

Greatest Moments to Remember: ***Fastener World in the 2nd Half of 2002***

In the 2nd half of 2002, several Taiwanese fastener related companies went to China for setting up their new factories, as since December 2001 China had become a member of WTO and since then Taiwanese companies had started to broaden their investments in China. According to relevant statistics by value, Taiwan was the 2nd largest overseas investment (incl. re-investment) contributor to China in the period of 2000-2002, only second to Hong Kong. Many hardware exhibitions with their own features were also held in the 2nd half in the same year. In China, more and more regional exhibitions dedicated to the fastener industry were also given.

The Fastener Sub-association of CMCA Visits Taiwan

The then chairman of Taiwan Industrial Fasteners Institute (TIFI), Mr. John Wu, invited the then secretary of the Sub-association of CMCA, Mr. Jinyao Feng and the other 9 association reps to visit a few Taiwanese leading fastener manufacturers and share with each other some technologies about fastener manufacturing & equipment. Feng, on behalf of the Association, also presented souvenirs respectively to Fastener World Magazine, TIFI and Taiwan Fastener Association.



2002 Economy, Trade and Technology Session for Chinese Fastener Industry

More than 400 industrial professionals attended this session. Corresponding to the emergence of Chinese fastener industry, similar activities were given and were dedicated to Chinese fastener suppliers to demonstrate their products, collect industrial news, exchange info with industrial peers, extend business reach and secure their interests. This event was given annually and was usually attended by more than 400 people per year.



The 13th Members Meeting of Taiwan Industrial Fasteners Institute (TIFI)

This event was held in September 2002. During the meeting, members discussed the future of Taiwanese fastener industry. Although a big portion of Taiwanese companies moved their factories to China, another big portion of Taiwanese companies were still determined to stay in Taiwan. The then TIFI chairman John Wu proposed his idea of following the rules of the global market for Taiwanese fastener industry to seek a sustainable business.

Bäcker KG Celebrates 25th Anniversary

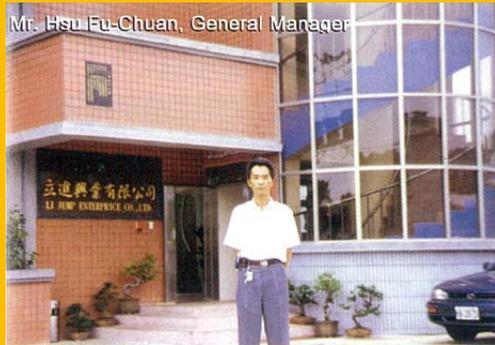
Knobs and handles manufacturer Bäcker, which was established in 1977 and which expanded its manufacturing site in 2000, celebrated its 25th anniversary. Its products are of high quality and feature various functionalities, comfortable exteriors and modern design. BÄCKER also provides made-to-order solutions for special purposes or personal applications.





The Trial Run of Cheng I Wire Machinery in Tainan

On June 20th of 2002, Cheng I released two new machine models: straight-line continuous wire drawing machine and rust removal machine. It invited many professionals from the fastener industry to witness the trial run of new machines. The then newly released models could be connected to computers, thus saving a lot of labor cost and revealing the mature machine design capabilities of Cheng I.



Mr. Hsu Fu-Chuan, General Manager

Inauguration of Li Jump Enterprise's New Factory

Moving to the 1,600 sq. meters new Taoyuan-based factory from Taipei, Li Jump has a monthly capacity of up to 300 tons. With more than two decades of planning and progress, Li Jump hoped that the inauguration of the new factory could help realize the highest profit and continuous service through excellent control over quality, efficiency and cost.

Superior Tool Inaugurates Its New Factory

The new factory at that time showed a monthly capacity of up to 80,000 pcs, aiming at sales to Southeast Asia, Italy, Brazil, Turkey and many other regions. The factory also showed capabilities for the R&D of various professional molds and dies.



San Shing Hardware Works Co., Ltd. Renamed to San Shing Fastech Corp.

San Shing was founded in 1965. It turned to the development of products with higher added value after 2002, and in order to broaden its business, the company was renamed to San Shing Fastech Corp.



