Rhône-Poulenc launched a systemic fungicide called Vitesse (French for 'speed'). It is being promoted as the only systemic which acts from within, and iprodione, a proven contact action fungicide which is rapidly taken into the plant to give protection against disease attack. Vitesse is designed to combat a range of turf diseases including fusarium patch, red thatch, Timothy leaf spot and other debris. Price is £1,870. Tel: 0899 271503

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Turfmec has added a rear-mounted blower to use with compact tractors. The TM300 is offered for clearing leaves, litter and other debris. Price is £1,870. Tel: 0899 271503

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Dave Summerfield, a technical adviser for the John Deere dealer for Scotland and north England, talked up the benefits of the 3235. "It has the power to get the job done," he said. The machine is fitted with a disc and two swing blades to protect the crankshaft. Price: £287 plus VAT. The VP44P brushcutter has a 40cc engine, Sure-Tap professional head which controls the length of cutting line released when the centre knob is tapped and two-stage anti-vibration handles. Price: £379. Tel: 0869 253355

Sports Ground Irrigation exhibited the new valve-in-head golf models from Hunter Industries and the full range of PGM lawn sprinklers with colour coded nozzles. Also on show was a new version of the CIC 1 controller. Tel: 0858 463153

Jacobsen launched a new Automatic grass cutting system. This system enables grass cuttings to be reused as fertiliser and nutrient for courses, completing the biomass cycle and doing away with unsightly mounds of grass cuttings. Two sizes of machine are available. Jacobsen also introduced a new systems vehicle available in two models with either a 23hp Kubota diesel engine or 34hp Ford petrol engine, both giving a 2800 lb total rated capacity. Tel: 0938 417777

Sharpes International launched its 1994 booker featuring two new varieties - Elegana, a perennial ryegrass, and Miracle, a smooth rolled meadow grass. Tel: 0529 304511

Symbio showed its new product, Green Circle, which "reduces fertiliser applications and reduces or eliminates the need for fungicides". Symbio uses "Biofixation", a process whereby the bacteria and microscopic fungi found in healthy soils are fixed onto a specially developed natural mineral support. The microbes in Green Circle are claimed to break down fibrous thatchy material thereby improving drainage through the sward. Consequently the nutrients released by decomposition are fed down into the rootzone, stimulating deeper root growth. Tel: 081 669 0011

Land and leisure consultants ADS were offering golf clubs six-monthly course 'health' check-ups. They will examine the course to pinpoint trouble spots and log the results in a report. The project is designed as an early-warning system for club managers. Tel: 0623 846742

Mark Lawless, engineering manager, and Philip Langdon and Peter Madden on the Waterman stand