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WELCOME ADDRESS



From Paul Gaze, CEO of Hire Association Europe

Another year has passed and another stellar Hire Association Europe Event Hire Association (HAE EHA) Hire Awards of Excellence is now in the bag.

The association has done much to make a difference on members' behalf over the past year and it was wonderful to be able to celebrate that alongside individual achievement.

As always, we are incredibly grateful to all the sponsors who helped make the Hire Awards of Excellence such a success. Similarly, we offer huge thanks to the judges who gave their time and had such a difficult task choosing overall winners from some very high-quality entries.

This year's event host, Major Scotty Mills, leads from the front and our audience celebrated Scotty's professionalism, approach to performance management, team building, and leadership.

He delivered a rousing speech and showed the audience about the importance of investing and believing in people.

The Hire Awards of Excellence is a complex event and Scotty handled it with aplomb. This included announcing 15 awards categories including winners, highly commended, finalists, and sponsors.

Working with Scotty was amazing, he was an absolute pleasure to spend time with and we highly recommend Scotty for hosting this type of event. After the event, he spent time with our guests and made everyone feel special, nothing was too much trouble. A really nice, genuine guy - and a hero!

As a sector, we work together to help promote careers and look for a much wider and broader range of candidates so it was rewarding to see so many inspiring finalists for categories such as Young

Apprentice of the Year, Apprentice of the Year and Workshop Manager of the Year, as well as seeing how companies are involving and engaging with their staff.

As I've said before, it's a privilege to be able to work alongside you all and I look forward to another rewarding and eventful year in the hire industry, with plenty to celebrate at our next Hire Awards of Excellence.

Paul Gaze
CEO





HIRE AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE 2023

Grosvenor House the scene of industry-wide celebration on glitzy awards night.

Now in its 16th year, the Hire Association Europe Event Hire Association (HAE EHA) Hire Awards of Excellence took place at Grosvenor House, London, in April with the whole hire industry turning up to celebrate at a glittering black tie event.

The show, itself an award winner having scored the Best Longstanding Event at the Association Excellence Awards, celebrates the outstanding achievements of hire and supply companies across the UK's plant, tool, equipment and event hire industries.

CEO Paul Gaze said on the night: "People really are our greatest asset, and it is important that as a sector we work together to help promote careers and look for a much wider and broader range of candidates. We have some inspiring finalists for the 2023 Awards."

This year's host was former Royal Marine and Elite Team Coach, Scotty Mills. The 'secret weapon' behind the

success of the England football team at the 2018 World Cup kept everyone entertained and inspired with his commentary throughout the evening.

CHAMPIONING MENTAL HEALTH IMPROVEMENTS

The first accolade of the evening was for the Outstanding Contribution to Hire Award. With many worthy recipients across the plant, tool, equipment and event hire sectors, this is an extremely tough award to give. But with 23 years' experience across the sector and for championing improvements to the way the hire industry tackles mental health, Asif Latief, Managing Director of Boels Rental, took the applause and the award.

The coveted Young Apprentice of the Year Award and Apprentice of the Year Award were keenly contested with many deserving winners just missing out on the awards. This year Harry Watts of HSS Hire and David Smith of Vp Brandon

Hire Station, respectively, walked away with the accolades for their achievements.

Chairman of HAE EHA, Neil Bravery, said: "Our industry, with the support from your Association, is committed to reducing its carbon output as part of the overall government initiative towards net zero. We all know we have a very long way to go as the diesel engine for example is heavily utilised but, as an industry, we are slowly starting to see change within our fleets, with battery technology progressing at a fast pace making corded machines very much a thing of the past.

"Will battery technology really be the way forward for heavy plant or will hydrogen be the fuel of the future? Who knows, perhaps the answers are in this room.

"The transitional cost to hirers switching to a greener fleet can be an additional 40% so, without government support, being able to meet these targets as a hirer will be

almost impossible. The good news, however, is the government has made a commitment in this year's Budget to talk to the construction industry which in real terms will affect the hire sector. It's a start, we have a way to go. Let's hope that the government recognises the support our sector so desperately needs."

INCREASED SUPPORT

Paul Gaze explained what the association has done to make a difference on members' behalf over the past year.

