

## People, Places, Products

Richard Walne, former technical field representative at TORO UK, has been appointed international product development manager and is now based in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Educated in Ipswich and Felixstowe, Richard is married to Annette with daughters Karen and Rebecca. Prior to his appointment with TORO in 1979, he worked for Ransomes.



Richard Walne.

The new general manager of Mowing Machine Maintenance of Wath on Dearne is Roy Stinton. He moves from Ransomes, who recently acquired the South Yorkshire-based company.

Roy started his career with Ransomes in the laboratory where he subsequently became chief metallurgist. For the past ten years, he was general works manager and had previously

been manager of the forge and press shop.

Roy, 54, and wife Josephine will be living in Mexborough.

An Atco gangmower used to prepare the Muirfield fairways for the Open brought this praise from head greenkeeper David Kirkcaldy.

"The Gangmaster provided a



Roy Stinton.

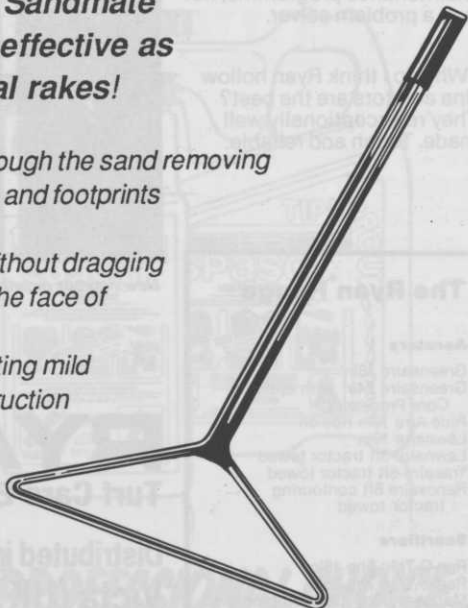
first-class finish, even on high undulating ground and under wet conditions. I particularly like the front and rear rollers and the calibrated height of cut adjustment. The unit is also simple to maintain and adjust and easy to store and transport."

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Jacobsen Turf Equipment's Racine, Wisconsin headquarters recently launched a new triplex. The Tri-King 1471 riding reel

mower is designed to provide efficient mowing of formal turf areas in an economical machine. Hydraulic drive, aircraft yoke-type steering, a foot-operated hydraulic reel lift with automatic start/stop and a 71in cutting width are the main features.

The 1471 from Jacobsen.



A new nine-strong range of lawn and amenity grass seed mixtures has been introduced by Hunters of Chester.

Topping the range is Supreme, a 70-30 blend of Waldorf chewings fescue and Highland brown top bent, which has been designed to produce 'county' standard golf and bowling greens and cricket squares. For the same purpose, there's Sovereign, a mixture of Barfalla chewings fescue, Boreal creeping red fescue, Poa pratensis and Highland brown top bent.

For use on golf tees, the Sports mixture contains smooth stalk meadow grass, Waldorf chewings fescue, Ensylva creeping red fescue and Highland brown top bent.

The sports section of the new range is completed by Outfields, a general purpose playing fields mixture containing Sprinter perennial ryegrass, Cascade chewings fescue, Boreal creeping red fescue and Highland brown top bent, and two cost effective outfields mixtures.

For further information, contact Peter Hunter on 0244 47574 or Brian Hunter on 0422 823787.

