

New, improved Powergun a hit with maintenance operators

Macnaught's new, improved BG100 Powergun™ is making a big impression in maintenance workshops across the country.

The compact and fully portable battery-operated grease gun now pumps at 100gm.minute (free flow), almost twice as fast as the original model.

And Powergun buyers now get a spare battery pack, so lubrication work can continue while one battery is being replenished on the one-hour charger provided with the kit.

Each fully charged 12V NiCad 1300mAh battery enables the Powergun to dispense up to three 450gm cartridges at 34500kPa (5000psi, 345bar.).

Underground coal mining equipment specialist Juganaut Industries was one of the first to step up to the latest unit.

Graham Smith, Juganaut's workshop supervisor, said that three Powerguns were in use at Juganaut's Mackay, Northern Queensland, facility.

"It's a high quality, reliable unit for servicing customers' equipment and our own hire units, here as well as on-site," Mr Smith said.

"They're especially good in field servicing, where you can't always count on having an airline available for a bulk supply grease gun."

Another enthusiastic Powergun user is Scott Hargrave, Head of Maintenance at Crane Copper Tube in Penrith, western Sydney.

"It's big advantage is speed – we've cut our lubricating time by around 50 percent since we started using them," he said.

"It also helps with OH&S, which becomes an issue when you're got 40-60 nipples to do at a time."

Macnaught's Marketing Manager, Lorenzo Gella, said that cutting servicing time in half makes the Powergun a worthwhile proposition for anyone in the machinery maintenance industry.

"Saving that much time means saving a lot of money, no matter how big or small your operation is," he said.

The Powergun's light weight, compact size, one-handed trigger operation, and continuous use with no need to prime make it more convenient than traditional airline or manual grease guns, Mr Gella added.

“It’s exactly what people who have to do routine lubrication are looking for.”

The Powergun is built to operate in temperatures up to 50^oC, and its extra-long 762mm (30in.) flexible extension is ideal for reaching hard-to-get-at grease points.

If necessary, it can be connected to a bulk refilling or J2 grease pump system.

The Powergun comes with Macnaught’s unique ‘Peace of Mind’ 10-year product warranty and 10-year parts guarantee.

That’s on top of 60 years’ experience as one of Australia’s leading engineering companies, offering unmatched local design, manufacturing and service expertise.

Little wonder that the Powergun won a 2007 Australian Technology & Innovation Award from *Power Torque* magazine.

The Powergun is packed in a heavy-duty moulded carry case for safe storage and transport, and is available throughout Macnaught’s nationwide network of over 2,000 resellers.

For more information on the BG100 Powergun or any of Macnaught’s range of lubrication equipment, flow meters and hose reels, phone toll-free 1800 185 102 or visit www.macnaught.com.au.

Background

Macnaught Pty Ltd, based at Turrella in Sydney, has been a leading designer and manufacturer of lubrication and fluid management solutions since 1948.

The company supplies a comprehensive range of lubrication equipment, flow meters and hose reels.

Its products are used widely in the mining, agriculture, transport and general engineering industries, in Australia and more than 60 countries worldwide.

Macnaught is the only lubrication equipment supplier in Australia with local design, manufacturing and testing capabilities.

In addition to the Powergun’s Australian Technology and Innovation Award, Macnaught has won three Australian National Export Awards and two Australian Design Council Awards.