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'THE WORLD LEADER IN IS VARIABLE EQUIPMENT'



## THINKING OF OUR CUSTOMERS IN THE UKRAINE

Already summer is quickly approaching and almost 6 months of 2022 is complete.

The situation in the Ukraine is understandably making all the headlines at the moment, for all the wrong reasons and I think I speak for everyone when we hope that the conflict is brought to an end soon.

Lattimer have a regular customer base in the Ukraine and unfortunately one of our customers, Vetropack have lost a plant, however others are defying the situation and continuing to operate, we hope that they are able to escape the dreadful devastation of many Ukrainian regions.

**Our agent in the area Mr Afonin despite the situation continues to operate and we are delighted to feature 'Maks' in this issue of the newsletter.**

**Thank You!**

## NEW ADDITION TO THE LATTIMER GROUP

Lattimer are pleased to announce that Hunpreco the worlds leading manufacturer of Plungers and Coolers for the Glass Container manufacturing industry have joined the Lattimer group of companies.



Stephen Waterhouse, CEO of the Lattimer group commented "we are absolutely delighted that this world leading, quality led organisation have now joined the Lattimer group. Their high quality product and commitment to customer satisfaction are well known in the Glass container manufacturing industry and so are an excellent addition to the Lattimer group, itself built on a reputation of high quality, innovation and commitment to the customer. We are very much looking forward to Hunpreco contributing to the continued success of the Lattimer group".

Over the next few weeks Hunpreco will be contacting all their customers with this news and confirming that it is business as usual, in the mean time we would like to welcome Ivan and his team to the Lattimer Family.

**For further information contact Hunpreco at [info@hunpreco.com](mailto:info@hunpreco.com)**

# IN SAFE ARMS!

Manufacturing Mould holders is always a challenge, particularly ensuring the 'arms' remain level and at a consistent and stable height on assembly. The stack up of tolerances can deliver OOS holders. At Lattimer we have been working on identifying and delivering a reliable and consistent solution to this issue.

Adding and amending specific toleranced dimensions has resulted in the manufacture of holders consistently within acceptable limits of 0.002", without adding to the manufacturing time or cost.

As holder orders are received, drawings are now modified and the manufacturing methods adjusted to guarantee quality and consistency.



## ACTION!!!

To help promote the new Servo Takeout Arm, we commissioned a video to be produced that would highlight the unique features and benefits of this industry leading product. The new and improved Lattimer Servo Takeout Arm is set to be just as, if not more popular than its predecessors.

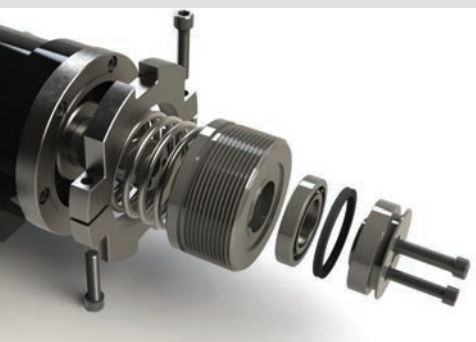
We have once again worked closely with 'Perfect Circle' to produce a video which contains informative visuals and graphics to ensure all key benefits are conveyed to the viewer, even when a language barrier may be present. The video combines computer generated images coupled with studio recordings of the physical product to give a full overview of the Arm.

If you are interested in improving the performance of your servo IS machine contact your account manager for further details on this new range of Lattimer Take Out Arms.

Watch the new Servo Takeout Arm video on our website [www.lattimer.com](http://www.lattimer.com) or on our Youtube Channel, we would love to receive your comments.



## MAJOR MANUFACTURING GROUP STANDARDISE ON THE LATTIMER NECK RING MECHANISM



The Lattimer Neck Ring Mechanism is proving to be a great favourite with Glass container plants worldwide and now a major European Glass Container Manufacturing Group has confirmed that the Lattimer mechanism is to be their standard for all machine rebuilds and refurbishments.

The Senior Engineer for the group commented "the reason we have selected the Lattimer mechanism is due to its precise and detailed manufacture, resulting in a mechanism that delivers long life, guarantees synchronized opening, resists wear and has minimum backlash, allowing the plants to deliver efficient production without container defects".

For more information on the Lattimer Neck Ring Mechanism contact your Lattimer Account Manager.

# WELL DONE JOE & DAVE!

Joe Simonsen and Dave Saunders , CNC Machine Operators at Lattimer US, receives their raised seal Certificate of Machine Operator One Apprenticeship Completion from the United States Department of Labor.

They both completed 2000 hours of on the job training and online academic technical training (RTI) from Camden County College, being awarded the Academic Certificate in Precision Machining Technology, covering the following elements:

- **CIM-101** Machine Shop Practices
- **CIM-221** Conventional Machinist
- **CIM-202** CNC Machinist
- **CIM- 219** Programming and CAM

Lattimer US are delighted that Joe and Dave successfully completed their training and are confident that this will be a springboard to additional qualifications, well done guys.



The Certificate of Completion was presented by Mr W Martin (right) and Mr G Plummer (left).

# YOUTH TO THE FORE!

Some recent changes in the Manufacturing Engineering department at Lattimer UK has brought youth to the fore.

Our Manufacturing Engineering team are vital to the success of the organization, identifying, costing and planning our manufacturing methods, writing CNC machine programs and designing and having manufactured, component fixturing.

Led by Neil Welsh, his team of three engineers have a maximum age of 27 with two of the engineers having undertaken their apprenticeships at Lattimer. The team are expected to plan and deliver over 40 new products per month as well as constantly reducing manufacturing times, utilising innovative fixture and tooling combinations to guarantee product quality and minimise cost.

This is a substantial and challenging task with no break in the pressure and demands on their time, however the young team are working hard to satisfy the requirements of our unforgiving Manufacturing Operations department and customer base.

**Thanks, and keep up the good work.**



## GLASSTEC 2022

As Europe finally returns to normality, the largest exhibition in the Glass manufacturing calendar is once again taking place this year in the exhibition complex in Dusseldorf, Germany, between 20th and 23rd September.

Lattimer will be in attendance as will our sister company Hunpreco and a full complement of Lattimer account managers will be present on the stand.

Please feel free to visit us on stand B45 in Hall 13 where the team will be delighted to catch up and provide you with an opportunity to rest those weary feet

# OUR MAN IN THE UKRAINE: Maksym Afonin, "Maks"



'Maks' as he is affectionately known has been successfully representing Lattimer for almost four years.

Prior to the recent conflict in the Ukraine, Maks was responsible for sales in all the CIS countries having built up a network of regular customers over this time, embracing the challenge of the role and enjoying contact with his customers in the different nations.

Living in Ukraine with his wife and three children aged 16, 10 and 5, we are all aware that his homeland is in the middle of war with Russia. Our thoughts and prayers are for the continued safety of Maks and his family and a speedy end to this pointless and deadly conflict.



Maks and his wife

## FIRST AID KITS FOR THE UKRAINE


**A recent mail from one of our customers in the Ukraine, the Kostopil Glassworks brought home the reality of the conflict in the Ukraine.**

The mail, as well as requesting the dispatch of spare parts for the plant, detailed the actions being taken by our contact, his family and a number of volunteers who are manufacturing First Aid Kits for the Ukrainian forces. He requested we consider making a donation to help purchase a number of sewing machines to speed up their manufacturing process.

We are delighted that a raffle was quickly arranged, and the funds raised, together with a donation from the company were sent to assist this very worthy cause, enabling them to buy two additional machines, helping support a wonderful effort by some very brave people.



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