NEW WEBSITE

Kawasaki’s recently created European Engines & Power Products Division has powered up a new website dedicated to its products and key distributors across the continent.

The first stage of the three-phase development went live recently to provide a definitive information resource for the Japanese manufacturer’s stationary engine business targeting OEMs and power products ranges for the professional grounds-care markets.

It’s part of the global engine manufacturer’s strategy to step up its profile and business activities in both engine and power product markets across Europe.

CLEANSTRIKE SHOWS IMPECCABLE GREEN CREDENTIALS

Not content with bringing to market what is claimed to be the ‘first new golf consumable since the golf ball and golf tee’, CleanStrike of Ireland have gone to great lengths to make it environmentally friendly as well.

CleanStrike believe the twin products of the golf club-cleaning wipe and sports shoe cleaning wipe offer the very best of disposable, value-for-money solutions to what is a drudgery but also a necessary task. The problem with the throw-away benefits of the demand society, however, is that disposable products are so often an environmental nightmare.

MINI EXCAVATOR RANGE EXPANDS

Three new mini excavators designed to further enhance JCB’s range of compact models for small contractors, plant hirers, landscapers and utility companies are set to be launched. The three machines include two versions of the new 8055 and the 8020.

Based on JCB’s 8045 platform, the 8055 will be available as either reduced tailswing or zero tailswing and will compete in the 5-6 tonne sector. The machines will replace the existing 8052 in the JCB range and will go into full production during 2008.

A third new machine is the 8020, which will compete in the 1.9-2.3 tonne operating weight class. Based on JCB’s 801 series of easier to service, easier to operate and more comfortable machines, the 8020 is positioned between the existing 8018 and 8025 models and is now in full production.

NEW PUTTER

Yes! has launched the Donna hybrid putter.

This hybrid putter is composed of two different materials. The face is made of aviation grade aluminum and the body is made of 304 stainless steel. The combination of a light face and heavy back generates a high M0I. The design of the putter is a combination of a mallet and cavity-back blade design. The heel-toe balance makes it a very forgiving putter. The full offset shaft features a double bend and the cavity of the putter head has a single alignment line.

PLENTY OF FEATURES IN A COMPACT PACKAGE

SkyCaddie has launched a new entry-level model to replace its hugely popular SG2.

With recent news that the PGA has sanctioned the use of GPS rangefinders in all its professional events this year, the new SG2.5 has been specifically designed to meet the inevitable surge in demand for SkyCaddies.

The 4.5in x 2.2in device is packed with features, including the patented IntelliGreen technology, which enables golfers to measure the full depth and exact shape of the green from any angle of approach - even from adjacent fairways!

Golfers get three precise measurements to the green - to the front, to the back or directly to the flag, which can be positioned anywhere on the green using the SG2.5’s four-way thumbpad.
GREEN AND WHITE FOR GREENER MOWING

With recycling a top priority for today’s environmentally conscious gardener, Etesia has launched a new mulching facility as standard for their Bahia ride-on mower.

Now, Bahia can recycle as it cuts, chopping the clippings into extremely fine particles before returning them to the turf to decompose naturally. This mulch acts as a conditioner, feeding nutrients to the growing plants, plus with no clippings to dispose of, mowing time is reduced - leaving users more leisure-time to do other things. Quicker mowing means less fuel and reduced emissions.

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www.etesia.com

NEW ANTI-SLIP INNOVATION

Gripclad provide long-lasting anti-slip solutions by using extremely tough GRP cleats. Resistant to corrosion, metal spikes, frost, impact, wear and tear. Ideal for wooden sleepers, walkways, footbridges, steps, even grass machinery.

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BEDS AND BORDERS TOPSOIL

Rolawn has launched a topsoil specifically developed for beds and borders.

Beds and Borders Topsoil is a fertile, organic rich, light and friable topsoil, analysed to BS3882:2007, that contains a controlled release fertiliser and a water retentive polymer.

The controlled release fertiliser provides balanced fertility to promote healthy establishment of shrubs and plants. The water retentive polymer forms a water attractive film on the surface of the organic fibres in the soil that holds water and enables the fibres in the soil to absorb water and to release it gradually as the plant requires it, resulting in reduced water consumption, improved growth rate and enhanced root development.

www.rolawn.co.uk

SLICER/SEEDER MAKES UK DEBUT

Salsco’s Slicer/Seeder and Greens Roller will be imported to the UK by Equipment Supply Services, the Glamorgan-based machinery sourcing company that works in groundscare, landscaping, forestry, re-cycling and agriculture/horticulture.

Salsco’s Slicer/Seeder is a truly ‘all terrain’ seeder, being able to work on slopes of up to 40 degrees and able to seed on the turn, which – combined with a 25 inch turning circle and great manoeuvrability – means it can work around trees, sprinkler heads, bunkers, flower beds and other obstructions.

www.equipmentsupply.co.uk

NEW LINE UP

For the 2008 season, Massey Ferguson’s ride-on mower and garden tractor range encompasses:

- Seven tractor-mowers equipped with direct-collect mid decks in cutting widths ranging from 0.76m to 1.22m (30in – 48in), all with rear-mounted grass catchers as standard.
- Three rough-cut tractor mowers with side-discharge decks available in cut widths of 0.96m, 1.06m and 1.27m (38in, 42in and 50in), all fitted with mulch kits as standard.
- A 25hp garden tractor with 1.37m (54in) side-discharge cutting deck and optional mulch kit.
- A zero-turn rider mower powered by a 22hp V-twin engine and equipped with a 1.27m (50in) cutting deck.

www.masseyferguson.com

THE GOLF BOOK

Sporting a fresh and modern design, The Golf Book is a celebration of all that is great about golf, from the ancient origins of the game to the most prestigious championships held today. The book profiles all of the greatest players, from the Grand Bear Jack Nicklaus to the Shark Greg Norman, as well as capturing the landmark moments in golf history.

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