Jern Yao Enterprises Adds Operation in Shanghai

Jern Yao Enterprises added a new operation within Shanghai Qingpu Industrial Zone. At that time many Taiwanese companies went to China for setting up new factories, and Jern Yao as an outstanding equipment provider also added its operation in Shanghai and established close collaboration with local talents. Its excellent technique, superior quality and powerful R&D capability have helped the Company earn a good reputation industry-wide.



Jiancai Machinery (Shanghai) Co., Ltd. Begins Operation

Considering the fact that many Taiwanese fastener companies moved westward to set up their factories in China and the growing potential of Chinese fastener industry, Jiancai Machinery (Shanghai) was established for providing service to Taiwanese and Chinese fastener manufacturers in China. On the other hand, noticing the advantageous location of Shanghai, Jiancai Machinery has been expanding its market in China since then.



Fastener Fair Donington, UK

Fastener Fair UK was held alternately between London and Donington and was once a well-known fastener fair in the UK. Around 75 exhibitors participated in the fair that year and exhibited their products from materials to packages. The fair that year was also open for participation of tool exhibitors for the first time, which revealed the gradual recovery of the tools and DIY products market.



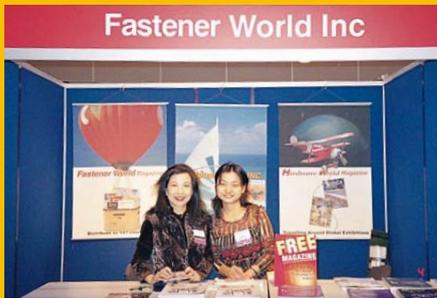
Chong Cheng Fastener Passes QS9000 Approval

Specialized in manufacturing special nuts, Chong Cheng Fastener Corp. exported 99% of its products to overseas markets at that time. For enhancing the competitive edge of the company, in Sep. 2001 Chong Cheng started the procedure of QS9000 application and was later approved by British UKAS in May 2002. Its products are mainly supplied to automotive, bikes, and construction industries.



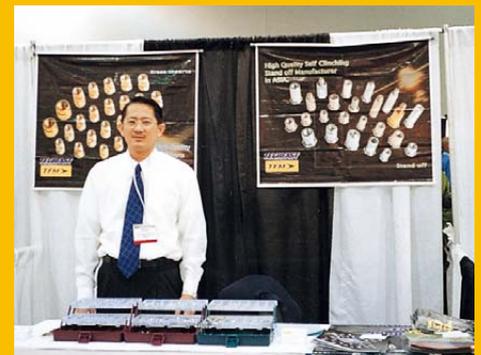
DesignBUILD Australia

Around 303 exhibitors and 17,000 visitors from 14 countries participated in the vibrant show. The idea of the organizer was to encourage the use of basic building materials to reinforce the architectural design and aesthetics. Taiwan was then the 8th largest trade partner of Australia, and both countries maintained continuous and growing trade with each other.



The 22nd National Industrial Fastener Show / East

Dubbed the first fastener show held in the world, the Show welcomed 165 exhibitors and around 1,000 visitors, who were mostly from local USA, Canada and other 12 oversea countries. Fastener World also brought Lih Ta, Chen Feng Metal, Anchor Fasteners, and Yow Chern to exhibit at the Show.





Sun Beam Tech Awarded “The 5th National Little Giant”

Using the byproduct (zinc scrap) obtained from dip spin galvanizing and pure zinc ingots to produce zinc oxide and re-processed zinc ingots, Sun Beam made its effort to solve the issue of environmental protection and increase the added value of products, for which the company won the honor of “National Little Giant Award” presented by MOEA (Taiwan).

National Hardware Show, Chicago, USA

National Hardware Show, USA was held at McCormick Place Complex, attracting 50,000 buyers in attendance and generating the estimated purchase power of USD 30 million. Exhibits of the show included hand tools, power tools, gardening tools, locks, bathroom accessories, kitchen ware, outdoor products, building materials, etc. Taking part in the Show for years, Fastener World brought a lot of Taiwanese companies to exhibit at the Show.



Wenzhou Hardware Show

151 exhibitors were present and displayed up to 1,210 types of products. In addition, more than 3,000 visitors went to the 2nd edition of Wenzhou Hardware Show.





