

The new 185ft Snorkel 2100SJ



Snorkel mega boom stars at Conexpo

Everywhere you turned on the Snorkel stand there was another new model. Star of the show was the all-new, 210ft 2100SJ 'mega boom'. Not only is it the world's largest self-propelled lift but it incorporates several truly innovative, patent pending features. The basic specs are impressive - 65.8 metres working height topping JLG's 185ft 1850SJ by a whopping 7.5 metres, a 30.4 metre outreach and an enormous working envelope, thanks to a 9.1 metre telescopic jib with 128 degrees of articulation.

While the heavy duty chassis looks similar to the X-type chassis on other large booms the axles are driven out or in while the lift is static, rather than being pushed out. Although heavy at 36.3 tonnes, the 2100SJ is manoeuvrable and includes a fifth 'lateral' steering mode where all wheels turn 90 degrees allowing the platform to move sideways. The unrestricted platform capacity is 300 kg, while the maximum capacity is 454kg and applies when the telescopic jib is retracted. Orders for three units were booked at the show, the first from Canadian company Mortier en Trémie ABL, while Hire Safe Solutions ordered the first two units outside of North America.

Snorkel mega scissors

Snorkel also launched a 70ft heavy duty scissor lift - the S9070RT-HC - the first in a family of four new high capacity large deck scissor lifts with platform capacities of up to 1,814kg. The S9070RT-HC offers a working height of 23.3 metres a platform capacity of 907kg and standard powered dual deck extensions for an extended platform area of 18.7 square metres.

For more information on these and other new Snorkel launches see the Conexpo show review starting on page 39.

Snorkel has unveiled a range of heavy duty, high capacity scissor lifts.



Business not as usual

The Covid-19 outbreak has caused massive disruption to the global economy and our industry. Cranes & Access, Kran & Bühne and Vertikal.Net will continue as normal, bringing information and news during these challenging times. Regular news updates on how manufacturers are manging the situation will be posted on www.vertikal.net and in the next issue of Cranes & Access.

Manitowoc launches 150t crawler

Manitowoc has launched the 150 tonne MLC150-1 lattice boom crawler crane with a 78 metre boom topped by 24 metre fixed jib with a capacity of 27 tonnes.

Alternatively a 52 metre luffing jib can be specified with a capacity of 46 tonnes. The new model is said to be faster and easier to rig, the boom butt section has a sheave for self-assembly and a button style rope termination, while the gantry is used to lift and install the counterweight. The boom base tip and sections have all been designed to stow together in a manner that reduces space for transport.

The Manitowoc MLC150-1



Liebherr's new 120 tonne AT

Liebherr unveiled its new 120 tonne, four axle LTM 1120-4.1 All Terrain crane at Conexpo boasting that its seven section 66 metre main boom is the longest of any four axle mobile crane.

It can handle a nine tonne load on the fully extended boom or 12.1 tonnes on a 60 metre boom - some 18 percent better than the manufacturer's 100 tonne LTM 1100-4.1. Maximum tip height is almost 95 metres. Axle loadings range from 12 tonnes with 2.5 tonnes of counterweight to the maximum of 16.5 tonnes with 20 tonnes of counterweight on board. Total with VarioBallast is 31 tonnes. Overall travel width is just over 2.5 metres, with an overall length of less than 14.9 metres. Maximum outrigger spread is just over seven metres. Deliveries will begin late in the third quarter.



Liebherr's new LTM1120-4.1

Ruthmann acquires ReachMaster

Ruthmann has acquired US equipment distributor ReachMaster from owner Ebbe Christensen in an all share buyout. The company will operate as Ruthmann ReachMaster North America.

The ReachMaster business will be merged with Florida based Ruthmann North America, with Christensen heading the merged company. The new company will operate from ReachMaster's new facility in the Porter suburb of Houston. ReachMaster distributes Falcon and Bluelift spider lifts, Ruthmann truck mounted platforms, Almac self-levelling scissors and booms and Galizia pick & carry cranes.

The Ruthmann ReachMaster North America sales team (L-R) Tony Trainer and Tom McKendree of Reachmaster with Richard Carr and Tom Goyer of Ruthmann and leader Ebbe Christensen.



JLG launches Self Levelling boom lift

JLG showed and demonstrated a pre-production version of the 67ft 670SJ Self Levelling telescopic boom lift at Conexpo. The new machine follows five years of development following the unveiling of a scale model at Bauma 2016, and a full size 46ft concept machine at Conexpo 2017. The machine's four wheels are mounted on four 'floating' arms or legs, each equipped with a long stroke hydraulic cylinder.

