



Technical Newsletter

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PLASA EXHIBITION

EARLS COURT LONDON, SEPTEMBER 10TH- 13TH

LTM will once again be showing at Plasa in the same spot as last year, stand M35 at the bottom of the escalator on the right hand side of the hall, alongside Amptown Cases.

Most of our staff will be there on Sunday, including our office staff and works engineers- if you care to come and put a face to the name or shoot the breeze about rigging and motors and other interesting stuff then please come along and have a drink with us, we look forward to seeing you. We have spare tickets available, just mail or call us and we can put some in the post.

If you get to the hall and need a ticket please call on 07775 620 738, we will meet you outside.

NEW STAFF

We recently recruited another member of staff for the workshop, making 4 in total.

Lee Culff joins Dave Ward, Alan Wood and Phil Jones, he has been here for a 6 weeks now and is already preparing Lodestars.

Lee comes from a lift servicing background so was already up to speed with the sort of equipment that we work on.

We are also searching for our first apprentice, it's difficult recruiting trained staff locally, so we decided to start training our own.

We will spend the next month or so interviewing young people to see whether there is anyone that we can find with the right attributes and most importantly attitude.



TESTING OF HOISTS

One question that came up recently was do we test our hoists before despatch. The answer is yes- every time, we issue a UK accepted Certificate of Inspection and



Test. We feel that once a hoist is fully assembled it needs a test to ensure it lifts it's load plus 25%!

The photo shows our test rig in use.

MOTOR SCHOOLS

As we mentioned in the last newsletter we are about to start the new LTM Motor Schools. The first one will be presented on Monday 16th and Tuesday 17th October with a further one to follow hopefully before Christmas.

We have a room on the ground floor of our offices which will be suitable, we are now finalising all the details.

If you have staff you would like to send, please contact us by email and we will let you have full details of the training we can offer.

LODESTAR WEATHER COVERS

In the summer we started offering weather covers for Lodestars. These have been made for all sizes of Lodestars and have a velcro type enclosure to allow the cover to be placed around the hoist with enclosures very close to the chain.

As many of you may have seen, water flows really well down a hoist chain and to absolutely weatherproof a hoist is difficult. We have come pretty close though and feel able to prevent most of the water getting into the hoist.

Covers can be made as shown with logos embroidered, we have made these for several companies, including Summit Steel.

We've also embroidered chain bags with clients' logos.

Please contact us for further details.



CONTROLLERS



We have spent the last 18 months building up our range of controllers.

The main problem was in finding something that a controller could be packaged into and we build most of them into flight cases.

Over the last year we've had many enquiries and orders for controllers for permanent installations and these have been built into wall mounted type enclosures with hard wiring to the hoists.

We've built controllers for both low voltage control Lodestars and direct control hoists with the largest controller so far a 42 channel direct control unit built into a large flight case with wheels fitted.

We welcome your enquiries for controllers – even special requirements can be accommodated.

NEW WINCH CATALOGUE

We have spent a lot of time this past year developing a new range of winches and the catalogue is finally printed.

This will be available at the Plasa show for those who wish to collect a copy. We will also be mailing the brochure out after the show.

The catalogue shows an extensive range of hand and electric winches, there are lots of the winches commonly used in entertainment applications and we feel we can offer competitive prices with good deliveries, we welcome your enquiries.

