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IPAF in Roma

The IPAF summit and awards dinner 2012 was held in Rome, as in past year's we bring you the slightly irreverent Vertical photo album of the event, complete with a few light hearted captions. As the photos will hopefully portray, this was another great event, and perhaps they might just encourage you to attend the next one, which will be held in Miami Florida, just before Easter 2013. If any of our captions offend, please be assured that this was not our aim and hopefully you will forgive us. The Summit included some excellent information which we will be incorporating into the next articles within the next three or four issue of the magazine, rather than try to cover them all in one here.



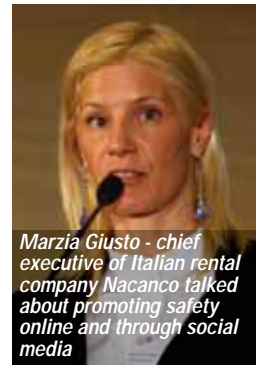
The IPAF Council for 2012



"Look I found this little black ball" Chris Wraith of IPAF shows and tells with Karina Mireles and Gary Riley



While the number of questions were few in comparison with previous Summits, there were still plenty of contributions



Marzia Giusto - chief executive of Italian rental company Nacanco talked about promoting safety online and through social media



Andy Studdert of NES gave a first class talk on introducing aviation type safety protocols to the powered access rental business



Chris Wraith chief technical officer of IPAF updates on the aerial lift incident reporting project



"Look I have got an iPhone" - Steve Couling, Wayne Lawson and Tim Whiteman during the formal meetings prior to the Summit



Gary Riley of AWPT in the USA, set out to prove how simply giving instructions how to do something is Not training... "And No he did not pick the stupidest people on the audience to prove his point!" Giles Councill struggles to complete the task in spite of having been told how to do it



Mohd Ismadi from the Singapore Ministry of Manpower talked about the changes that are rapidly transforming the way companies work in the city state



"Over there - Miami that is" perhaps IPAF chief executive Tim Whiteman is pointing out that the next Summit will be held in Miami - just before Easter 2013



"Now that's interesting" A lone Karina Mireles checks out the programme



The Summit was well attended with some excellent presentations



Peter Douglas makes a most impassioned case for incident reporting and makes the case for it to be mandatory for IPAF members



"Best of friends - yes?" Stefano Di Santo of Haulotte with Roberto Marangoni of JLG



"Don't worry I can fix it boss" Stefano Di Santo talks animatedly with Alexander Saubot CEO of Haulotte



"Come on then wise guy, what does it mean?" Helena and Jorge Lozano of Jorge Lozano of Portugal before the Summit





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The Networking event and dinner

The evening before the Summit over 250 industry delegates were hosted to a party at the Teatro Centrale, a stone's throw from the Coliseum. While the main point was the opportunity to catch up with access specialists from around the world, there was also some local entertainment as well as good food.

"We finally got rid of him!" Karina Mireles and Marta Lucani of IPAF with an empty chair at the networking event check-in before the rush



"How do you like my IPAF hat?" The doorman at the Teatro Centrale, venue for the Networking event



"It's all about passion" ..
"And then you have to follow through and nail it"
Steve Redding of Niftylift takes on an Italian air with Mark Keily of Nationwide Platforms.



"Now look here you!" Discussions at the bar look serious between Shawn Ong of Galmon Singapore and Mikael Kämpe of Ramirent



North meets south
David Houston of Highway Plant, Belfast with John Ball of Easi UpLifts, Dublin



"Well Helloooooo" Cameron Reid of Harsco with Jo Wood of IPAF



"Don't look now Austin but the paparazzi have spotted us" Austin Baker and Nick Selley of AFI-Uplift arrive



"So where on earth have they brought us?" IPAF deputy president Steve Couling of Versalift arrives for some networking



"What's so special about this place then Wayne?" IPAF president Wayne Lawson and Genie's Phil Graysmark are the first arrivals at the Networking event



"So you AFI guys were trying to sneak in without a ticket were you Austin?" Jean Harrison of IPAF has a word with Austin Baker of AFI-Uplift at the registration desk



"What's this nonsense?"
"No you're definitely not allowed in" Marta Lucani of IPAF seems reluctant to give Nick Selley of AFI a badge



"You distract him and I'll grab the hat!"