The machine essentially has three modes. With the boom retracted and horizontal it can travel like a regular boom with oscillating axle. In the case that it stops on uneven or sloping ground, the tilt sensor records



The JLG 670SJ Self Levelling

the out of level condition and prevents the boom from being elevated above horizontal. On the 670SJ however, the boom comes to a stop just above horizontal while the machine automatically levels up on inclines of up to 10 degrees. Once the superstructure is level the boom can be elevated as if on level ground. In this configuration the machine will also operate in dynamic auto-levelling mode, allowing the operator to drive the machine at height with the chassis constantly adjusting to the changing ground conditions, maintaining a level platform. Finally, once the machine is loaded on a trailer the operator can press the travel mode button which lowers the chassis to a point where the base is just over 12mm above the deck for a lower load height and centre of gravity.



JLG 670SJ Self Levelling axles

As to the general performance of the 670SJ Self Levelling, it has an unrestricted platform capacity of 250kg with up to 17.4 metres of outreach and a maximum capacity of 340kg. Four wheel drive is standard, gradeability is 45 percent. First shipments are expected later this year.

...And a 23 metre fixed frame telehandler.

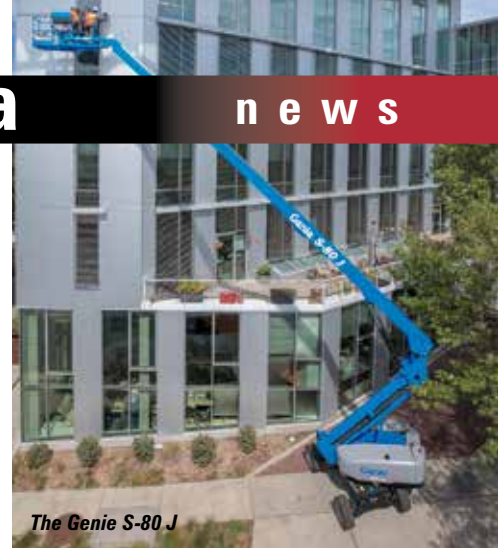
JLG also unveiled a 23 metre, 4,500kg North American fixed frame telehandler - the 1075 - with 18.3 metres of forward reach. JLG's Longitudinal Stability Indication (LSI) is standard, along with a two-way right side view camera system. Options include a wide range of attachments and remote controls allowing the operator to operate the machine from above.



The JLG 23m/4.5t 1075

New Genie J booms

Genie has launched a new 'J' range of telescopic boom lifts with jibs - the 60ft S-60 J and the 80ft S-80 J also available in a Trax crawler chassis. The new S-60 J features a similar rising linkage as Genie's XC telescopic booms up to 80ft, with a two section boom topped by a 1.8 metre articulated jib offering an unrestricted platform capacity of 300kg and up to 12.3 metres of outreach. Total weight is just 7,550kg compared to the heavy duty S-65XC which weighs 11,400kg. Ground clearance on the new machine is a decent 564mm. Power comes from a 24hp Kubota Tier 4F/Stage V diesel driving all four wheels, with Genie's active oscillating axles.



The Genie S-80 J

The new 80ft S-80 J is essentially a larger version of the S-60 J with up to 16.8 metres of outreach and an unrestricted platform capacity of 300kg. It includes a 1.8 metre jib and weighs just 10.4 tonnes including four wheel drive and oscillating axles. It can also be equipped with Genie's four track TraX crawler package.

Dingli lithium 4x4 boom lift range

Dingli has unveiled a new 86ft articulated all electric EAB28ERT boom lift - the first in a seven model electric boom lift range which will include articulated models up to 92ft and telescopic up to 80ft. Maximum platform capacity is 454kg with an unrestricted platform capacity of 230kg. Outreach of 19.1 metres at an up and over height of just over nine metres. Based on the company's regular Italian designed diesel boom lifts the new model shares most of the componentry, maintaining the same four wheel drive, four wheel steer telehandler drive line with full differential locking. However, in place of a diesel engine is an 80 Volt/520Ah high capacity lithium battery pack feeding a large AC electric motor.



The all electric Dingli EAB28ERT

World's highest reach telehandler

Magni has unveiled its record-breaking 51 metre RTH 6.51 360 degree telehandler beating its previous highest - the RTH 6.46 - by six metres. The two machines look similar but the 6.51 features a seven section telescopic boom and sophisticated working envelope and overload management system.

