



Everyone knows that it is essential to have 'the right tools for the right job'. Alban Cases decided to put this into practice when looking to purchase the latest design and sampling technology from AG/CAD. 'To supply such a comprehensive product range within the packaging industry, it is paramount to keep up with our customers demands' states Andrew Jackman (Owner) 'We needed to find a solution which was not only right for the application but within an affordable price range'.

Alban Cases based in Luton, Bedfordshire, are suppliers of wooden crates, corrugated packaging and foam inserts, utilising all of these applications to ensure the safe carriage of

any give product. And with over 50 years experience within the design team they can give the very best to their customers whether the project is ongoing or just a 'one off', and from the very basic to the most complicated.

With the installation of the KASEMAKE software and a KM626H cutting table, Alban have been able to increase productivity in the design studio, not only giving the customer the benefit of upgrading to a faster and more efficient sample / design service, but allowing the designers time to develop their ideas giving the best solution to the project at hand. Not only have Alban enhanced their design capabilities and customer service, but have been able to expand as a business, 'The KASEMAKE system has allowed Alban Cases growth into the corrugated industry. We do not only supply the wooden outer crate; we can now offer the full solution giving our customers one port of call for all their shipping needs' states Dave Oakley - Design.

Using the KASEMAKE design software, the designers can bring a design from the given brief on to the screen within minuets. With drawing tools specially developed for the packaging industry, bespoke designs are easily drawn, modified and sampled. The designer can utilise the drawing tools to their own style with the fully customisable environment. Standard designs are produced even quicker by using the extensive parametric libraries. Dave explains, 'All I have to do is choose the style, enter the given length, width and depth, select the board profile and run the parametric. And there you have it, the design on screen.'

The KM626H is a high performance cutting table ideal for the corrugated industry, with a cutting area of 2500x1600mm it matches all of the conversion machinery in the production area. Versatile cutting and creasing tools give a 'die cut quality' samples by employing three tooling stations, an electric oscillating knife with a choice of blades to suit a multitude of substrates, a tangentially controlled cut / crease station which is provided with a variety of interchangeable large diameter creasing wheels, and a multi functional tool which allows for pen plotting, scoring and kiss-cutting.

Alban Cases are utilising the KM626H capabilities by not only producing prototype samples, but are running shot run production. Without the need of a die, production can start immediately after sign-off by the customer so no time is wasted, and no extra cost.

Andrew explains, "Having increased our design capacity, we are able to provide an improved service facility to our customers and relieve some of the pressure on design services. Our customers recognise the importance of quality design, never more so seen in our response to the demand of bespoke designs. Our new facility has been a solid investment for the future of the business."