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We review the latest developments and products in both lattice and telescopic boom crawler cranes as well as looking at some interesting applications from around the world.



VAN AND SMALL TRUCK MOUNTED PLATFORMS

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We report back from the USA with reviews of the ARA Conference and exhibition in Orlando, Florida and Conexpo 2026 in Las Vegas.

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BRAVI'S DIGITAL TRAINING

Italian low level platform manufacturer Bravi Platforms has launched a 3D digital training video for its 16ft Leonardo HD aerial work platform, with a view to extend the training to the Sprint model later this year.

The video, available in several languages, is in a 3D format and covers the main features, safety procedures, maintenance, diagnostics, and error codes of the platform. Chief executive Pierino Bravi said: "This initiative forms part of our broader strategy to build stronger customer relationships by leveraging digital solutions."



LINDIG TAKES TRAINER OF THE YEAR

German access rental network System Lift has named Lindig Fördertechnik as Training Centre of the Year 2025. Lindig trained 4,037 participants over the past year, running 462 training courses representing 10 percent of all System Card trainees last year. Arbeitsbühnen Hoffmann was in second place, while Liftkontor came third.

(L-R) Adrian Tamm, Heiko Röscher, Sven Lindig and Diana Huschenbett of Lindig Fördertechnik with Malte Bilau of System Lift



PRISON FOR FATAL FALL

Jason Hill, 59, a self-employed builder in the UK, has been jailed for 12 months after an employee, 19, fell to his death on one of his jobs.



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SPEEDY HOSTS 5,000

Speedy Hire has welcomed the 5,000th visitor at its National Innovation Centre in Milton Keynes, UK. The facility - which is also a depot - hosts guided tours focused on the company's sustainability initiatives, energy management systems, building design, and community projects.

The centre has delivered more than 2,400 hours of tours during which visitors are shown technical features such as living walls, biodiversity measures, wellbeing spaces, and installations including the Knife Amnesty turbine and the Scouts DIY wall.



Del Cleveland showing a Scout troop around the facility

MACHINE DROP COSTS £465K

Multi Packaging Solutions UK has been fined £433,333 plus £32,500 victim's surcharge after an employee suffered life changing injuries when a 4.5 tonne machine fell on him at the company's facility in East Kilbride, Glasgow.

Matthew King, 39, was struck on the head while working beneath the suspended machine. He sustained a skull fracture, nerve damage, permanent double vision, loss of peripheral vision, facial palsy and hearing loss. He is now unable to drive and requires ongoing medical and mental health support.

He was part of a team moving the machine which lacked lifting or anchor points, from a warehouse to a storage area 160 metres away. They improvised the lift with a forklift when a telehandler or pick & carry crane would have been more appropriate. The machine had already slid from the forks twice prior to the incident. King was in the process of securing a wheel underneath the suspended machine when it fell.

The HSE found the lift was not properly planned and no safe system of work was in place.



WHO TRAINED THEM THEN?

A reader in Slough, UK spotted a 40 tonne Terex AC 40/2L All Terrain crane lifting beams over a pavement/sidewalk and public road while working on a domestic property. In their words: "The crane set outriggers directly onto the pavement with the only indication of a work zone being a few orange cones - surely, closing the road and pedestrian traffic would have been the safer option?" Thankfully, we have not heard of any incidents.



THREE MILLION PAL CARDS

IPAF has issued its three millionth Powered Access Licence/PAL Card, which is widely recognised as proof of operator training for aerial work platforms and mastclimbers.

IPAF's training programme began in 1993, with the PAL Card introduced in 1998. In its first year, just over 11,000 operators were certified. The programme has expanded steadily, reaching one million cards in 2014, 1.5 million in 2017, and two million by 2020.