The 51m Magni RTH6.51



Pettibone unveils new Traverse telehandler

US telehandler manufacturer Pettibone has launched the 5.4 tonne/14.6 metre Traverse T1246X telehandler. Weighing 13.5 tonnes, or 14.2 tonnes with optional outriggers - the T1246X can take five tonnes to its maximum lift height and handle 340kg at its maximum forward reach of 10.9 metres. It joins two other X models - the four tonne/13.5 metre T944X and the 5.4 tonne/17.8 metre T1258X.

The T1246X features a 'traversing boom carriage' which can move the entire boom forward and backwards along the telehandler's chassis to provide up to 1.77 metres of additional reach forward reach. Pettibone is the only telehandler manufacturer still offering this feature, which the company claims improves safety and efficiencies by reducing the need to reposition the telehandler or to use multiple boom functions to ensure a load remains at the same height.

Powered by a Tier IV diesel, the T1246X has an overall width of 2.6 metres, is seven metres long to the fork frame, has a ground clearance of 480mm and has a turning radius of 4.3 metres.

The T1246X features a traversing boom carriage which provides up to 1.77 metre reach.



120 ton Grove GRT

Grove has launched the latest model in its GRT range of Rough Terrain cranes - the 120 ton/108.8 tonne GRT8120. It features a seven section 60 metre main boom, the longest on an RT of this size, topping Tadano's equivalent model by four metres and some models by almost 10 metres. A choice of manual or hydraulic offset extensions take the maximum tip height to almost 81 metres.

Based largely on the 100 ton GRT8100, the GRT8120 features the company's MAXbase variable outrigger set up and CCS Crane Control System systems, along with a new wider cab with 20 degrees of tilt. Product manager John Bair said: "Many of our customers wanted to fill a void in the 120 ton class, and increase their crane utilisation with easier transport, greater reach and capacity. We were able to accomplish this through an all new carrier design along with several other new features debuting on this crane. The boom length its strong load charts put this crane at the top of its class."

The Grove GRT8120 with 60 metre boom.



Vertikal Days 2020

Earlier this month the organisers of Vertikal Days confirmed that holding the event on May 13th was no longer an option due to the rapidly developing Covid-19 crisis, and it has postponed the event until later in the year. September was already well endowed with crane and access events, with JDL in France, Platformers Days in Germany and the rescheduled Spanish exhibition Smopyc. Add to this APEX which has postponed the event to the same dates as JDL and exhibitors are facing a challenging month.

The Vertikal Days' organisers have taken the decision to avoid any clash with those events and have reserved two dates, one in late September and one in early October and has decided to hold off fixing the final date until the situation becomes a little clearer and after a more in depth consultation with exhibitors and regular visitors.



400t hydraulic gantry from Enerpac

Heavy lifting and jacking specialist Enerpac has launched the 400 tonne SL400N hydraulic gantry crane designed for confined spaces. The new crane uses self-contained telescopic cylinders to lift loads up to a height of 7.7 metres on 600mm self-propelled rollers. Features include integral hydraulic pumps, wireless remote controls and the company's Drive System which allows for synchronised and continuous movement on the narrow tracks.

Technology product line director, Pete Crisci, said: "The SL400N's design is based on the significant growth in industrial markets and the need for greater lifting capacities in tighter spaces where moving to a wider track to achieve a higher lifting capacity is not an ideal solution. The new crane provides improved lift capacities over existing narrow track gantry cranes and is an ideal replacement for traditional cranes that are too big or too expensive for the job."

Enerpac's new 400 tonne SL400N hydraulic gantry crane.



Haulotte 46ft telescopic boom

Haulotte has launched the 46ft HT16 RTJ Pro telescopic boom lift with dual platform capacity, four wheel drive and steer with all the company's latest technology. Designed and built at the company's plant in Ohio, the HT16 RTJ Pro has a two section boom topped by a 1.8 metre jib with 133 degrees of articulation. It has a working height of 16.1 metres and an outreach of up to 13 metres with 250kg unrestricted platform capacity. Maximum capacity is 350kg available at an outreach of 11.6 metres or a height of 12.5 metres. Power comes from a Stage V Kubota, with no particulate filter and Haulotte's Stop Emission system that cuts the engine when no functions are selected.

The lift is 2.29 metres wide and 2.27 metres high, although this increases to just over three metres when the platform is tucked under to reduce the transport length to 6.68 metres. Overall weight is 7,930kg. Standard features include an oscillating axle, 360 degree continuous slew, Haulotte's Activ' Shield bar, anti-entrapment system, Activ' Lighting System, Activ' Screen on-board diagnostics, limited slip differential with operator controlled lock, a Universal telematic plug, solid Rough Terrain tyres and rotating beacon.



