

Greatest Moments to Remember: Fastener World in 1st Half of 2001

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In the 1st half of 2001, several fastener companies set up new factories or developed new machines. Some fastener associations and institutes also welcomed new chairmen, transformed into corporations or gave members meetings, making 2001 a vibrant year for the industry. In addition, Taiwan held its first edition of trade show for hardware and home appliances, while public media were also broadcasting the emergence of e-commerce. In 2001, we saw an epoch in the history of Taiwanese fastener industry.

Taiwan Industrial Fasteners Institute (TIFI) Held the 12th Members Meeting

The 12th TIFI members meeting was held at Chientan Youth Activity Center (Taipei), attracting nearly 250 members in attendance, including the then TIFI chairman (Mr. John Wu), then Taiwan CSC general manager, and then director of Industry Development Bureau of Ministry of Economic Affairs (Taiwan), who announced news of benefits for Taiwanese fastener industry.



Taiwan Fastener Trading Companies Association (Now TFTA) Paid a Visit to Southeast Asia

The then TFTA chairman Vincent Lue organized during his tenure the last delegation to visit 6 Taiwanese-invested fastener companies in Thailand and Malaysia. He called upon his industry peers to beware of the international market changes and the influences Taiwan Government's policies might cause to the fastener industry and make preparations for possible future changes.



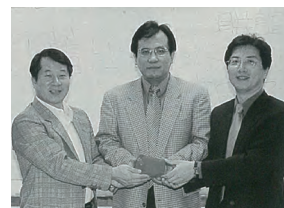
Taiwan Bolt Club Elected First Chairman

Taiwan Bolt Club was renamed to Fastener Industry Development Promotion Association of R.O.C. (Taiwan) on April 6th, 2001 and Mr. Lin Zing-Tsuen was elected the first chairman.



Zephyr Chang was Elected Chairman of Taiwan Fastener Trading Companies Association (TFTCA)

TFTCA held the chairman handover on March 8, 2001. Witnessed by TFTCA founder chairman Mr. James Su, the position of TFTCA chairman was officially handed over from Mr. Vincent Lue to Mr. Zephyr Chang. The new chairman, Mr. Zephyr Chang hoped that the number of members could increase to 80 and become a corporate organization.



Taiwan Fastener Trading Companies Association Held First Chairman Cup Golf Games

On May 9th 2001, TFTCA held the 1st Chairman Cup golf games.



China, S. Korea and Taiwan Fastener Industries Conference was Held in Shanghai

On June 8, 2001, China, S. Korea and Taiwan Fastener Industries Conference took place in Shanghai. The then TIFI chairman John Wu brought a delegation of 23 representatives to participate in the grand event.



Rodex Fasteners Held a Corporate Conference Before Becoming an OTC Traded Company

At the end of Dec. 2000, Rodex Fasteners held a corporate conference before becoming an OTC traded company, making it the 5th Taiwanese fastener-related company successfully traded over-the-counter.





Gwo Lian Machinery Released a New Environment Friendly Combined Descaling Machine

On Dec. 28-29, 2000, Gwo Lian Machinery held an open house activity for its new products. The machine released could help reduce the use of hydrochloric acid and diminish the impact on the environment.



Cheng Ta Toolings Metal New Plant Inauguration & 20th Anniversary

The plant located in Gangshan (Kaohsiung) spans the area of nearly 4,000 sqm with up to 60 employees. At that time, Cheng Ta also had a branch in Dongguan and planned to set up another plant in Shanghai, making it a very well-established big company.



Lian Her Screws & Hardware New Manufacturing Site Inauguration

Lian Her Screws & Hardware added a new complex building that combined wholesale logistics and administration on Yenping Rd. of Taipei City, accelerating shipments, increasing competitiveness and transforming from a domestic-sales company into an export-oriented company.



First Fastener Expo New Delhi Held in India

The first edition of 4-day Fastener Expo took place at Pragati Maidan on Dec. 3rd, 2000, attracting the attendance of more than 30 thousand visitors. Companies brought by Fastener World Inc. (incl. Homn Reen, Ray Fu, etc.) were also present at Taiwan Pavilion.



National Industrial Fastener Show/West

In Nov. 2000, more than 500 companies went to exhibit at National Industrial Fastener Show/West, the then world's largest fastener show. Fastener World also brought 22 Taiwanese companies to exhibit.



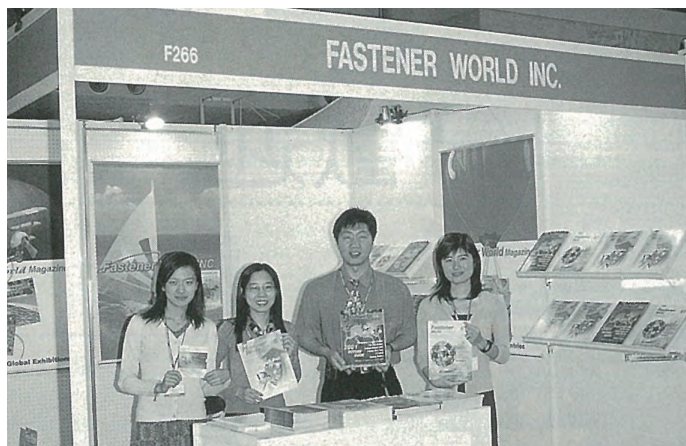
Yoang Ming Moved to New Plant

General manager M.J. Yang determined to set up a new plant at the cost of more than NT\$ 60 million at Changhua Coastal Park due to its complete satellite supply chain and convenient location.



First Taipei International Hardware & Home Appliances Show Held at Taipei World Trade Center

On May 3-5, 2001, the first edition of Taipei International Hardware & Home Appliances Show was held at Taipei World Trade Center. 94 Taiwanese exhibitors were present to showcase their products and more than 2,500 visitors visited the show.



The 21st Edition National Industrial Fastener Show/Columbus

The 21st edition of National Industrial Fastener Show/Columbus was held on May 21-22, 2001, attracting 1,272 exhibitors to exhibit their products. Many exhibitors appreciated the specialty of the show and expressed their interest in re-attending the event.



Hardware & Tools Exhibition, Dubai

This trade show was held by EPOC at Dubai World Trade Centre and was only open to industry professionals. With 13 ports, Dubai is quite a convenient trade location. The Middle East is also one of the interesting markets many fastener companies would like to tap into.



The 1st Industrial Fastener & Forming International in Cleveland

The Industrial Fastener & Forming International took place on June 5-7, 2001. The participants in this grand event included several Taiwanese exhibitors brought by Fastener World Inc.

