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Hunter has record show at SEMA 2014!

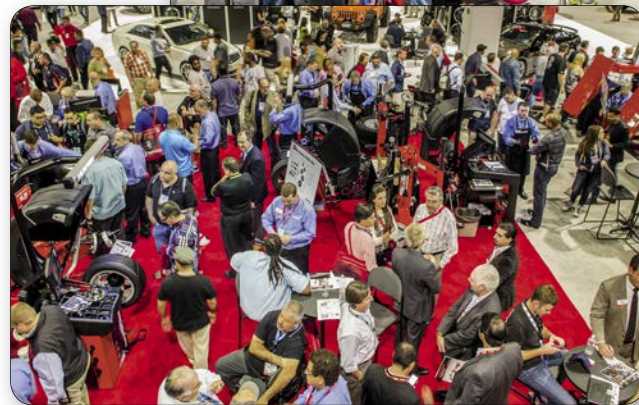
In November, Hunter displayed every major product at the SEMA show in Las Vegas, including the new Quick Tread™ drive over tread depth system. The Velocity Channel, SPEED Network, Bloomberg News and others came to the booth to report on the new Quick Tread unit and other new products.

Thousands of visitors from around the world came to Hunter's booth to see live demonstrations of Hunter's latest product line. Several new Hunter innovations debuted at the show included Hunter's new four-post lift family, new TC3900, TC3700 and TCX625HD tire changers and new balancer collet kits.

2014 marks Hunter's eighteenth year exhibiting at SEMA. Starting from a 20'x20' booth, Hunter's presence has grown to 50'x140'. Today, Hunter operates the largest non-OE booth at SEMA.



Above: Hunter's new Quick Tread drive over tread depth unit attracted huge crowds for every demonstration.



Left: Hunter's full line of wheel balancers and tire changers were among the most popular equipment Hunter demoed at SEMA



Hunter had one of the largest booths at SEMA and customers from around the world saw live demonstrations of Hunter's latest products around the clock.

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Hunter Canada builds new headquarters in Aurora, Ontario!



Guests at the grand opening celebration watch a demo of Hunter's industry-leading Quick Check vehicle inspection system.

In August, Hunter Canada moved to a new headquarters building in Aurora, Ontario, outside Toronto. The new facility is more than four times larger than the previous Newmarket facility and now provides full factory-level support to Canada.

Aurora headquarters houses a full showroom featuring Hunter's latest product line, and multiple annexes with Hunter's award-winning Quick Check® systems, full line of tire changers and Road Force® Touch diagnostic wheel balancers.

The building also offers meeting rooms and classrooms to host businesses and distributors from across the country.

Hunter Director of Canadian Operations, Darcy Tallon, notes, "Our new headquarters gives us more opportunity for closer and more frequent interactions with our partners, and to demonstrate our products. We are fully invested in the success of our Canadian customers."



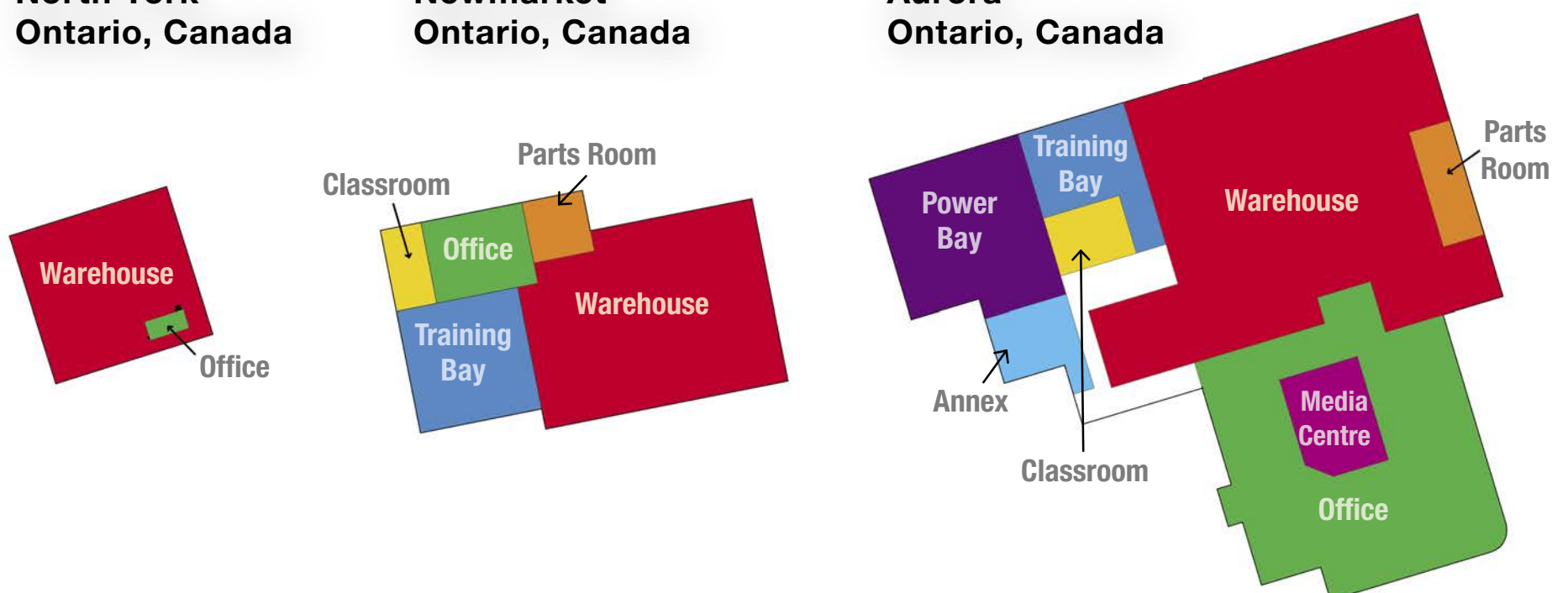
Hunter Canada and Hunter Executive members including VP Sales John Zentz (far right) in the new Aurora headquarters showroom.