The new Haulotte HT16 RTJ Pro or HT46 RTJ Pro as it is in the USA

Compact loader crane from IMT

US loader crane manufacturer/distributor Iowa Mold Tooling (IMT) has introduced a new 2.72 tonne 6000 telescopic loader crane mounted on a Dominator I service body.

The compact crane can handle 2.49 tonnes at a height of 7.3 metres or 770kg at a radius of 6.4 metres. The company says the new crane is up to 30 percent lighter than previous models while the upgraded Dominator body offers payload capacities of up to 450kg.



IMT's new 2.72 tonne 6000 telescopic loader crane and is up to 30% lighter than previous models

New Jekko mini crane

Jekko has unveiled the new 600kg MPK06 battery powered mini pick & carry crane/glass handler aimed at material handling work in building yards. The crane has a 2.8 metre, three section boom, for a maximum tip height of 3.5 metres and a maximum radius of 1.7 metres. It features a dual operating mode with either a hook or a vacuum manipulator, has up 10 degrees of slew either side of centre and 360 degrees continuous manipulator rotation.

Maximum capacity is available at a radius of 500mm and it can take 300kg to 1.7 metres. The vacuum manipulator capacities range from 150 to 600kg. The MPK06 has an overall width of 835mm, or just 760mm with indoor wheels, outboard stabilisers are also available. Overall weight is 990kg but is fitted with 270kg of removable counterweights. The crane is pedestrian controlled through the onboard drawbar, while a wired remote controller is also available.

Standard controls are on a drawbar.



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Comet Street Lighter

Comet has launched the 14 metre Comet Street Lighter X14 truck mounted platform designed specifically for street lighting installation and maintenance work.

Mounted on a 3.5 tonne Iveco chassis and featuring a sideways stowed X-platform it leaves the rest of the chassis free for a large storage compartment with a 400kg payload. Maximum outreach is 6.2 metres while the platform capacity is 150kg. Additional features include outriggers that can be set within the overall width of the vehicle, full hydraulic controls, front railed working/storage area and the ability to tow a trailer of up to 3,500kg.



The Street Lighter X14 has been designed specifically for street light installation and maintenance work

Two new Palfinger TEC cranes

Palfinger is to launch two new loader cranes in the 50-60 tonne/metre market sector - the 53.1 tonne/metre PK 55.002 TEC 5 and 55.5 tonne/metre PK 58.002 TEC 7.

Maximum capacity on the PK 55 is 19 tonnes and 20 tonnes on the PK 58. Both cranes can take a one tonne load to a height of more than 20 metres and both offer a maximum tip height of up to 37 metres when equipped with the full polygon profile P-jib and extensions. Maximum radius is 33.7 metres. Mechanical extensions can be fitted to both the jib and the boom and integrated into the overload protection system.



The new Palfinger PK 58.002 TEC 7

New 23m telescopic from Multitel

Multitel Pagliero is to launch the 23 metre, 300kg capacity MTE 230 mounted on 3.5 tonne Mercedes, Iveco or Isuzu chassis.

Outriggers can be set within the width of the vehicle or extended on one or both sides with live monitoring by Multitel's MUSA (Multitel-Self-Adapting outreach) system which adapts the work envelope to match the actual outrigger footprint set. The platform capacity with retracted outriggers is 100kg with up to 16 metres of outreach over the rear or nine metres over the side. With extended outriggers the outreach to the side is almost 14 metres.



The MTE 230 offers up to 14 metres over the side reach



The new Multitel MTE 230 on Mercedes.



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The new 34ft MEC telescopic

MEC Aerial Work Platforms has launched the new low weight 34ft 34-J telescopic boom lift, which uses a two section boom topped by a jib with 135 degrees of articulation, providing unrestricted platform capacity of 227kg.

Maximum outreach is eight metres. Weighing 3,630kg, the 34-J is 2.33 metres wide, just over six metres long and 2.4 metres high. Four wheel drive and an oscillating axle are standard, while power comes from a Kubota Tier 4 Final diesel. The full size platform is 1.83 metres wide and a metre deep with three entrance gates and three fully proportional joystick controllers.