"We have increased the support in Hire Certification Services and we continue to deliver a range of accreditations such as SafeHire,

SSIP and HITS," he said. "Through our public affairs work led by Mark Bradshaw, we lobbied and worked with Government Agencies and bodies, getting hire and rental classified as essential retail using the various covid lockdown guides. Mark works with the Home Office and represents members' interests on the various groups seeking to reduce fraud and theft in the sector, liaising with the Police and other agencies.

"As an association we have engaged with new partners to deliver valued services to members. This includes utilities, commercial finance, a legal support helpline, business sales and crucially insurance. The work we have

undertaken in developing the HAE EHA Insurance Service offer through Towergate Insurance Brokers has been transformational. The breadth of support on offer is making a real difference, allowing our members to focus on what they do best to support their clients and customers."

The Hire Awards are considered the crown jewel of the industry's annual awards and the recognition and exposure they impart to the winners and high achievers are respected throughout the industry.

They further encourage companies to invest in individuals and R&D to the benefit of staff and customers alike. The judges in this year's competition commented that the quality of submissions was outstanding, especially with the stringent criteria required for entry, making the judging harder than ever. The winners in every category are well and truly deserved. <<

“As an association we have engaged with new partners to deliver valued services to members.”





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WINNERS

DIGITAL CATALOGUE OF THE YEAR

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The finalists were

Travis Perkins Hire

Highly Commended:

Travis Perkins Hire

Winner:

HSS Hire

Judges said:

Digital catalogues must communicate customer care and service delivery aims and objectives. Judges said the winning entry feels like web-content in book form, and loved that it offers advice and health and safety information.



WEBSITE OF THE YEAR

Sponsored by JCB Sales

The finalists were:

HSS Hire

Travis Perkins Hire

Vp Brandon Hire Station

YardLink

Highly Commended:

HSS Hire

Winner:

Vp Brandon Hire Station

Judges said:

The winning website illustrates a stand out entry, topical and educational. The judges enjoyed how this company set out aims of the website and provided information on how the aims were met.





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BEST USE OF NEW MEDIA

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The finalists were:

HSE
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Highly commended:

Niftylift

Winner:

HSE

Judges said:

The winning campaign adopted a new approach to 'support the average person' by making people safer. Objectives were strong and results were laid out clearly with evidence. The campaign went above and beyond.



DIVERSITY & INCLUSION INITIATIVE

Sponsored by Stallard Kane

The finalists were:

Boels Rental
YardLink

Highly Commended:

YardLink

Winner:

Boels Rental

Judges said:

The judges looked for an organisation that goes above and beyond to support

diversity and inclusivity by demonstrating commitment in driving a diverse, inclusive, and empowered workforce. This year, both finalists had strong evidence of doing just that. The winner of this category demonstrated a clear and comprehensive approach from an organisation that is leading from the top, making a difference and investing in their staff.



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SUSTAINABILITY & CSR INITIATIVE

Sponsored by SRL Traffic Systems

The finalists were:

Astley Hire Limited
Boels Rental
Garic
Speedy Services
Sunbelt Rentals
Vp Brandon Hire Station

Highly Commended:

Speedy Services

Winner:

Garic

Judges said:

The winning company's initiative is not just policies, the staff are involved and engaged too (e.g. monthly litter picking and beach clean ups). This company demonstrated its purpose is 'not about profit, it's about people'.



HIRE INDUSTRY PRODUCT OF THE YEAR

Sponsored by Worldpay from FIS

The finalists were:

Adlington, LPG Generator
ECO Hire, ECO Hire Cabin
Garic, Combi Cabin Eco 1.5
Genquip-Groundhog, i550 Welfare Unit
MHM Group, Solar Hybrid Battery Diesel Generator
Niftylift, HeightRider 17 All-Electric
Trime UK, X-Solar emissions-free lighting tower

Highly Commended:

Genquip-Groundhog, i550 Welfare Unit

Winner:

Niftylift, HeightRider 17 All-Electric

Judges said:

Hire industry manufacturers and suppliers drive innovation and safety every time they bring impressive new products to market. This category is always difficult to judge owing to a wide range of products and, of course, strong entries. The winning product impressed the judges with its impressive and innovative solution which satisfies modern eco concerns.



HIRE INDUSTRY SUPPLIER OF THE YEAR

Sponsored by The Hire Exchange

The finalists were:

JCB
MCS Rental Software
MHM Group
Niftylift
Point of Rental Software

Highly Commended:

Niftylift

Winner:

Point of Rental Software

Judges said:

The winning entry came from a standout, really thought-out submission, clearly following the criteria and demonstrating hire industry commitment.