Full factory-level support now offered in Canada

1979–1980
North York
Ontario, Canada

1986-2002
Newmarket
Ontario, Canada

2014-Present
Aurora
Ontario, Canada



Raymond, MS plant completes 66,000 square foot expansion!

Completed in August of 2014, Hunter's Raymond, MS manufacturing plant expansion added 66,000 square feet to bring the total facility size to over 200,000 square feet.

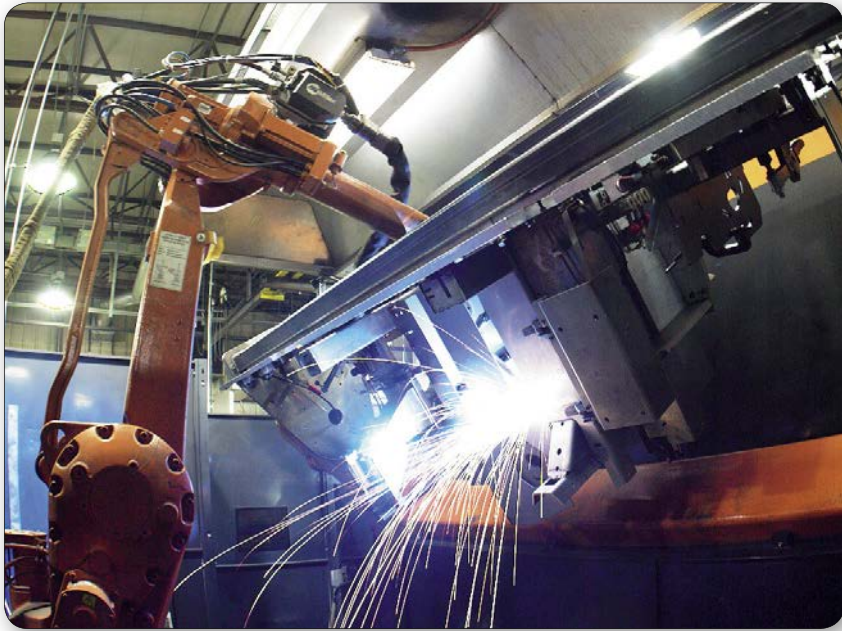
Both the Metal Fabrication plant and the Electronics plant on the Raymond campus were expanded. The Electronics plant was relocated to an entirely new building.

During the expansion, new equipment was added including a fiber optic laser cutting system, new material handling system, new robotic welding cells and additional equipment for placing components on PC boards.

Hunter Vice President of Manufacturing, Bill Luehm, states, "The expansion of the Raymond plant allows Hunter to incorporate the latest technologies and provide additional capacity for our growing business."



A laser cutter in Hunter's Raymond plant cuts aluminum for Road Force balancer load rollers.



A new robotic welding arm welds steel balancer bodies.



Hunter's Raymond plant's large Quality Department ensures the continued excellence of Hunter products.



Hunter Chairman Stephen F. Brauer (middle) at Raymond's ribbon cutting ceremony on August 6, 2014.