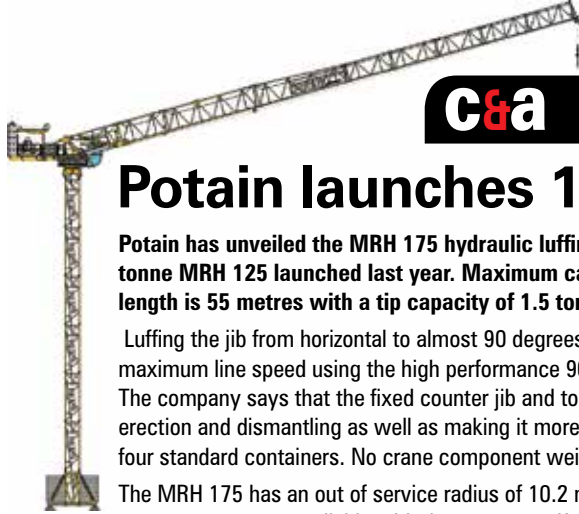
The new MEC 34-J

Potain launches 10 tonne luffer

Potain has unveiled the MRH 175 hydraulic luffing jib tower crane, joining the eight tonne MRH 125 launched last year. Maximum capacity is 10 tonnes and maximum jib length is 55 metres with a tip capacity of 1.5 tonnes or 2.7 tonnes with a 50 metre jib.

Luffing the jib from horizontal to almost 90 degrees takes less than two minutes while maximum line speed using the high performance 90HPL25 hoist is 215 metres a minute. The company says that the fixed counter jib and topless structure design helps speed up erection and dismantling as well as making it more compact for transport, requiring just four standard containers. No crane component weighs more than 7.7 tonnes.

The MRH 175 has an out of service radius of 10.2 metres and freestanding heights of up to 62.8 metres are available with the two metre K type tower sections. The crane is also compatible with the 1.6 metre K tower.



50 tonne 'Lifting Tray'

Lifting Gear UK has launched a 50 tonne 'Lifting Tray' to safely lift and lower large equipment that is not equipped with lifting points. The tray measures 7.2 metres long by 2.75 metres wide and incorporates four lifting beams/arms that extend from 2.7 to 3.7 metres in order to cater for larger equipment. They fully retract for easier transport while total weight of the tray is just under six tonnes.



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Financials round-up

26% jump for Loxam



French international rental group Loxam has reported total revenues for 2019 of €1.87 billion, up 26 percent on the year mostly thanks the Ramirent acquisition which boosted international revenues 59 percent to €947.2 million. On a like for like basis the increase would have been 1.9 percent. Pre-tax profit dropped 26 percent to €81.3 million. Gross capital expenditure for the year came in at €383 million, down almost 7.5 percent on 2018.

Boels to raise €1.6 billion to fund Cramo deal



Dutch international rental group Boels has launched a €1.61 billion covenanted term loan to finance the acquisition of Cramo and refinance the combined business' debt. The €1.611 billion senior secured term loan B matures in February 2027, while a €200 million senior secured Revolving Credit Facility will fall due in August 2026.

Solid year for H&E



US-based H&E Equipment Services has reported a strong rental performance for 2019, while new equipment sales slipped back. Total revenues for the year increased 8.8 percent to \$1.35 billion, driven by a 17 percent increase in rental revenues, offset by a nine percent fall in new equipment sales, while used equipment sales were more than 11 percent higher. Pre-tax profits for the year were \$115.9 million, an increase of 10.5 percent on 2018.

Palfinger continues to post records



Crane and work platform manufacturer Palfinger has reported record revenues for 2019 of €1.75 billion, up 8.6 percent, thanks to higher sales in Europe, North America, Russia and China. Pre-tax profits for the company were almost 20 percent higher at €133.1 million. Net debt increased slightly to €525.6 million.

Terex dips



Terex which includes Genie and Terex Cranes reported full year revenues almost four percent lower at \$4.35 billion, while pre-tax profits came in 13.5 percent lower at \$247.5 million.

Genie/Terex Utilities posted sales for the full 12 months of \$2.73 billion, down 7.5 percent on 2018, principally due to a slower fourth quarter, while operating profits were 36 percent lower at \$196.2 million. The backlog/order book at the end of December was \$753 million, 13 percent below where it was at the same point last year.

The Terex Cranes business was reported within Other Revenues, which were almost five percent higher for the year at \$255.1 million, while the operating loss on this part of the business was reduced from \$64 million to \$58 million. Since then the crane business has been absorbed into the group's Material Processing division.

Haulotte profits dip



Haulotte posted full year revenues for 2019 of €610.8 million, an eight percent improvement on 2018 driven by higher sales of new machines. Net profit for the period however dropped 18 percent on the year to €19.5 million, due to a slowdown in second half sales, and higher average component costs combined with additional costs involved with the roll out of its new 'Let's dare together' strategic plan.



