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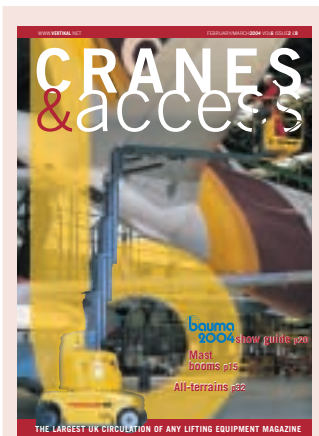
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realised, or have alternatively just woken up from a two-month slumber, is taking place next week.

For this reason, the team at *C&a* has scoured the exhaustive exhibitor listings for what Bauma 2004's organisers predict will be the largest equipment exhibition the world has ever seen, to bring its readers a more refined, but complete none-the-less, guide to all the very latest lifting and access equipment offerings from the world's top producers.

Even if you are not attending the show, the guide offers a useful insight into which sectors manufacturers have been concentrating their efforts, suggesting in which direction they believe various market sectors to be heading. Although there are numerous boom launches expected, the top three access equipment producers will be drawing attention to their ongoing telehandler campaigns, while competition will be hotting-up among the larger crane producers, several of which will be introducing long-boomed 55 tonne all terrain cranes. The mobile tower crane market also receives a significant boost this time around with at least three significant new product introductions.

So whether, you're attending Bauma to spend serious amounts of cash, to quaff the famous Bavarian beer, or simply to boost your cap, umbrella or mouse-mat collection, this phrenetic competition among the manufacturers can only make for a better Bauma. Whatever your reason for attending, don't forget to drop in on the *Vertikal Press* in the outside area, stand number F7 702/6, for a chat and to meet the team and collect your copy of *Vertikal Bauma*. See you there!

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