North of the border

Wednesday, November 11 & Thursday November 12, The Royal Highland Centre, Ingliston Showground, Edinburgh. Opening Times: Wednesday 10am to 4.30pm Thursday 9.30am to 3pm.

Scotsturf is an annual event which Scottish greenkeepers have "ring fenced" in their diaries from very early on indeed and only a dire emergency would keep them away from keeping the date. Coming at the end of the growing season - although the seasonal element of the British weather seems to have been consigned to history if the last two years are any measure - the show is an ideal opportunity to assess new or replacement machinery or take a look at the seed, fertiliser or chemical products which are currently on the market.

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* To catch up on all the latest technology and products used in our profession.
* To meet colleagues and friends from around the country and take part in conversation and refreshment
* To hopefully find a bargain through promotions by companies who are launching new products or ranges.
* Everything and everyone is under one roof, from local fertiliser, chemical, top dressing and machinery dealers.
* I am beginning to plan my budgets and programmes for the forthcoming season so it allows me to speak to various companies about my requires for the new season.
* To help out on the BIGGA stand and to speak to prospective new members about the benefits of joining the Association.
* Attending the show whets my appetite of BTME in Harrogate a couple of months later.
* To let my staff look at any new machinery we are thinking about buying and let them have their say about these proposals.
* It also gives us a chance to put a face to the voice of many people with whom I only ever speak on the phone.
* Last but not least to compete with Steve Dixon to see how many free drinks we can get - Yes I agree it is a tall order but I shall give it a try!

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This year we will be displaying a selection of products from the Kawasaki range of All Terrain Vehicles and the Dennis range of cylinder mowers including the versatile cassette system. We will be exhibiting for the first time the new Toro 5 Series diesel tractor with recycling deck. We have also been appointed the main Scag Service dealers and are now carrying an extensive range of parts stock.

Geo Henderson Ltd

Geo Henderson Ltd will have on show the new Charterhouse Mustang vertidrain machine. This machine has been developed for the purpose of carrying out spiking and coring up to a depth of six inches and be able to maintain a fast forward speed at the same time.

We will also have the popular new Honda four-stroke brushcutter which has been well received by the professional user for its quiet running and ease of operation. Also on display we will have a selection from the work wear depots. This is proving very popular with all our customers. Should you have a specific requirement which you are struggling to locate why not give us a chance to prize the item. You might be surprised!