Higher sales lower profit for Wacker Neuson



Telehandler and compact equipment manufacturer Wacker Neuson has reported full year revenues of €1.9 billion, an increase of 11 percent on last year. Pre-tax profit for the year declined more than 32 percent to €137.5 million, but last year's numbers included a one-off gain of €54.8 million on the sale of a property business. Without that, the decline was just under six percent, this due to higher sales, service and general administrative costs, partly offset by lower interest costs.

Another strong quarter for Ashtead



UK/International rental group Ashtead has posted its nine month results to the end of January with group revenues up 13 percent to £3.9 billion. Pre-tax profits were six percent higher at £885 million. Capital investment declined three percent to £1.26 billion, while the company spent £491 million on 'bolt-on' acquisitions.

Sunbelt USA achieved revenues of \$4.28 billion - up 14 percent - while operating profits were 11 percent higher at \$1.34 billion.

Sunbelt Canada achieved sales of \$320.8 million, an increase of 25 percent, half of which was due to acquisitions. Operating profits improved more than 21 percent to \$57.6 million.



A-Plant revenues were one percent higher at £365.1 million, while operating profits slumped 31 percent to £37.8 million. In May the company will drop the A-Plant name and will rebrand as Sunbelt UK.

Disappointing last report from Cramo



Full year revenues were three percent lower at €612.6 million, while pre-tax profits plummeted 38 percent to €48.8 million. The company also cut capital expenditure by 42 percent to €83.3 million.

BrandSafway adds to UK hoist business

US-based group BrandSafway has acquired the hoist related assets of UK-based Benchmark Scaffolding. The business assets will be incorporated into the group's Taylor's Hoists division.



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Red diesel ban postponed

Following the announcement that the UK government was considering removing the availability of lower taxed 'rebated' red diesel, the UK's Construction Plant-Hire Association - the CPA - which represents crane rental companies wrote to the chancellor urging him to reconsider these plans.

Red diesel is currently used in most off road vehicles including some specialist equipment including cranes and large truck mounted lifts as well as agricultural equipment such as tractors and combine harvesters. However it now appears that any new restrictions on the use of red diesel or the policy in general will be delayed by a year to allow time for companies to adapt, while the policy will also be subject to consultation over the summer months to hear representations from industry groups and associations.



New APEX dates confirmed

The organisers of aerial work platform exhibition APEX in Maastricht, the Netherlands, have confirmed that the show has been postponed until the 8th to the 10th of September, the same dates as the JDL crane and access exhibition in France.



APEX will still be held at the MECC venue in Maastricht and the European Rental Association has confirmed that it will postpone its annual convention to run alongside the show, as will the International Rental Exhibition.



IPAF Summit rescheduled

Next month's IPAF Summit and awards dinner has been rescheduled to the 8th October, due to the current issues with the ongoing Covid-19 virus. The rescheduled event will be held at the same venue, the Millennium Gloucester Hotel in Kensington, London. All bookings for the event will be honoured for the new date and it should be possible to change any hotel reservations already made to the new date without a penalty.

IPAF chief executive Peter Douglas said: "The annual IPAF Summit & IAPAs is a highlight of the worldwide powered access events calendar and we sincerely hope that those planning to attend will be able to rearrange their plans in order to join us on the new date of 8th October. There may inevitably be some amendments to the speaker programme and/or site visits, and these will be communicated once they are confirmed."