Hunter's Revolution tire changer is built from start to finish in the Raymond, MS plant.



Hunter balancers are also manufactured at the Raymond, MS plant.

Revolution™ tire changer wins three major industry awards!



Hunter's Manager of R&D Engineering, Mike Gerdes (left), accepts the Top 20 Tools Award and the PTEN Innovation and People's Choice Awards.



Hunter's Revolution™, the first fully automatic tire changer designed and built in the USA, has received three of the industry's most prestigious awards: MOTOR Magazine's Top 20 Tools Award, Professional Tool & Equipment's Innovation Award and Professional Tool & Equipment's People's Choice Award.

2014 marks Hunter's sixteenth MOTOR Top 20 Tools Award, which is given to tools and equipment that help technicians diagnose and repair vehicles correctly the first time.

Professional Tool & Equipment's (PTEN) Innovation Awards recognize those outstanding companies whose products respond to the automotive repair industry's challenges with creativity and innovation. The Revolution was described as "simply the most amazing thing to hit tire replacement since the GSP9700" by PTEN Judges.

For the first time ever, PTEN also asked readers to weigh in on the recipients of their Innovation Awards and select the top 25 products to receive their People's Choice Award. Hunter's Revolution tire changer met all of the reader guidelines for this award, including "a new or ingenious product that really saves time."



Left: Hunter Representative Mike Koman demonstrates the Revolution for a crowd at SEMA 2014.



Durant, MS plant ships 20,000th RX lift rack!

On September 15, Hunter's Durant, MS plant shipped the 20,000th RX scissor lift rack. Hunter's RX scissor lift rack family features 10,000-, 12,000- and 16,000-lb capacity lifts with best-in-class drive-on height and industry-leading features.

Hunter's new patented swing air jacks make vehicle service easier with lower clearance height, a 6-inch wider reach and many other productivity improving features.



Durant, MS plant workers pose in front of the 20,000th RX lift rack. The special unit was shipped to Toyota Logistics in San Antonio, TX.

New! L451 four-post lift enhancements!

Building on Hunter's previous generation four-post lift family, new generation four-post lifts are now available in long or standard runway length, open or closed configurations to accommodate all shop needs.

New generation four-post lifts also feature an integrated power unit with an easy-to-use console. Optional features, including PowerSlide and Inflation Station, are controlled from a user-friendly console.



New generation four-post lift with open front and long wheelbase.



Long wheelbase, closed front option.



Standard wheelbase, open front option.



Standard wheelbase, closed front option.

Pep Boys holds National Meetings at Hunter's Bridgeton, MO headquarters



Pep Boys Division Vice Presidents present best practices to Pep Boys Store Managers.



In September, Pep Boys held their National Meetings at Hunter's Bridgeton, MO headquarters. Pep Boys used Hunter's classroom and annex facilities to educate over 300 Store Managers and counter personnel on customer satisfaction and vehicle inspection practices.

Pep Boys VP Store Operations, Chris Adams, notes "Hunter Engineering's corporate facility was our venue of choice for a very important national roll-out meeting with our field management. Hunter previously hosted one of our meetings in 2009 and did an outstanding job. Their facilities, expertise and cooperation are exceptional. It was also a plus for travel being centrally located in the country."

Hunter and Pep boys have had a relationship for nearly 35 years. Pep Boys operates 800 locations in the United States that offer full-service vehicle maintenance and repair capabilities.



Hunter's many classrooms, complete with the latest in audiovisual technology, were used to accommodate nearly 300 Pep Boys Store Managers.



Pep boys also used Hunter's showrooms for meetings on customer engagement.

Hunter visitors

Uftring Automotive Group



Representatives from Uftring Automotive Group visited Bridgeton to learn about the latest technology from Hunter. Leading their visit was Hunter Chicago Region Manager **Pat Horn** (far left), Hunter Director of Training **Tom Settle** (2nd from left) and Hunter Representative **Reese Henschen** (4th from left).

Garber Automotive Group



Pictured from left: Hunter Director of Training **Tom Settle**, Garber Honda Service Director **Billy Buechel**, Sunrise Chevrolet Service Director **Jeff Hrubec** and Hunter OEM Account Manager and Detroit Region Manager **Jeff Russell**.

Sheehy Automotive Group



Pictured from left: Hunter Director of Training **Tom Settle**, Sheehy Director of Fixed Operations **Gary Letkemann**, Sheehy Fixed Operations Manager **Scott Baker**, Hunter Representative **Paul Acito, Jr.** and Hunter Washington, D.C. Region Manager **Pete Loglisci**.