This supplier is not only great at what they do but it is a great place to work - fun and inclusive. This entry showed the judges all the things that make them who they are.



SAFEHIRE PLANT, TOOL & EQUIPMENT HIRE COMPANY OF THE YEAR TURNOVER UNDER £10M

Sponsored by The Hire Exchange

The finalists were:

Dromad Hire
Lakeside Hire
MHM Group
Miles Hire
Multi-Hire Power Tools
PSM Plant & Tool Hire Centres Ltd
Ritelift Ltd

Highly Commended:

Lakeside Hire and
Ritelift Ltd

Winner:

PSM Plant & Tool Hire Centres

The judges said:

The judges said that the recipient is committed to the values of SafeHire by providing well-maintained equipment for hire, a high standard of health and safety management and commitment to continual improvement which had been demonstrated during recent SafeHire Certification site audits. The winner is a family-run business and undoubtedly a worthy winner.



SAFEHIRE PLANT, TOOL & EQUIPMENT HIRE COMPANY OF THE YEAR TURNOVER OVER £10M

Sponsored by HAE Insurance Services

The finalists were:

Boels Rental
Vp Brandon Hire Station
Carrier Rental Systems
HSS Hire
SRL Traffic Systems
Sunbelt Rentals
Travis Perkins Hire

Highly Commended:

Sunbelt Rentals

Winner:

Carrier Rental Systems

The judges said:

It is clear that the winning company, and their employees, prioritise safety. There is a strong work ethic and focus on how the company treats one another (and customers). The judges really liked how the entry split visions, values, and culture, and loved the buddy system and learning portal.



SAFEHIRE EVENT HIRE COMPANY OF THE YEAR

Sponsored by Hire Certification Services

The finalists were:

Allens Catering Hire
Plato Catering Hire
Sunbelt Rentals

Highly Commended:

Allens Catering Hire

Winner:

Sunbelt Rentals

The judges said:

All of the companies shortlisted are committed and proactive with SafeHire. The judges said the winning entry showed how SafeHire is embedded inside the organisation as reasons why this is an outstanding entry and worthy winner. This winner has worked with some very impressive events!



YOUNG APPRENTICE OF THE YEAR

Sponsored by SSIP

The finalists were:

Jay Campbell, Sunbelt Rentals
Thomas Fuentes-Moreno, Vp Brandon Hire Station
Harvey Matthews, Speedy Services
Lewis Stacey, Travis Perkins Hire
Harry Watts, HSS Hire

Highly Commended:

Jay Campbell, Sunbelt Rentals

Winner:

Harry Watts, HSS Hire

The judges said:

The hire industry needs to attract fresh talent and shine a torch on some of the budding young talent joining the industry. The Young Apprentice of the Year award celebrates the success of individuals and recognises the hard work, dedication, commitment and talent they show early on in their careers.



APPRENTICE OF THE YEAR

Sponsored by CITB

The finalists were:

David Edwards, KJN Services
Jordan Greenwood, Southern Plant and Tool Hire
Martin Richmond, HSS Hire
David Smith, Vp Brandon Hire Station
Jack Witheridge, Speedy Services
Fiachra Woodhouse, YardLink

Highly commended:

Martin Richmond, HSS Hire

Winner:

David Smith, Vp Brandon Hire Station

The judges said:

Judges said they were impressed by how this apprentice had been given lots of responsibility, received 100% feedback in reviews and is massively valued in the branch. This apprentice has been responsible for making machines available for high profile customers.



WORKSHOP MANAGER OF THE YEAR

Sponsored by PSM Plant & Tool Hire Centres

The finalists were:

Marcus Adams, Vp Brandon Hire Station
Oscar Norman, Sunbelt Rentals

Winner:

Oscar Norman, Sunbelt Rentals

The judges said:

This award recognises the outstanding achievements of the individuals who are the backbone of hire. These individuals are important to the hire industry, its customers and to their employer.