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- **Bronto Skylift** has appointed **Prioritet** as firefighting distributor in Russia.
- **PB Liftechnik** has appointed **George Hanna** as sales representative Central Germany.
- Germany's **Elektrik Vacha** has taken a **CTE Zed 20 HV**.
- UK's **Ellis Crane Hire** has taken a **Klaas K1003RSX** truck crane.
- **Alessandro Fagioli**, president of **Fagioli** has died.
- **Maxim Crane Works** has taken the first **Grove GMK5250XL-1** in N. America.
- **Alimak** has appointed **Ole Kristian Jødahl** as chief executive.
- **Tanzania Ports Authority** has ordered six **Kalmar** rubber tyred gantry cranes.
- UK's **Star Platforms** has added more **Niftylift** electric hybrid lifts.
- **Antonio Agosta** founder and MD of Italian manufacturer **Svelt** has died.
- UK's **Skylift Platforms** has taken a 48m **Palfinger P480 NX**.
- **US Crane & Rigging** has ordered seven **Liebherr** cranes.
- **Horst Felbermayr** Snr owner of Austria's **Felbermayr** group has died.
- **US Advantage Rental** has taken 20, 19ft **Hy-Brid PS-1930** scissor lifts.
- Switzerland's **Clausen Kran** has taken a second 60t **Liebherr LTR 1060**.
- Germany's **Auto-Klug** has taken a **Demag AC 45 City** crane.
- **Speedy** has promoted **Andy Briggs** to MD of its powered access business.
- **Crane Korea Co** has taken the 600th 500t **Liebherr LTM 1500-8.1**.
- UK's **Crane Hire Solutions** has taken a 20t **Kato CR-200Rf City**.
- US' **SKV Crane & Rigging** has taken an 800t **Liebherr LR 1800-1.0**.
- **MCS** has appointed **Celia Horstmann** as manager for Germany, Austria and Switzerland, while **Imre Kovats** joins the marketing team and **Annette Born** the implementation team.
- Belgium's **Goeysvaerts** has ordered its 20th **Konecranes Gottwald** harbour crane.
- **Cranes, Inc** has taken the first 110t **Liebherr LTM 1110-5.1** in the USA.
- **Genie** has appointed **Anders Svensson** as sales manager Sweden and Norway.
- Sweden's **Kranpunkten** has ordered 20 Euro 6 **Ruthmann** and **Versalift** platforms.
- Belgium's **Delca Logistics** has ordered a 45t **Kalmar Super Gloria** reachstacker.
- Germany's **Thomas Schopmans** has taken two 20m **CTE B-Lift 20JVH**.
- **Merlo UK** has appointed **Kellands Plant Sales** for south west England.
- **Mobile Mini UK** has appointed **Phil Hughes** as operations director.
- **Nicholas Davin** of Ireland's **Aerial Platform Hire** and past **IPAF** president has died.
- **US Maxim Crane Works** has taken a 650 tonne **Liebherr LTM 1650-8.1** crane.
- **Don Kenny** has replaced **Colin Hotchkiss** as MD of UK's **Nationwide Platforms**.
- France's **VDSTP** has taken four 12.2m R130 **Easy Lift** spider lifts.
- **Argles Metal Design** has taken a 3.2t **Jekko SPX532**.
- **Grupo Vazquez del Sur** has taken the first 75t **Tadano GT-750EL** in Mexico.
- UK's **Ainscough Crane Hire** has taken two **Liebherr MK 140** mobile tower cranes.
- **Uplifter Glassworker** has appointed **Kranlyft** as UK and Scandinavian distributor.
- **A-Plant** has appointed **Andy Wright** as CEO.
- **Load King** has appointed **Terex Services** as its truck crane service provider.
- UK's **Churchill Retirement Living** has taken the first four **Wolffkran 133.8Bs**.