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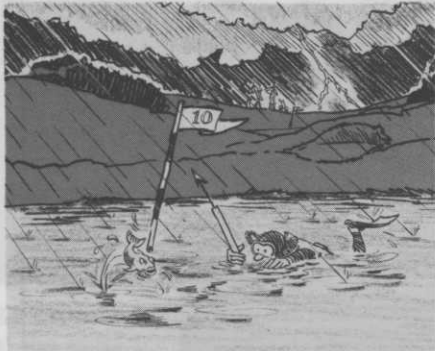
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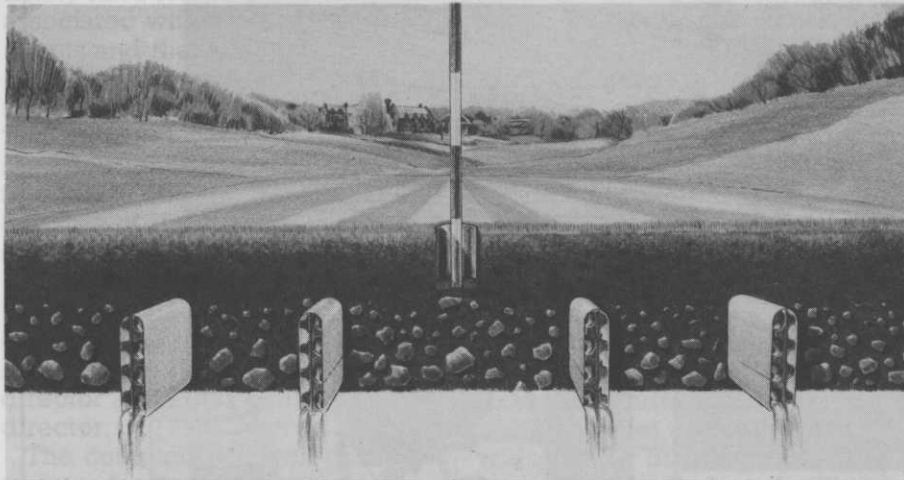
As part of their campaign to promote Hitek Fin Drains for golf courses, BTR Landscaper are offering clubs the opportunity to win a sponsorship deal for a monthly medal competition.

The campaign, commencing in August, will include a programme of mailings direct to clubs. The object is to introduce

the Fin Drain concept into this country, following its success in Australia where it was developed.

Clubs are being offered a free drainage survey by BTR Landscaper and the names of every club accepting this free invitation will be entered into the draw. Ten winning clubs will be given the sponsorship package, which includes a BTR Landscaper Trophy, together with a replica, plus prizes of £25, £20 and £14 for the first, second and third prize-winners.

Full information on the Fin Drain system, together with how to enter your club into the sponsorship draw, are available from Richard Ellison-Smith at BTR Landscaper, PO Box 3, Centurion Way, Farington, Preston PR5 2RE. Tel: 0772 421711.



Top: a course flooded continually is no joke... Above: a cross-section of a Hitek Fin Drain.

## Birdies For Wildlife

A charity pro-am aims to raise more than £20,000 to help safeguard the Cheshire countryside. The event, staged by Altrincham-based Tryangle Management International on behalf of the Cheshire Nature Conservation Trust, has set a £675,000 target as its contribution to the Royal Society for Nature Conservation's British Wildlife Appeal.

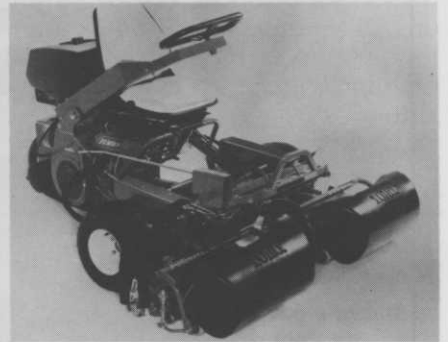
The pro-am takes place on September 28 at Dunham Forest and it is hoped that 90 amateurs will partner some 30 of Europe's

top professional women golfers, including Laura Davies, Dale Reid, Cathy Panton and Liselotte Neumann.

The British Wildlife Appeal, set up in 1985, is run by the Royal Society for Nature Conservation and aims to raise £10 million to support the continued health of our countryside.

Details of the event and the British Wildlife Appeal are available from the British Wildlife Appeal, 164 Vauxhall Bridge Road, London SW1V 2RB.

## Take It From Toro!



The Greensmaster 3000.

The new TORO Greensmaster 3000 made its first showing recently.

TORO claims to be the first manufacturer to introduce new O-Ring face seal fittings on most hydraulic lines, which reduce the potential of oil leaks.

A Kohler 16hp Magnum engine is quieter and more durable and electronic ignition reduces maintenance. Hinged lift arms are standard and an unrestricted cutting unit flotation improves traction on undulating ground.

The fuel tank has a 7.5 gallon capacity and most parts, reels and accessories are interchangeable.

