Emphasis on service and stores' activities is planned with the creation of Toro (London) Sales & Service to assist golf clubs and local authorities in London and the Home Counties solve their grasscutting problems.

The organisation has been created within Toro (U.K.) Sales & Service, a new division of Flymo Limited.

It will retail, service and repair the comprehensive range of high work-rate Toro grasscutting equipment now available in the United Kingdom.

A strong management team mainly recruited from within the Watford-based Toro (London) operation. These moves have been supported by expansion of workshop and servicing staff and facilities.

Announcing the new structure, Mr. B. C. Jennings, General Manager of Toro (U.K.) Sales & Service said there will also be continued development of the previous policy of appointing carefully-selected service dealers for field service and repair work further to complement the Watford-based operation.

John Andrew becomes Service Manager of the new London organisation, with David Berrow as Stores Controller. Tony Snaith continues as Field Service Supervisor, John Holding is appointed Sales Administration Officer, and Tim Pain becomes Service Administration Officer.

Hugh MacGillivray, former Course Manager of Rowlands Castle Golf
Club, has been appointed Turf Care Specialist following the departure of Ivan Brown on an overseas’ appointment.

In recently announcing their change of Company title, CHIPMAN LIMITED referred to their diversification into Turf Management products and Contract activities.

They now confirm that following successful negotiations with Cambridge Soil Services Ltd., they will be featuring in their Turf Drainage Services the Cambridge Triple Sand Injection machine which recently secured the Gold Medal “Best Introduction of the Year” award at Mottspur Park. These machines will be exclusively available to CHIPMAN for use on Government and Local Authority Contracts, also for deployment by both them and Cambridge Soil Services Ltd., on Golf Courses and private Sports Grounds.

The contract service CHIPMAN intend offering will incorporate a full range of turf maintenance activities aided by experienced technical representation, the latest recommendations relative to the nutritional requirements of turf and the more recent discoveries arising from the scientific analysis of soils. These will include the application of herbicides, insecticides, fungicides, wormkillers, fertilisers, lawn sand and top dressings, the undertaking of hollow tining and scarifying, and the carrying out of surface and sub-surface drainage on established turf.

The 29th International Groundsmen’s Exhibition for 1974 will be moved forward by one week. The three-day Show, which attracted just on 40,000 visitors in 1973, will now run from September 10th to 12th, 1974. In order to cater for the larger attendance expected there is a possibility that the opening hours will be extended.

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