HIRE MANAGER OF THE YEAR

Sponsored by HireTrain



The finalists were:

Yvonne Bransom, Independent Builders Merchants Group (IBMG)
Ray Campbell, HSS Hire
Boyd Crombie, Vp Brandon Hire Station
Mike Harrop, Frank Key
Mike Kilgar, Boels Rental
Sivakumar Sivarjah, Speedy Services
John Wheatley, Andrews Sykes
Lucy Williams, Travis Perkins Hire

Highly Commended:

John Wheatley,
Andrews Sykes
Mike Harrop, Frank Key

Winner:

Boyd Crombie, Vp Brandon Hire Station

The judges said:

The winner is clearly a standout candidate for this award. Impressive results have been demonstrated and it was clear that he cares about his team - managing, training, and developing the team at the same time as achieving standout results.

HIRE ACHIEVER OF THE YEAR

Sponsored by Point of Rental Software

The finalists were:

David Smith, Vp Brandon Hire Station
Oscar Norman, Sunbelt Rentals
Boyd Crombie, Vp Brandon Hire Station

Winner:

Oscar Norman, Sunbelt Rentals

The judges said:

This award is one that truly demonstrates the importance of recruiting, nurturing and training the right people. Resulting in the best staff and outstanding achievement. These individual awards highlight the people with great potential in the hire industry and importantly it also encourages their long-term commitment.



OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO HIRE

Winner:

Asif Latief, Managing Director of
Boels Rental



‘THE IDEAL HOST’

Major Scotty Mills keeps audience enthralled with tales of his remarkable career.

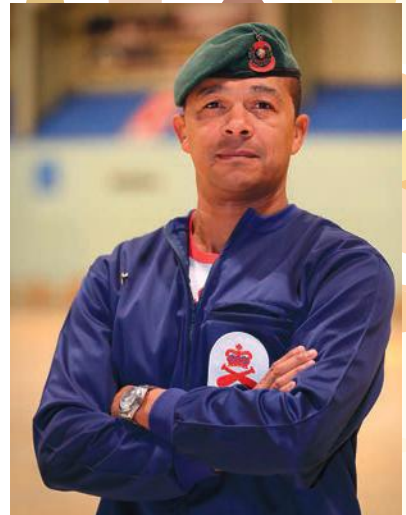
The 2023 host for the awards, former Royal Marine Officer, Major Scotty Mills, is the highest-ranking black officer in the history of the Royal Marines, and has been titled the Most Inspirational Serviceman.

Having begun his 32-year military career as a Media Operations Officer at the Royal Marines, Scotty had a remarkable career serving his country. From working as the Logistical Planning Officer to fulfilling the role of Head of Physical Training, Performance, and Sport for the Royal Marines, he experienced many high-pressure situations and pushed his resilience to extremes.

Having retired from the forces in 2019, Scotty has previously worked as an advisor for the FA, working closely with Gareth Southgate and the England Football Team. Nicknamed Gareth’s ‘Secret Weapon’, he is admired throughout the sporting industry for stamping his mark in football history.

He is the author of the Amazon number 1 Movers and Shakers book ‘Never Give In: The 12 Commando Rules for Life’.

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He said the audience celebrated Scotty’s professionalism, approach to performance management, team building, and leadership.

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Chair Neil Bravery pays tribute to Outstanding Contribution to Hire winner.

Neil Bravery, Chair of HAE EHA, said it gave him 'great honour' to announce Asif Latief, Managing Director of Boels Rental, as the recipient of the Outstanding Contribution to Hire award.

"The Outstanding Contribution to Hire Award recipient has carved out a successful career in Hire, spanning 23 years, and has shown that true hard work and dedication really does pay off. With the right attitude and a will to succeed, anything is possible. Their dedication to staff development as a business leader, whilst being a key figurehead in our industry really is what it's all about," Neil said.

"Asif Latief, has personally driven one huge industry shift and has championed, as the association's

ambassador, the way the hire industry deals with mental health. For a moment just forget about machinery, customers, and profits and think about people - your people, who are your greatest assets. Mental health doesn't discriminate, mental health affects everyone, whether that's personally, your friends, or family, suffering, sometimes in silence."

He said Asif had been instrumental in organising regional meetings bringing people from different hire companies together and helping remove the stigma of mental health.

"Since the global pandemic depression has doubled, this is a worldwide crisis so the more we talk about it and help those who need support the better," he said. <<



BUSINESS PROVES ITS SUSTAINABLE AND RESILIENT COMMITMENT



Garic Ltd was pleased to share news that it had won the Sustainability & CSR Initiative award at the Hire Awards of Excellence, for Project Compass.