The Groundsmaster range of mowers is designed to fit virtually every turf maintenance need - from the small 21in walk behind to large deck models with 27hp four cylinder engines.

There's a choice of five models in the TORO Walk Rotary range - two hand-propelled, three self-propelled, all complete with rear baggers. Width of cut ranges from 18in to 2ft. Optional extras include a leaf shredder, thatcher and side chute.



TORO's Groundsmaster.

## All-Clear Given For A New Look At Wentworth

A new multi-million pound clubhouse is planned for Wentworth, following permission from the Department of Environment to remove a temporary historic building listing on the present clubhouse.

The clubhouse has now outlived its economic use and the club's board has opted for a major new complex to be completed in tandem with a third 18-hole course.

The clubhouse design by D.Y. Davies Associates will provide more than 50,000sq ft of changing rooms, bars, reception and administration areas, pro shop, function rooms, dining areas, a large indoor swimming pool, two squash courts and a gym.

"The new facilities will be located to the north of the existing clubhouse and will take advantage of the ground's natural slope," D.Y. Davies' chairman David Davies said. "It has been sensitively designed to be in keeping with the architecture of the Wentworth Estate and will include many features contained within the existing clubhouse."

Work will start in August and scrub clearance for the new Wentworth course will begin during the summer. The new clubhouse is expected to be opened in early 1989 and the third course should be ready for play in the early 1990s.

## Sold For £1.5m

Ransomes Sims & Jefferies has acquired the business and assets of Mowing Machine Maintenance of Wath on Dearne, specialist manufacturers of cutting cylinders, blades and grinding machines for domestic and overseas grass machinery markets.

It is intended to continue operating at the Wath on Dearne premises.

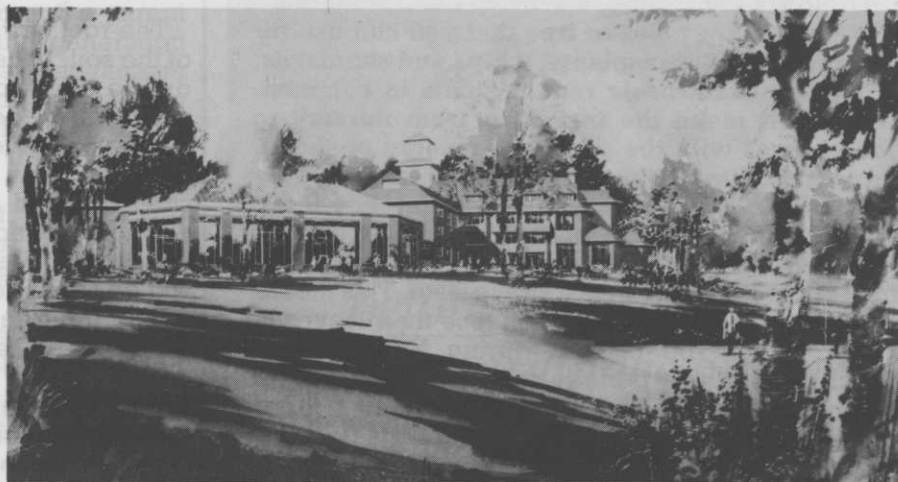
Ransomes group chief executive, Bob Dodsworth, said: "This acquisition provides the group with considerable potential to develop our important spares business, especially in export markets. It will also enable us to market a superior range of grinding machines through our worldwide dealer network."

## Legislation Lecture

The IOG's north-east zone is to hold a one-day seminar on the new pesticides legislation in turf management at Sheffield United FC on Thursday October 22, from 9.45am to 3.45pm. Speakers will include specialists from the Ministry of Agriculture, the National Test Proficiency Council, Sheffield University and May & Baker Professional Products Division.

Admission, including buffet lunch, will be £10. Institute members benefit from a 50 per cent reduction.

Booking forms and further information from Derek Harrison, 20 Muirfield Close, Tapton, Chesterfield, Derbyshire S40 1SS. Tel: 0246 204338 between 5pm and 7pm only.



An artist's impression of the new Wentworth clubhouse as viewed from the course with the swimming pool foreground.

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