37 metre P 370 KS, truck mounted lift earlier this month, topping its Premium Class range.

The P 370 KS offers an outreach of up to 31.5 metres, yet is relatively compact with an overall length of 8.35 metres, thanks in part to the company's unique KS counter slewing system. Maximum platform capacity is a healthy 500kg and features include fully automatic set-up and levelling, with an inboard jacking position for single lane working. More details next month.



The new Palfinger P370 KS

## Hiab extends continuous slew

Hiab is adding 360 degree continuous slewing on its 30 to 40 tonne/metre range of loader cranes. Continuous slewing was previously only available on Hiab cranes over 50 tonne/metres.

The change adds the feature to the 33 tonne/metre X-HiPro 358, 36 tonne/metre X-CLX 398, 38 tonne/metre X-HiPro 408 and 39 tonne/metre X-HiPro 418.



Hiab continuous slew

## Snorkel ATB60/AB60J safety bulletin

Snorkel has issued a safety-related technical bulletin for all 60ft ATB60 and AB60J articulated boom lift models manufactured from 1990 to the current day.

The bulletin requires the inspection of the lower lift cylinder pin for corrosion, cracks or abnormal wear and requires a mandatory inspection and replacement of the pin if it has been in service for eight years or more. Snorkel is recommending that pins should be inspected every 90 days or 150 hours whichever comes first.



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- **Co.MeT** has appointed **Stephan Wijkmans** area sales manager for Benelux, Germany, Austria and Asia, and **Tobia Cariolato** as service manager.
 

**Tobia Cariolato**

**Stephan Wijkmans**
- **Ruthmann** has appointed **Statech** as distributor in the Czech Republic and Slovakia.
- UK's **Anglia Access** has taken 30 **Haulotte** scissor lifts.
- **Eline Oudenbroek** has stepped down as managing director of **Holland Lift**.
- UK-based **JMS Plant Hire** has taken a 60ft **MEC Titan Boom 60-S**.
- Mumbai International Airport has taken a 29m **CTE ZED 29J** truck mounted platform.
- **AFI** has ordered 500 platforms worth £7 million.
- **BMS platforms** has appointed **Tom Wilson** in the UK.
 

**Tom Wilson**
- Germany's **GVW** has taken a 22.6m **Oil & Steel Scorpion 2313** truck mounted platform.
- **PASMA** has appointed **John Darby** as head of technical support.
 

**John Darby**
- UK's **Ashbrook Plant & Access Hire** has taken 14 **Genie** booms.
- **Potain** has appointed **Mutlicrane Perkasa** as distributor for Indonesia.
- Italy's **Tecno-Gru** has taken a **Terex RT 90** Rough Terrain crane.
- **Snorkel** has appointed **Gantic** as service partner for Norway.
- UK loader crane industry veteran, **Bryan Flintham** has died.
 

**Bryan Flintham**
- **Kranlyft UK** sales director **Alan Peck** has left the company to set up **Böcker UK**.
- US-based **CIC** has introduced a tower crane operator certification programme.
- **Almac** has appointed **Ommelift** as distributor in Germany and Austria.
- **ALE** has signed an agreement with China's **Cosco**.
- Scotland's **Global Port Services** has taken a 500t **Liebherr LTM 1500-8.1**.
- **Safway Atlantic** has acquired New York hoist/scaffold company **All-Safe**.
- **DSM Dyneema** has appointed **Olivier Janin** as VP sales & marketing.
 

**Olivier Janin**
- **Suzhou Mall**, China has purchased a 52m **TCA Falcon FS520C**.
- UK's **Crane and Support Services** has taken a 13t **Kato CR-130Ri**.
- **Atlas** has appointed **M. Bar Maintenance** as crane distributor for Israel.
- UK's **Lifterz** has promoted **Chris Firth** to business development director.
 

**Chris Firth**
- **CTE** has appointed **France Elevateur** as distributor for Germany and Austria.
- Germany's **Rieckermann & Sohn** has taken 11 **JLG** booms and scissors.
- **Terex Cranes** has appointed **Farhat Service Center** as distributor for Lebanon.
- Germany's **ESB Kranverleih** has taken a 70t **Liebherr LTM 1070-4.2** All Terrain crane.
- The **02 Arena** in London has purchased a 135ft **Genie Z-135/70** boom.
- **GMG** has appointed **Ronan MacLennan** as central European sales manager.
 

**Ronan MacLennan**
- Dutch company **Kloosterboer** has taken a **Liebherr LHM 550** crane and **LRS 545** reachstacker.

- **Cramo** sold its rental businesses in Latvia and Kaliningrad to **Storent**.
- Germany's **Castell** has taken a 25m **Ruthmann TBR 250** truck mounted platform.
- Ex-**Terex Crane** president **Ken Lousberg** has joined bicycle manufacturer **Sram** as COO.
 

**Ken Lousberg**
- France's **SVMM** has taken a 160t **Demag AC 160-5** All Terrain crane.
- German steel erector **Pril** has taken 10 **Genie Z-45/25J** RT booms.
- UK's **Elavation** has purchased two 39ft **Snorkel S3970BE** scissor lifts.
- **Terex** has appointed **Andra Rush** as a non-executive director.
 

