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RANSOMES GOLF CLINIC SUCCESS

A series of two training courses run by Bill Beveridge, sales manager of Ransomes Grass Machinery (Scotland) Ltd., and technical representative George Brown for greenkeepers and golf course operators proved most successful with over 60 people taking part.

The clinics were held at Oatridge College of Agriculture, Edinburgh, and at the F. E. Centre of Horticulture, Woodburn House, Glasgow.

Topics covered were use and maintenance of Ransomes specialised golf course equipment, including the Tournament Triplex and Auto Certes greens mowers and gang mowers. Those attending were also shown Ransomes well-known film “The Royal and Ancient Game”.

The Front Cover shows participants at the Glasgow Clinic watching George Brown demonstrate maintenance work on the Ransomes-Hahn Tournament Triplex.

NON-MERCURIAL MOSSKILLER R FROM CIBA-GEIGY

Extensive research by Ciba-Geigy has led to the introduction of a non-mercurial moss killer which sets new standards for moss control in sports and amenity turf.

Ciba-Geigy Mosskiller is claimed to meet the two main requirements for moss control in fine grasses—selectivity, and safety to the user, the public and the environment. The product is cleared through the Government’s Pesticide Safety Precaution Scheme.

Trials with the new product have shown that moss is effectively controlled from either spring or autumn application—without any temporary or residual damage to the grass, while grass growth is encouraged by tonic properties contained in the product.

Moss killer is sold as a wettable powder for application by power or knapsack sprayer, or watering can be fitted with a fine rose or dribble bar. Because it is applied as a spray, a more even treatment than is sometimes possible with dry applications can be achieved.

Ciba-Geigy Mosskiller is packed in 1kg cartons sufficient for 556 sq. m. (672 sq. yd.) at a retail price of £9.75 per kg.

Rates for application:

Power Spray: 18.0 kg per hectare (16lb per acre) in 500 litres of water per hectare (50 gal per acre).

Knapsack Sprayer: 180 g per 100 sq. m. (1lb 5 oz per 400 sq. yd.) in 6 litres per 100 sq. m. (4 gal. per 400 sq. yd.)

Watering can fitted with fine rose: 9 g per 5 sq. m. (½oz per 15 sq. yd.) in 4 litres of water per 5 sq. m. (2 gal. per 15 sq. yd.)

Patches of uncontrolled moss show up clearly alongside an area treated with Ciba-Geigy Mosskiller. The product contains tonic properties which encourage growth of grass.