



The name "Pinkpop" is a combination of the English word "pink" and the Dutch word "pop", which means doll, and is the origin for the logo, a doll in a pink dress.

Grundfos delivered a reliable water supply and wastewater removal for 40,000 guests to a well known festival.

For festival guests, one colour is readily associated with international top bands and a fantastic festival: namely pink. Each year, over 60,000 music lovers gather in The Netherlands for the three-day Pinkpop Festival.

This year, the task of maintaining the correct water pressure and wastewater removal for the 40,000 guests staying at the free camping sites and the many bars and kitchens was entrusted to Grundfos.

Situation

The people behind the Pinkpop festival basically had two requirements for the pump systems: reliability and user-friendliness. Since there was no time to test the pump installations, they relied on the cooperation between W.T.L. Ltd. (Water Technique on Location) and Grundfos.

The Grundfos solution

Pressure boosting: The water supply system contained over 2.8 km of temporary pipelines, almost 300 showers, and over 800 toilets. Three Grundfos CR 45/2 in-line pumps formed the core of the pressure boosting solution for the potable water system, where approximately 2,500 m³ of water were consumed during the festival.

Wastewater: 12 wastewater storage tanks with AVD mixers collected the wastewater and 17 Grundfos SEG sewage grinder pumps ensured proper treatment and removal of the wastewater from the festival areas. A large Grundfos SE1 guaranteed reliable back up during peak periods.

The outcome

According to John van den Hurk, Managing Director, WTL Water Technique on Location, time is an important factor at festivals: "there's no facility for testing under these circumstances; the pumps simply have to work. And they did".

At the same time: "There's no room for faulty wastewater pumps during the festival." Holding up pieces of rubber, plastic and stone, he finishes: "These pumps really eat everything".

Grundfos supplied
 3 Grundfos CR in-line pumps
 18 Grundfos SEG/SE1 wastewater pumps
 12 AVD mixers