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**Davies Crane Hire in the UK adds two long boom Grove cranes**

* *The Carmarthen-based rental company added a GMK6300L and GMK4100L-1 to its growing fleet.*
* *Both cranes will work across the South Wales region and beyond.*

UK crane rental company Davies Crane Hire is the latest to bolster its fleet with the addition of long boom Grove all-terrain cranes. The company, which has its headquarters in Carmarthen, South Wales, received a 300 t capacity GMK6300L and a 100 t capacity GMK4100L-1. The 100 t machine is based at the company’s main depot in Carmarthen, while the 300 t unit operates out of its Port Talbot location, although both cranes will travel extensively to offer coverage of the entire South Wales region and beyond.

The long boom GMK all-terrain cranes from Grove are among the most popular mobile cranes on the market today and Malcolm Davies, managing director at Davies Crane Hire, explained why it’s such an attractive benefit for his company.

“So many job sites these days have limited access, so attaching a jib to the boom is a headache,” he said. “Aside from the extra time and cost to get the jib to the job site, maneuvering it into position to attach it is becoming a more technical process. So with the long boom lengths on these two new Grove machines a lot of that hassle is eliminated. That’s probably the single biggest benefit of these new additions – their relative simplicity.”

The GMK6300L has an 80 m main boom that can be extended up to 117 m using its full jib complement of 37 m. It also has a heavy-duty jib with a 38 t capacity for extra lift capacity at height. For the GMK4100L-1, maximum main boom is 60 m and this can be extended up to 86 m with the full jib addition. Both boom designs feature Manitowoc’s unique Twin-Lock pinning and patented Megaform design for optimized rigidity and capacity.

Davies Crane Hire has been in business almost 40 years, having started out in 1979. Other Grove models in the company’s fleet include two GMK4100L models and a GMK5200. In addition to Carmarthen and Port Talbot, the company also operates facilities in Milford Haven and Cardiff.

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