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Don Kenny



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- **Ashtead** is to rebrand **A-plant** as **Sunbelt Rentals**.
- **Ainscough Crane Hire's** chief executive **Jeremy Fry** has resigned.
- UK's **Smart Platform Rental** has added 35 and 38m **Bronto Skylift** truck mounts.
- Japan's **Fujikenki Lease** has taken a 30m hybrid **Easy Lift RA31** spider lift.
- South Africa's **Avka Plant Hire** has ordered eight 60ft **Genie Z-60FE** hybrid booms.
- US port operator **GPA** has purchased two **Konecranes Model 6** harbour cranes.
- **Genie** has appointed **Markus Bandura** sales manager Southern Germany, Austria and Switzerland.
- **John Barton**, founder and co-owner of UK's **Quick Reach**, has died.
- UK's **Paramount** has added a 33m **Falcon FS330Z**.
- **Haulotte Australia** has opened its new HQ in **Dandenong, Victoria**.
- **Tadano** has appointed **Alec Bell** as head of **Tadano & Demag** operations in the UK/Ireland.
- UK's **United Powered Access** has taken three **LGMG SR1623 RT** scissors.
- **Magna Tyres** has appointed **Elie Sleiman** as general manager, Singapore.
- **TAH Access Platforms** has taken the first **CTE 32 JHV** in the UK.
- UK's **AE Engineering** has taken a 90t **Tadano ATF 90-4**.
- **Haulotte** has appointed **Thomas Wegeler** as manager of its German subsidiary.
- Spain's **Elebia** has launched a 100 tonne automatic hook - the **NEO100**.
- Italy's **Savani** has taken a 52m **Palazzani XTJ52+**.
- **Liebherr GB** has appointed **Shola Russell** as tower crane sales and service manager replacing **Jake McCaugherty**.
- Australia's **Qwest Crane Hire** has taken a 300t **Demag AC 300-6**.
- N. Carolina **Port** has taken the first **Liebherr LPS 420** in the US.
- **Sennebogen's** has appointed **Molson** as UK port crane distributor.
- Sweden's **Lambertsson Kran** has taken a **Potain MDT 809**.
- UK-based **Vp** has appointed **David Walkden** as MD **TPA** while **Paul Donovan** moves to **Groundforce**.
- **Skyjack** has opened a new location in **South Korea**.
- **Mateco** has ordered 50 **Ruthmann** truck mounts.
- **Leppo Rents** of Ohio has acquired **Valco Equipment**.
- **Bronto Skylift** has appointed **THT Policka** as firefighting distributor in the **Czech Republic**.
- Germany's **Insoltrade Baumaschinen & Hebebühne** has taken a **Dino 185 XTC II**.
- **Cargotec/Navis** has acquired Australian software company **Biarri Rail**.
- **Dica** has acquired **Linton Rigging Gear Supplies**.
- **Cramo** has appointed **Martin Holmgren** as CEO.
- Belgium's **Heli** has acquired **Robeys-Huet**.
- Finland's **Finnsiirto** has acquired **Simeri**.
- Scotland's **Whyte Crane Hire** is in administration.
- **Cramo** CEO **Leif Gustafsson**, CFO **Aku Rumpunen** M&A manager **Mika Kouhi** have all resigned.
- UK's **Lincs Lifts** has filed for administration. US-based **BigRentz** is to merge with **Lizzy Lift**.
- **Kiloutou France** has acquired **Locamodul**.
- Poland's **Mazur Zurawie** has taken the first **Liebherr** fibre rope tower crane.
- **Tadano Demag** has appointed **Davide Camperi** as Demag business leader in Italy.
- Singapore's **Tiong Woon** has taken a sixth 300t **Grove GMK6300L**.
- Turkey's **ELS Lift** has appointed **Alfa Access Services** as UK dealer.
- UK's **Collett** has taken four 125t **Enerpac JS-125** lifting towers.
- France's **Lepine TP** has taken a 55t **Sennebogen 655 HD** crawler crane.
- **Stadtgrün Bern** has taken the first hybrid **Multitel 160 Alu** in Switzerland.
- **Steiness Liftcenter** has taken the first two lithium **Snorkel Speed Levels**.
- **Broderson** has appointed **Empire Crane** as a distributor.
- **Maxim Crane Works** has appointed **Michael Kneeland** as chairman.
- A survey of the top 200 UK exporters includes **Niftylift** and **Brogan**.
- India's **Assam Bombay Carriers** has taken a 70m **Bronto Skylift S70XDT**.
- **US CraneWorks** has placed a major order for **National Crane** boom trucks.
- **Demag** is equipping its **AC 55-3** and **AC 60-3** cranes with **Flex Base**.
- **Instant UpRight** has appointed **MN-Lifttek** as distributor for Finland.
- **Palfinger Platforms'** has appointed **Michael Gruböck** as MD replacing **Christian Eiring**. UK's **GGR** has appointed **Sat Dhaiwal** as an advisor.
- Germany's **Florian Herbold** has taken a **Grove GMK5150L**.
- **Böcker** has appointed **Jake McCaugherty** as MD **Böcker UK**.
- **Mammoet** has a new **ALE/Mammoet** structure.
- **R. W. Christopher Crane Hire** of Wales has taken two **Liebherr** cranes - an **LTM 1040-2.1** and **LTM 1090-4.2**.
- **Terex Tower and Rough Terrains** have become part of **Terex MPS**.
- **Wacker Neuson** has appointed **Joe Miller** as US sales & marketing VP, replacing **Johannes Schulze Vohren** who retires.
- UK's **JMS** has taken the first two **Hinowa Lightlift 33.17** Performance IIS hybrids.
- Germany's **Steil Kranarbeiten** has taken three 45t **Demag AC 45 City** cranes.
- **Konecranes** has appointed **Carolyn Paulus** as VP industrial equipment.
- **LiuGong** has acquired **Hertz Equipment** rental China.
- **Snorkel** has sued **Instant UpRight** for use of the **UpRight** name.
- **Tadano** has appointed **Christian Schroeder** as sales manager for **Tadano & Demag** in German speaking countries reporting to **Klaus Kröppel** vice president sales for UK, Ireland, Spain, Portugal, Italy, and Scandinavia and German speaking countries. **Christian Kassner** becomes senior manager for the global **Used Cranes** business. A joint customer support organisation will be led by **Manfred Schlumberger**.
- Portugal's **Nors** has acquired Canada's **Strongco**.
- UK's **Skyline Arcomet**, has acquired Scotland's **Highsparks TCS**.
- **Kiloutou Germany** has acquired **Wiesecker Werkzeugvermietung**.



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