Garic, which has been owned by the Bibby Line Group since 2008, is one of the most trusted plant and site equipment providers in the country. The group announced its commitment to a set of bold sustainability goals in 2021, which it named Project Compass.

Project Compass is described as the company's "hugely important long-term commitment to being a sustainable and resilient

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business through supporting our communities, customers, people, and the environment”.

After receiving the award from Mark Gordon, ESH&Q Manager at SRL, which sponsored the award, the team thanked the colleagues who live by its values and make a difference every day through Project Compass.

Project Compass, announced in 2021, focuses on four areas to foster the long-term sustainability of the Group: Environment, community, people and customer. Goals include ‘Net zero total carbon emissions by 2040’ and ‘1,000 colleague days given to the community every year’.

Garic beat Highly Commended Speedy Services to take the 2023 award title. Other finalists included Astley Hire Limited, Boels Rental, Sunbelt Rentals and Vp Brandon Hire Station.

“We’re delighted to be finalists for two award categories at this evening’s Hire Awards of Excellence!” the team announced on its Twitter page prior to learning it had won the award. “ Our circular economy Combi Cabin Eco 1.5 is up for Hire Industry Product of the Year, and Project Compass is up for Sustainability & CSR Initiative!” <<



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Niftylift won Hire Industry Product of the Year for its new HR17E, a 17m All-Electric boom that offers up to five days of zero-emission operation on a single charge.

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As well as the Hire Industry Product of the Year 'Win', Niftylift was also Highly Commended in the Hire Industry Supplier of the Year and Best Use of New Media categories.

Marketing Manager for Niftylift, Simon Maher, said: "I would like to



HR17E - HAE Product of the Year 2023

thank and congratulate all those involved in the design, development and production of the HR17E. Bringing a product like this to market requires the collaboration of dozens of dedicated people, and this award recognises that supreme effort. Teamwork is essential at Niftylift, and I'm very proud to be part of such a talented team.

"I would also like to extend our thanks to the Hire Association Europe, with special mention to Paul Gaze for hosting and Ann Harrison for organising a very professional event and honouring us with this award. Thank you!" <<

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SUPPLIER KEEPS ITS TITLE FOR A SECOND YEAR

After earning the company's first Hire Industry Supplier of the Year award in 2022, Point of Rental felt honoured to announce that it was a finalist again for the 2023 HAE EHA Hire Awards of Excellence.

The Supplier of the Year is selected based purely on votes from judges, and after hearing the finalists' and Highly Commended names announced, the team at Point of Rental learned that it had kept the title for a second year, with Chris Harvey, Co-Founder of sponsors The Hire Exchange, presenting the 2023 award to the company.

"We are honoured to be named Suppliers of the Year again," said Point of Rental's EMEA Managing Director Mark Goodrum. "We measure success by our customers – and our team's – success, and it's exciting to see it reflected in this award."

As a finalist, Point of Rental joins many hirers using the company's software. Users who were named finalists in their categories were:

- Sustainability & CSR Initiative: Astley Hire
- Hire Industry Product of the Year: ECOHire's ECOHire Cabin
- Apprentice of the Year: David Edwards, KJN Services; Jordan Greenwood, Southern Plant & Tool Hire
- Hire Manager of the Year: Steven Jones, The MHM Group

There were also plenty of Point of Rental users in the SafeHire Plant, Tool, & Equipment Hire Company of

the Year categories. In the Turnover under £10m category, Dromad Hire, Lakeside Hire, MHM Group, Miles Hire, and Ritelift were finalists. SRL Traffic Systems was a finalist in the Turnover over £10M category as well.

Point of Rental provides hire and inventory management software solutions that connect people from every hire vertical and job role, empowering them with the tools they need to streamline operations and grow strategically. The company has been operating for 25 years. <<





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HAE EHA has extended its thanks to the judges for taking the time to evaluate the awards this year.

Without each judge volunteering their time, the awards wouldn't be possible.



*Alex Cooke, Marketing Manager,
Towergate Insurance Brokers*



*Ann Harrison, Group Marketing &
Communications Manager, HAE EHA*



*Carl Bartlett, Director of Certification
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‘THE RENTAL INDUSTRY CONTINUES TO IMPROVE AND DEVELOP’



PASMA’s Jason Carlton tells us why he was honoured to be back on the judging panel this year.

PASMA’s Jason Carlton was once again highly impressed by the standard of entries across the board when he was asked to resume his place on the judging panel this year.

