

Eazi Sales and Service has added the Power Towers range of low-level access equipment to its extensive line of access equipment brands such as JLG, Magni and Maeda. The deal comes after JLG Industries acquired a 100% shareholding of the UK-based company Power Towers

Genie has designed a consolidated maintenance protocol for customers to complete the programme for any Genie S and Z-boom lift models. Maintenance procedures are reduced, or removed. Previously, Genie offered 24 manuals, which has now been condensed into only one manual.

Caterpillar's new hand and foot Controls will be offered for D Series skid steer, multi terrain and compact tracked loaders. It will be available for the 226D, 232D, 236D, 242D, 246D and 262D skid steer loaders, 257D, 277D and 287D multi-terrain 259D, 279D and 289D compact track loaders.

JCB launched myCHOICE, new software for operators to adjust skid steer travel and loader controls for more precise work. "When customers see controls, they expect to modify them, as one modifies a cell phone to match personal preference. myChoice allows this," says engineer Kenneth Walton.

Bobcat has launched the new MT85 mini-track loader with a rated operating capacity of 385kg, 35% more than its predecessor, the MT55. Lift height is 12% higher and lift arm breakout force is up 29%. A operator presence/safety pedal regulates the auxiliary hydraulic flow for use with attachments. The pedal must be engaged when the operator is using an attachment with detent hydraulic flow.

Keestrack launched its new Giant tracked screen. Weighing 43.5t, it has two screen decks, with a total screening area of 12m² on each deck. Keestrack claims a throughput of up to 600 tonnes per hour for the unit. Power comes from a diesel or electric drive.

JCB launched its new 3CX compact backhoe loader, the smallest in its range. Target markets include gas utilities and municipalities.

The 3CX is said to be 35% smaller than the company's standard 3CX but retains the speed and power of its bigger sibling.



Volvo Construction Equipment has launched its H-series range of wheel loaders comprising the L150H, L180H, L180H HL (high-lift), L220H and L250H models. The range comes with Volvo's OptiShift technology, said to eliminate power losses in the torque converter and reducing fuel consumption by up to 18%. Volvo CE's patented Reverse By Braking technology is ideal for short cycle or truck loading applications – sensing the loader's direction and slowing the machine by applying the service brakes automatically. This increases fuel efficiency, improves operator comfort and increases machine lifetime.



Key specifications

Model	L250H
Engine	DF13 (298kW)
Breakout force	323,4kN
Operating weight	34 – 35,3t
Bucket capacity	5,1 – 10,2m ³



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Model	Cat 428F2
Operating weight	8425kg
Breakout force	60kN
Engine	Cat 3054C
Power	64,9kW

Barlworld Equipment has launched the new Caterpillar F2-Series backhoe loader range. It comprises the 422F2, 428F2, 432F2, 434F2 and 444F2. The cab is said to have been designed with the operator in mind with enhanced visibility to the loader attachment when at full height. Machine-control ergonomics have been improved with a new telescopic/tilt steering column, and the differential-lock control has been repositioned to the loader controller. Pilot-operated machines feature new multi-positional excavator controls that enable operators to adjust to the most comfortable operating position, reducing fatigue.