U.K. DEBUT FOR NEW TORO TROJAN Mk 3

INTERNATIONAL attention is focussed on the latest triple-rotary riding machine for continuous heavy duty grasscutting at the Institute of Park and Recreation Administration exhibition. Known as the Toro Mk 3, it has been introduced by The Institutional Division of Flymo Limited and will make its exhibition debut at Victoria Park, Hackney on 24th/25th May.

The Trojan Mk 3 has a 60 in. cut and replaces the Trojan 50 in. Mk 2 model which has established a favourable reputation with local authorities and other large institutional users since it was introduced to the U.K. in 1970. The Trojans are particularly useful in situations with rugged grasscutting requirements.

The new model incorporates a number of additional advantages with three, 21 in. heat-treated rotary blades providing a 60 in. cut under the heavy duty 10 gauge steel cutter housing. With a more powerful, 14 hp Kohler engine, the Mk 3 has a capacity of 15 acres per day at 3.5 mph compared with 12 acres for the 50 in. version. Four-speed gear transmission is from 6 mph to 5.2 mph. Recoil start is standard.

A detachable sulky provides compact storage as well as enabling pedestrian operation of the machine in restricted or difficult areas, if required.

The Toro Trojan Mk 3 will cost £948.

Other equipment on the Flymo stand at the I.P.R.A. exhibition will be diesel and petrol-engined Parkmasters for cutting up to 60 acres a day; the Toro Super Professional ride-on gang mower with capacity of up to 46 acres per day for the 11 ft. version; five and seven-blade Spartan gang units, and the versatile Toro 70in. Professional for large, formal areas. The 28 in. Roughmaster, from Morrison in New Zealand, will also be seen for the first time in a new, distinctive red livery.

FLYMO INTRODUCE POWER RAKE HIRE SCHEME

PROBLEMS ASSOCIATED with the accumulation of thatch – cut roots, stems and grass clippings which have not been decomposed – have been overcome with the introduction of a scheme for hire of a power rake.

The rake, known as the Andi-Scari Power Rake and marketed exclusively in the U.K. by the Consumer Division of Flymo Limited, Watford, removes thatch and allows the growth of fine new lawn grasses by preventing the breeding of insects and fungus in the thatch which destroy existing grass.

Depth of penetration can be varied to suit prevailing conditions by simple adjustment on the front wheel assembly. The unit is compact and can be easily lifted into the boot of the average saloon car for transportation.

The hire scheme is limited initially to the southern part of England. Daily rate of hire is between £3.00 and £4.50 and the rake will be available through Flymo Authorised Distributors and Dealers.

The rake, manufactured by Andrews of Hindhead (Developments) Limited, Surrey, has a width of 14 in., a rotor of 17 spring-tensioned swinging steel blades and is powered by an Aspera four-stroke petrol engine with pull-up recoil starter.

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Flymo have produced an excellent booklet on the place of the man and machine in modern golf course management. It is very well illustrated and will interest casual readers as well as the expert. Copies can be obtained free of charge from Flymo Ltd., Watford, Herts.