



## Fork Lift & Shift

THE LIFT & Shift division of HSS says that it is the first UK hirer to offer this new concept Forklift Maintenance Platform. The platform attachment is an articulating platform design with an integrated power supply that can be quickly and easily attached to a forklift without the need for modifications.

The jib can transport two persons up to a height of 5.5 metres above the elevated forks, while integral controls allow an outreach of 3.4 metres.

A removable, key operated control box means that the machine cannot be used by unauthorised personnel when stored. The platform itself has been specifically designed as an attachment for counterbalanced and reach type forklift trucks only with a minimum forklift capacity of 1.5 tonnes. ■



## Chain Gang

BRINDLEY CHAINS has officially launched the Grade 10 Winner Chain Sling programme from Austria-based chain manufacturer pewag onto the UK market. The grade 10 slings offer up to 25 per cent increased strength than traditional grade 8 slings, while various configurations are available with or without in-line shorteners for single or multi-leg chain slings, depending on the users requirements.

A range of new components are also offered to compliment the chain slings including what Brindley claims is the world's first 100 per cent rated grade 10 grab hook, which is also available with a security pin to prevent accidental displacement of the chain. The range of safety locking hooks has also been boosted to include a version with a ball bearing swivel that can rotate under the load. A range of master links and assemblies which include master links to accommodate large crane hooks is also available.

Brindley also says that most of the popular Nicroman grade 8 components have been upgraded to grade 10 and

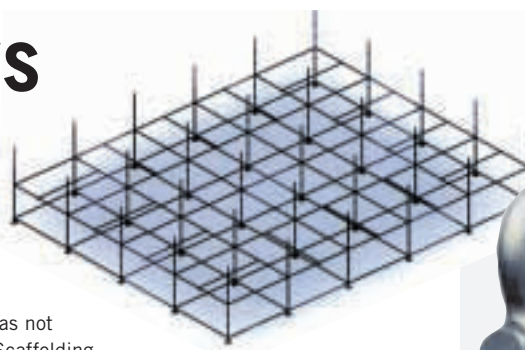
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## SGB plays it safe

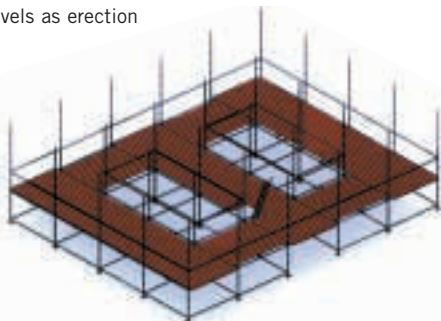
UK scaffolding and access company SGB has developed a new method of erecting birdcage scaffolds following concerns that birdcage scaffolding was not covered in the National Access and Scaffolding Confederation's (NASC) Guidance Note SG4:00 'The Safe Use of Safety Harnesses with the Fall Arrest Equipment whilst erecting, altering and dismantling scaffolding'.

The company says that as a result of the lack of guidance, there are a disproportionate number of accidents on birdcage scaffolding; common poor practise including laying just a few boards randomly on intermediate levels as erection



proceeds – often with those boards overlapping at the ends and unsupported between ledgers, making them bouncy and unsafe. SGB has taken the safe erection principles of SG4:00 and developed them to provide scaffolders with a safe method of erecting bird cage scaffolds.

The method is available in video format, which is divided into three section; The safe erection and dismantling of independent tied



THIS NEW Digi OCS Crane scale, manufactured by Teraoka of Japan, is now available from its UK distributor Marsdens. The remote controlled, compact device has been designed with a heavy duty, alloy aluminium housing and can store up to 200 items of weighing data. A super bright 30 millimetre LED means that the display can be seen from a distance of up to 25 metres, while power comes from a rechargeable 6v/10AH battery or AC/DC adapter with an automatic power off function for battery preservation.

A total of seven versions