NEW PRODUCTS

Ringer's Foliage 8-6-5 serves dual purpose for flowers, shrubs

Ringer Commercial Flower/Foliage 8-6-5 is a new, dual-function fertilizer marketed by Ringer Corp. "The product provides optimum results for a wide variety of trees, shrubs, and flower beds," says Scott Boutilier, Ringer's director of commercial sales. "And it does so with the convenience of granular application," said Boutilier.

Commercial Flower/Foliage enhances and accelerates natural plant nutritional processes as opposed to providing a short-term chemical "fix." It is available in 25-pound bags.

For additional information contact Ringer Corp., 9559 Valley View Rd., Minneapolis, Minn. 55344. Circle No. 301

Kubota shifts gears in its tractor line

Kubota has introduced two new tractors.

Glide-shift transmission is the heart of the four-wheel drive L3650GST. The GST allows for easy shifting through eight forward and reverse speeds without using the clutch. The GST works to reduce engine and clutch stress and lessen operator fatigue.

With no clutching or pedal operation and a strong main hydraulic system, the L2650GST is practical for front-loader work. Other implements available include a rotary tiller, backhoe, rotary cutter, post hole digger, and snow blower.

Also available are the new L-series tractors, the L2650DT-W, L2950DT-W and L3650DT-W4WD. They are the first compact tractors with "Ever Clutch," designed to greatly extend clutch life. Kubota offers a three-year/3,000-hour warranty on the clutch pack.

The "Ever Clutch" is a true wet clutch, with a steady stream of filtered hydraulic oil flowing through eight separate discs and pressure plates that keep the clutch cool while reducing friction. Clutch slippage and seizure are virtually eliminated, operation is more reliable and fuel consumption is reduced.

The compact design is aimed at greater operator convenience, comfort and safety with increased capacities for implements to improve working efficiency. The new LA450 and LA650 front loaders offer increased lift capacities over previous models, to move more material and lift heavier loads with shorter cycle times.

For more information contact Kubota Tractor Corp., 520 West Artesia Blvd., Compton, Calif. 90220. Circle No. 309

Kubota L3650 Tractor

Wind meter aids supers

Spectrum Technologies has introduced an easy-to-use, hand-held wind speed indicator that assists pesticide and fertilizer applicators in monitoring and documenting wind conditions.

The single scale eliminates the need to shift back and forth between two scales when wind speeds are variable or gusty. It is calibrated in both miles/hour and meters/second.

The dial measures up to 60 m.p.h. (88.8 meters/second) and is supported on sapphire jewel bearings for long life and minimal friction.

For more information contact Spectrum Technologies, Inc., 1201 S. Aero Drive, Plainfield, Ill. 60544 or call (815) 436-4440. Circle No. 308

PC controls irrigation

EICON has introduced a FM-based radio frequency central/satellite irrigation control system using an IBM/PC-compatible computer as the central controller.

The system provides fully automated operations and flexibility in scheduling, timing, start/stop, run times, program modifications, and storage.

Complete programming and scheduling of individual valves within the system are also available. Software is self-programming and user friendly.

For more information contact EICON, Inc., 7004 S. Alton Way, Suite M, Englewood, Colo. 80112. Circle No. 300

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Scott markets new products

The newest addition to the Scotts ProTurf line of combination fertilizer and herbicide products is 14-0-14 Nitrogen/Potassium Fertilizer Plus Turf Weedgrass Control. It provides weed control of six annual grassy weeds (crabgrass, goosegrass, oxalis, spurge, cudweed, hop clover) and seven broadleaf weeds (chickweed, oxalis, spurge, cedweed, hop clover, henbit and evening primrose), while providing a feeding of nitrogen and potassium.

This water-soluble liquid-concentrate fertilizer of chelated micro-nutrients helps correct deficiencies in iron and manganese and prevent zinc, copper and molybdenum deficiencies. All the minor elements are in plant-available form. The new addition complements the existing granular product, ProTurf Step (Scotts Trace Element package).

Designed for use on all turfgrasses putting greens, tees, fairways and other turf areas, Scotts Fluid Minors Package can be applied any time during the growing season. It is compatible for use with Scotts other liquid-applied ProTurf products, including 9-0-32 Flowable K Fertilizer.

Recently introduced Flowable K provides a high rate of readily available potassium from potassium nitrate without adding excessive nitrogen and potassium. It provides weed control of six annual grassy weeds (crabgrass, goosegrass, barnyardgrass and fall panicum) and seven broadleaf weeds (chickweed, oxalis, spurge, cedweed, hop clover, henbit and evening primrose). It is available in either 30-gallon drums or cases of four, one-gallon containers.

Contact O.M. Scott & Sons Co., 14111 Scottslawn Road, Marysville, Ohio 43041; 800-543-0006. Circle No. 307

TRIMS enhances graphics

LABB Systems, publisher of TRIMS Grounds Management Software, has released an enhancement package to make creating graphs with TRIMS as easy as printing reports.

This TRIMS 2.2 add-on feature provides the software to display and print publication quality graphs from information already contained in the TRIMS data files. Data from sources other then TRIMS can also be presented graphically with this new software.

TRIMS Graphics produces pie charts of labor activities and budget expenses; line graphs of expenses, irrigation flow and weather data; plus bar charts illustrating soil nutrient accumulations. TRIMS also collects weather data from irrigation control weather stations for graphic presentation.

TRIMS Graphics supports all IBM/PC compatible graphics display screens, laser printers and most nine- and 24-pin printers.

For more information contact LABB Systems/Software at 602-481-9710. Circle No. 304

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