**Andra Rush**
- Germany's **System Lift** members ordered 27 **Palfinger P250 BK** truck mounted lifts.
- The Festival Waterfront Centre in Dubai has taken a 33m **TCA Falcon FS330Z** spider lift.
- **Simian Skill** and **NTI** opened a scaffold training centre in Oman.
- **Hiab** has acquired **Walker & Company Hydraulic Services** in the UK and appointed **Ian Mitchell** as UK & Ireland director.
 

**Ian Mitchell**
- **Raymondi** has appointed **HLD** as its New Zealand agent.
- Turkish rental company **Fatih Vinç** has taken 35 **Snorkel** scissors and booms.
- **Rob Wallis** - founder of Australia's **National Hire Group** and the **HRIA** - has died.
 

**Rob Wallis**
- Northern Ireland's **HP Hire** has taken a 63ft **Nifty HR21D 4x4** boom lift.
- Germany's **Steil Kranarbeiten** has ordered a **Demag AC 1000-9** All Terrain crane.
- **Richards CCTV UK** has purchased two **Versalift ET136-F (E6)** van mounted platforms.
- Germany's **Scholpp Kran & Transport** has taken a 220t **Demag AC 220-5** crane.
- **Hiab** has promoted **Hans Ekman** to vice president, forestry & recycling cranes.
- **Venpa Sud** has taken Italy's first 150ft **JLG 1500AJP**.
- UK-based **United Powered Access** has expanded its fleet.
- Russia's **Vertex** has taken its first **JLG** boom lifts in a 58 unit order.
- UK-based **Quick Reach** has added **Airo** push around lifts to its fleet.
- **Hatz Diesel** has appointed **Bernhard Richter-Schützeneder** director sales & marketing.
 

**Bernhard Richter-Schützeneder**
- Bolivia's **Avicola Sofia** has taken the first four **Snorkel** scissor lifts in Bolivia.
- UK-based **Planet Platforms** celebrated its 40th anniversary.
- South Africa's **Eazi Access** has ordered 178 **JLG** platforms in a \$9 million deal.
- UK's **JMS Plant Hire** has ordered 46 **Skyjack** boom and scissor lifts.
- **David Webb** of **Falcon Cranes** has died following the tower crane collapse in Crewe, UK.
 

**David Webb**
- **Shing Fung Engineering & Equipment** has launched **Tadano** truck mounts in Hong Kong.

- Germany's **Wemo-Tec** has taken nine new **Genie** hybrid lifts.
- **Liebherr Australia** has taken over its maritime cranes distribution in Australia, New Zealand.
- **Genie** has named **Dave Hubbell** VP national accounts.
 

**Dave Hubbell**
- UK's **NMT Crane Hire** has taken a **Liebherr LTM 1500-8.1**.
- **Camso** has acquired **Omni Industrial Tire** in Texas.
- California's **Bragg Crane Service** has ordered eight 100t **Link-Belt** cranes.
- Bolivia's **Alanoca** has taken the first 400t **Grove GMK6400** in Bolivia.
- UK's **J&M Crane & Transport** has taken a 35t **Kato CR-350Ri** City crane.
- Germany's **Bayernlift** has added new premises and expanded its fleet.
- UK rental company **Quick Reach** has opened a branch in Doncaster.
- France's **Jagulak Sens Levage** has taken a 250t **Demag AC 250-5** All Terrain crane.
- UK-based **Banner Plant** has taken four **Snorkel** scissor lifts.
- Ex-**Terex Cranes** president **Kevin Bradley** has joined **US Steel** as CFO.
 

**Kevin Bradley**
- UK's **Ashbrook Plant Hire** has added its 100th platform, a **Skyjack 9250**.
- **Tadano** has appointed **Flaherty Equipment** for RT/AT cranes in Boston.
- **Manitex** has expanded its US dealer network for PM loader cranes.
- **Atlas** has appointed **Esa Puustinen** as crane distributor for Finland.
- Germany's **Dangel Bau** has taken a **TCA FS320Z** spider lift and a **PB S151-19EHT** scissor lift.
- **Almac** has appointed **Malcolm Kitt** as UK sales manager.
 

**Malcolm Kitt**
- Northern Ireland's **Baloo Hire** has taken two 135ft **JLG 1350AJP** boom lifts.
- Switzerland's **VHB** has taken a **Liebherr MK 140** mobile self-erecting tower crane.
- **Mammoet** has opened two new locations in the Gulf.
- US-based **Auburn Crane & Rigging** has taken a 250t **Demag AC 250-5**.
- Sweden's **Swelift** has taken a 65m **Ruthmann T650 HF** truck mounted platform.
- US-based **BlueLine Rentals** has acquired Virginia's **Capital Rentals**.
- **Konecranes** has appointed **Johan Bjerstedt** as sales manager Liftace reach stackers.
 

**Johan Bjerstedt**
- **Klubb** has appointed **CharterLift** as its German distributor.
- US-based **IMT** has added to its sales team.
- **Hawks Crane Hire** has taken the UK's first 250t **Kobelco CKE2500G-2** crawler crane.
- Germany's **Wasel** has taken a 750t **Liebherr LR 1750/2** crawler crane.
- **Ashtead/Sunbelt** has acquired Ontario's **CRS Contractors Rental Supply**.

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