"Ha.... See they failed to get my hat from me.. what do you think of my new teeth by the way"



"Do we look alike?" Jo Wood of IPAF and Ketty Furlan of KF Consulting



"So what have you got there then Fergus?" Fergus and Harry McArdle of Easi UpLifts ponder the food



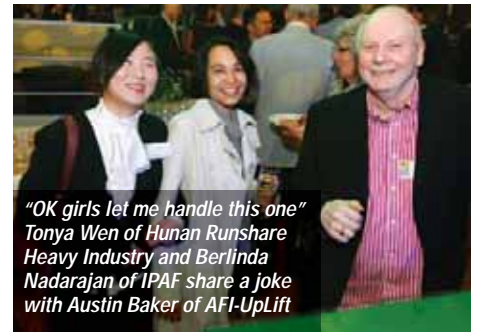
"You are too late! This is the last of the food" Margaret Caton and Jean Harrison of IPAF



"So I see you finally got in then Nick" Nick Selley of AFI-Uplift with Tony Mort of AJ Access



"I've had enough now! Stop following me Wim!" Wim Van Beuzekom of Hoogwerker Centrum with Nils Pradel of Pradel Arbeitsbühnen



"OK girls let me handle this one" Tonya Wen of Hunan Runshare Heavy Industry and Berlanda Nadarajan of IPAF share a joke with Austin Baker of AFI-UpLift



"Smile Marzia! there's a photographer" Marzia and Stefano Giusto of Nacanco....



"I see they stopped Nick Selley at the door then" Barry Brady of Elavation with Brian Parker of AFI and Mani Gonzales of Elavation



A bird's eye view of the bar at networking event



"How's that for a smile then?"



"Well....in South America we speak it better" José Manuel Mayo of IPAF Espana, with Marcos Hume of Interex/Manlift Chile



"Lets get him Enrico!" Enrico Marighella and Roberto Marangoni of JLG Italia, and Brad Boehler of Skyjack as Hans Aarse of IPAF has a quick nap

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"Stop looking so smug Gerard... he's got a camera" Harry McArdle and Gerard Jennings of Easi UpLifts let their food settle



The formidable Mayer ladies: Tanja Thaler, Edeltraud Mayer and Julia Stark of Mayer Hubarbeitsbühnen



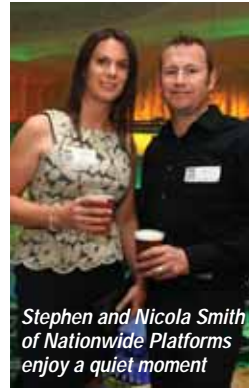
"We have travelled the furthest ... Well almost" Marcelo Yamane and Sergio Kariya of Mills Rental Brazil



The three red troubadours - Alessandro Anzalone, David Hert and Thomas Puhl-Hert of Hert Arbeitsbühnen Vermietung



"How do you like the scarf then?" (L-R) Antonio Coraducci of Co.Me.T, Florenzo Flisi of Socage and Mauro Mollo of Mollo Noleggio



Stephen and Nicola Smith of Nationwide Platforms enjoy a quiet moment



Looking quite pleased with himself Andrew Davin with Karin Nars of Dinolift



"Ooooo it's like sucking on a lemon" Paolo Pianigiani of Imer Access with friend



"Stop being so serious Pedro" Pedro Torres of Hune with Antonio Gomez de la Vega of Rirent



"I'm not really here for the craic" Phil Graysmark of Genie with Andrew and Nicholas Davin of Aerial Platform Hire, Ireland



Klein Phua of Modern Scaffold Singapore, Cindy Casey Lim of JPN Singapore and industry veteran Alistair Robertson of Universal Equipment



