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business. Ever resourceful, it was soon 'business as usual' and plans were swiftly established for the larger, more modern facility.

The company has featured consistently in these pages throughout PPM's five-year existence and in this current issue makes an appearance as a valued sponsor of the Gold Pack Awards (see page 36).

Rototec unites Apple Die and RotoControl

In our second issue, breaking news was the establishment of Apple Die South Africa under the auspices of TEC (The Engraving Company) in Cape Town. The next chapter in that story occurred in 2009, with the establishment of a JV between Michael Aengenvoort and TEC's Antron Hendricks, and the formation of a new company called Rototec.

Rototec had two aims – to continue under-licence production of Apple Die's magnetic flexible dies as an adjunct to TEC's traditional business of producing solid rotary cutting dies for the narrow-web label printing sector; and to act as the local distributor for RotoControl, a company launched in Germany by Michael's son, Marco, to produce high-speed inspection, cutting and rewinding finishing machines for the labelling industry – sales of which have grown by leaps and bounds in South Africa.

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Michael Aengenvoort and Antron Hendricks (pictured above) comment: 'Rototec was established to bring together our two very successful operations with more than 30 years' experience in precision engraving, die sinking and finishing machine technology. We're now approaching our third thriving year of operation and still hold to our initial commitment to supply customers with tooling and finishing machines of uncompromising quality, unbeatable value and dependability, plus great customer service.'

Too many to mention . . .

Among the long list of advertisers in PPM's first issue were WH Rosenmeyer, RAP Products International and Pyrotec . . . with all of whose proprietors we've enjoyed exceptionally cordial relations over many, many years – stretching back long before the launch of PPM.

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