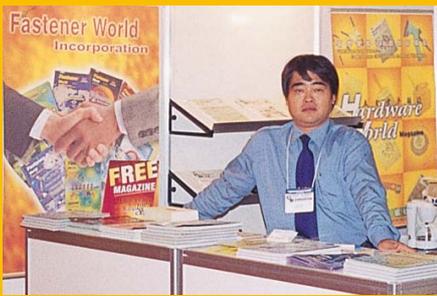
Fwu Kuang Enterprises Releases New Machine

As of 2002 Fwu Kuang had acquired 42 types of patents. The newly released innovation was- Sector Gear Transmission. High-speed forming machines installed with this type of device caused a sensation in the industry.



The 7th Brazil Int'l Hardware & DIY Trade Fair

Brazil Int'l Hardware & DIY Trade Fair took place on July 17-21, 2002 at Expo Center Norte. According to the organizer's statistics, over 600 exhibitors were mostly from Brazil, Chile, Argentina, Uruguay and other countries in South America. During the Fair, visitors could see various product categories, such as hardware, hand tools, locks, keys, fasteners, electric appliances, household products, cars, gardening products, sanitary ware, kitchen, bathroom furniture, DIY products and many others.



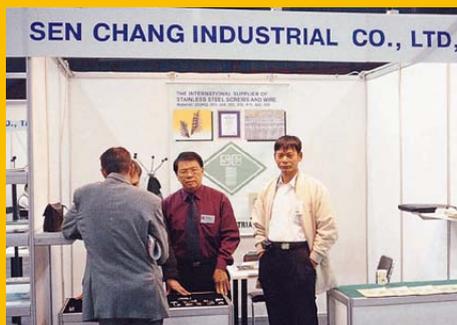
Expo Nacional Ferretera

The 14th edition of Expo Nacional Ferretera welcomed over 1,000 exhibitors and 24,000 professional visitors, most of whom were purchasers from the U.S., Costa Rica, Argentina and Mexico.



Hardware Russia

The 1st edition of Hardware Russia was held on 08/26. 14 Taiwanese companies went to exhibit at the Show. The organizer only allowed the entry of professional visitors who were decision makers of their companies into the venue, so the quality of visitors of the Show was high.





ACME Screw Industry Corp. Inaugurates New Office



China National Hardware Fair, Guangzhou

105 exhibitors were local Chinese and 8 companies were from Taiwan (including some Taiwanese companies investing in China). The number of participants was around 700-800.

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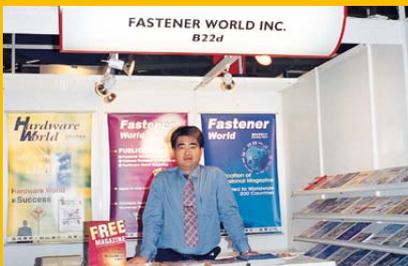
International Hardware Exhibition Ferroforma, Spain

1,150 exhibitors attended the exhibition. 52.96% of the exhibitors were from local Spain; 33.86% were from Latin America; 541 exhibitors were from other regions and countries. Some creative exhibitors even turned their booths into temporary lounge bars and invited visitors for some drinks.



Automechanika Frankfurt

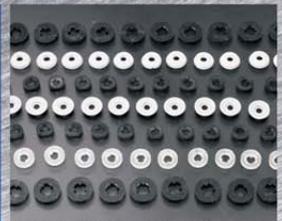
Both the numbers of exhibitors and visitors reached a new record high. 424 Taiwanese exhibitors were also present, up more than 25% from its previous year. Taiwan was the 3rd largest exhibitors group, following only after the host country Germany and Italy.



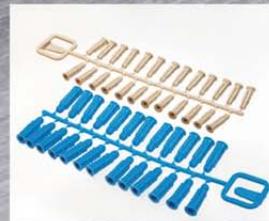
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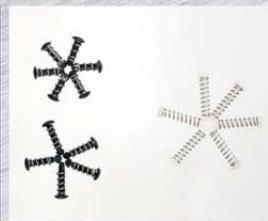
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