"I can get Angry Birds on this new phone as well as vertikal.net" Iva Thiel of Lectura with Nils Pradel of Pradel Arbeitsbühnen, Berlin



Cindy Casey Lim of JPN Industrial Trading of Singapore with Raymond Wat of IPAF



"These odds I like" Patrick Degan of Haulotte with the Mayer girls



"Hey I'll slap you in a minute!" Alexander Ochs of Vertikal with Iva Thiel of Lectura and Nils Pradel of Pradel Arbeitsbühnen



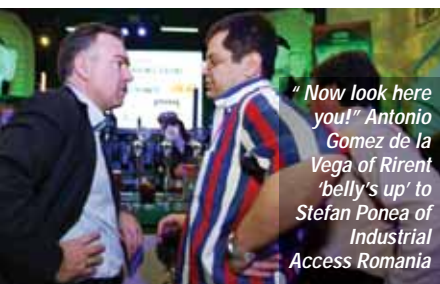
"He's my mate" Graham Osmond and Brian Parker of AFI



"Come on then big boy" Tim Ward of Niftylift meets his match in Maria Hadlow of Access International



"Now let me show you the how it's done" Danièle Liepach of Powerlift Deutschland with Floris Renes of Hoogwerker Centrum, Holland



"Now look here you!" Antonio Gomez de la Vega of Rirent 'belly's up' to Stefan Ponea of Industrial Access Romania



"Cheers" Steve and Jo Smith of the US Scaffold and Access Industry Association



"That's not a beer belly" Patrick Gianoncelli and Francesca Giusto of Vernazza Autogru



"Mine is bigger than yours - camera that is" Marcel Rasing, Laurent Guillaux and Alan Hall of JLG



"I can't wait to be a past John" - past president John Ball with current IPAF president Wayne Lawson



Looking regal at the bar - Dante Fracca of Hinowa



Gerhard Hillebrand of IPAF Italia receives his Lifetime Achievement award from Tim Whiteman



"John! I must eat" Leigh Sparrow of Vertikal with John Ball of Easi UpLifts



Wayne Lawson continues to check into being an ex-president - with Nicholas Davin (L)



Karin Nars accepts a posthumous Lifetime Achievement award on behalf of her late father Lars-Petter ('Lasse') Godenhielm of Dino-Lift and ex-president of IPAF, from Murray Pollok (L) and Tim Whiteman



Jonnie Dawson of JLG with the Fraccas - Davide and Enrico of Hinowa



The entertainment - Is that the doorman among them?



"Stop looking so flustered Ebbe" Ebbe Christensen of Skako USA and Karina Mireles of IPAF

The award winners:

Lifetime Achievement Award
Gerhard Hillebrand, IPAF Italia and the late Lars-Petter Godenhielm of Dinolift and past president of IPAF.

Access Project of the Year
Alimak Hek

Contribution to Safe Working at Height Nationwide Platforms.

Products of the year
Manitou for its 280TJ boom lift,
Edmolift for the Air,
Ruthmann for its T330 truck mount
Geda for the Multilift P18S hoist.

IPAF Safety Champion of the Year
Austin Baker of AFI-Uplift,

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IPAF Training Instructor of the Year
Kevin O'Shea of Mastclimbers

Best New IPAF Training Centre
Maquinarias Paco

Access Rental company of the year
Mills Rental

Access Photograph of the Year
Uwe Schneider of Mateco



Cornered by two rogues... Macarena Garcia of Movicarga magazine with Wim Le Roy (L) of Heli and Arne Dirckinck-Holmfeld of PB Lifttechnik



Maria Hadlow with Gianpiero Marti of Bluelift and Fabio Potesta of Mediapoint



"I would jolly well tell him where to get off" Jean Harrison voicing her opinion to Susan Foster of IPAF



All change...Rafael Bazzarella of Skyjack gets blindsided by the IPAF ladies



"What's in the bag mam?" Pan Penny of Vertikal speaks with David White of Mec, with colleague Jim Tolle in the background

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