Organised by Hire Association Europe and Event Hire Association (HAE EHA), the Hire Awards is an annual opportunity for hire companies - and the individuals working within them - to share their success and be recognised for their efforts.

Jason told us: “I’ve been judging for several years now and I’m always struck by how the rental industry continues to improve and develop. In the past, sustainability, inclusion and corporate responsibility seemed like a ‘luxury’ only large companies could afford, but now every entry from SMEs to plc recognises the importance of doing the right thing. It’s encouraging to see.”

THE JUDGING PROCESS

The panel is made up of nine judges drawn from across the hire sector, who bring a broad range of industry knowledge and perspective to proceedings. This year there were 15 categories for them to judge, with 90 entries in total. For each category, the judges aimed to select first place, highly commended and third place entries.

Jason said it’s a demanding but enjoyable job. “I find it rewarding to read the success stories, particularly the Young Apprentice of the Year and Hire Achiever of the Year entries. It’s nice to learn how people entering the sector are making a career,” he said.

STAND-OUT ENTRIES

So what makes a winning entry stand out? We asked Jason if he had any advice for future entrants.

“While there are occasionally stand-out winners, usually it’s a challenge to select a winning entry from a group of high performers. For me, stand-out entries are those that include customer testimonials,” he said. For anyone entering the awards in future, it might sound obvious but my advice would firstly be to make sure your submission answers the entry brief. Explain everything - rental is a big sector, so don’t assume the judges understand your specialism. Finally, shout about your success!”

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REAPING THE AWARDS

Celebrations all round for Genquip-Groundhog.

UK manufacturer of temporary accommodation units, Genquip-Groundhog, is celebrating a trio of awards for its iRange of sustainable, low-emission site welfare units.

At the recent Hire Association Europe (HAE) Hire Awards of Excellence ceremony, the company was honoured with a 'Highly Commended' citation in the 'Hire Industry Product of the Year' category for its i550 welfare unit, which is powered by a low emission 2kVA engine-driven battery charger system charged by a 1200W inverter.

Additional power is via four 360-watt solar panels – roof mounted with a high-capacity charger controller. The i550 welfare units operate from an intelligent solar power and battery system. In

addition, the i550 is fitted with a Victron Remote Monitoring system (VRM) that helps the operator to catch potential issues early by setting alerts and alarms.

The iRange also won a Global Gold commendation in the 2023 Green Apple World awards in the Green Energy class, and has been recognised by one of the UK's leading plant and equipment trade exhibitions, Plantworx 2023. It was included in the shortlist of its Innovation Awards programme in the 'Non-Operated Plant and Support Service' section.

Genquip-Groundhog has placed carbon emission reduction, lowered fuel costs, and empowered the use of renewables in the design of the I-Range. These units are powered by an intelligent solar power and battery system, which means that

the backup HVO (hydrotreated vegetable oil) Stage V-compliant generator is only running for around a third of the time when compared to a conventional welfare unit. HVO fuel is a renewable diesel alternative based on vegetable oils, grease, and similar residue. It is a drop-in diesel alternative with 90% lower net CO₂ greenhouse gas emissions.

The Genquip-Groundhog partnership, which is based in Neath, South Wales, manufactures a wide range of sustainable accommodation units used throughout the hire, event, rail, and construction markets.

At last year's Hire Awards of Excellence, the company was the Website of the Year winner and was also Highly Commended for its Unisex SolarLoo. <<



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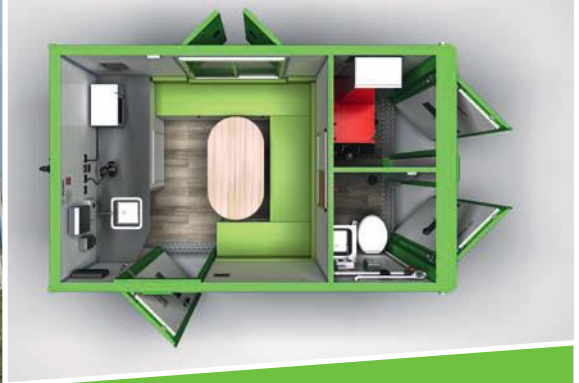
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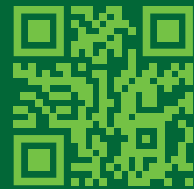




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