STS



Pictured from left: Hunter Director of Training **Tom Settle**, STS Director of Operations **Mark Boswell** and Hunter Northeast Division Manager **Doug Woolverton**.

Seneca Industries



Seneca Industries came to Hunter's headquarters to stay current on Hunter's latest product releases. Leading their visit was Hunter Chairman **Stephen F. Brauer** (2nd from right), Hunter Central Division Manager **Larry Watson** (far left) and Hunter Minneapolis Region Manager **Mike Healey** (2nd from left).

Northstar Manufacturing



Pictured from left: Hunter Senior Product Manager **Kaleb Silver**, Northstar Manufacturing Product Design & Technical Services **Shawn Miller**, and Northstar Manufacturing Vice President **John Ryshavy**.

Hunter visitors

Plaza Tire Service



*Pictured from left: Plaza Tire Service President **Mark Rhodes**, Plaza Tire Service Area Supervisor **Jim McWilliams**, Plaza Tire Service Area Supervisor **Steve Vaugh**, Plaza Tire Service Area Supervisor **Jim Madonna** and Hunter Central Division Manager **Larry Watson**.*

Champion Tire



*Pictured from left: Champion Tire & Wheel Owner **Kevin Mahl**, Champion Tire & Wheel Director of Engineering **Albert Brunner**, Hunter Charlotte Region Manager **Curtis Hodges** and Champion Tire & Wheel Owner **Jamie Rolewicz**.*

Asbury Automotive Group



*Representatives from Asbury Automotive Group visited Hunter's Bridgeton headquarters to witness live product demonstrations. Leading their visit was Hunter Executive Vice President **Beau Brauer** (far right) and Hunter Southeast Division Manager **Erwin Vandeman** (far left).*

Hendrick Automotive Group



*Charlotte-based Hendrick Automotive Group came to Hunter to see new products. Leading their visit was Hunter VP Sales **John Zentz** (far right), Hunter Director of Training **Tom Settle** (2nd from right), Hunter Southeast Division Manager **Erwin Vandeman** (4th from right) and Hunter Charlotte Region Manager **Curtis Hodges** (4th from left).*

West Herr



*Pictured from left: Hunter Pittsburgh Region Manager **Ed Maron**, West Herr Director of Service Operations **Jay Galligan**, West Herr Director of Fixed Operations **Ben Kicinski** and Hunter Director of Training **Tom Settle**.*

Christian Brothers



*Pictured from left: Christian Brothers Director of Purchasing **Rick McRae**, Hunter Houston Region Manager **Bill Wilson**, Christian Brothers Senior Vice President **Rod Marcotte** and Hunter Central Division Manager **Larry Watson**.*

Hunter visitors

Jaguar Land-Rover



Pictured from left: Hunter New York Region Manager **Jim DeLeo**, Jaguar Land Rover Manager - Service Engineering Support Essential Tools & Equipment **Scott Tucker** and Hunter Director of Training **Tom Settle**.

Auffenberg Dealer Group



Auffenberg Dealer Group visited Hunter's Bridgeton headquarters to witness live equipment demonstrations. Their visit was hosted by Central Division Manager **Larry Watson** (far left), Hunter Representative **Craig Kohler** (2nd from right) and Hunter Director of Training **Tom Settle** (far right).

Provac



Hunter's French distributors, Provac, visited Bridgeton to become familiar with Hunter's newest products. Leading their visit was Hunter VP International **Wes Wingo** (middle) Hunter International Region Manager **Tom Ksiazek** (far right) and Hunter Heavy-Duty Market Manager **Justin Gonzalez** (far left).

Pro-Align



Hunter's British distributor, Pro-Align, came to Hunter's headquarters for hands-on equipment training. Leading their visit was Hunter International Region Manager **Tom Ksiazek** (far right).

Kumho Tire



South Korea's Kumho Tire visited Bridgeton to witness Hunter's full line of tire changers and wheel balancers in action. Leading their visit was Hunter International Region Manager **Alan Kennedy** (far left) and Hunter VP International **Wes Wingo** (far right).

WD Co-Auto



Pictured from left: Hunter Director of Canadian Operations **Darcy Tallon**, WD Co-Auto President **Mike Reid**, WD Co-Auto VP Operations **Braedon Worobetz**, WD Co-Auto Sales Manager **Bruce Lyons**, Hunter Western Canada Region Manager **Greg Amyotte** and Hunter Director of Training **Tom Settle**.

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