Deere introduces a new pair of Gators

John Deere has introduced two general all-purpose turf vehicles dubbed “Gators.” Designed to feature aggressive traction, stability and light footedness, the Gator has a low center of gravity and a wide stance front end. The 10-hp Gator 4x4 rolls on four wheels with two-wheel drive and differential lock. The cargo box hauls 500 pounds and the payload capacity, with operator and passenger, is 900 pounds. The 18-hp Gator foot rolls on six wheels with four-wheel drive. The cargo box hauls 800 pounds with a total payload of 1,200. On both models, new continuously variable transmissions drive an improved heavy-duty transaxle that turns in an oil bath for long life. For more information, call 919-954-6428, or write John Deere at P.O. Box 29533, Raleigh, N.C. 27626.

Software for architectural drafting

LABB Systems/Software has added Green Thumb’s computer-aided design (CAD) package, LandDesignerPro, to its line of IBM PC-compatible software products for the green and grounds maintenance industries. LandDesignerPro will create architectural landscape drawings in both plan and elevation formats. LDP has a 12-layer deep flexibility and architectural drafting symbols and a印花eder system layout feature with the ability to test project coverage and flow usage. LABB has also completed a new video showing the role this software can play in the daily activities of a golf course superintendent. For more information, call 1-800-723-9710; or write LABB Systems/Software, 6018 East Shea Bor Road, Scottsdale, Ariz. 85251.

CIRCLE #203

Diggin’ it

Dig-it Manufacturing, a division of Spancrete Machinery Co. of Waukesha, Wis., has introduced its Model 158N, a towable backhoe powered by compressed natural gas (CNG). The unit has a 3,000-PSI capacity cylinder over the rear hydraulic reservoir. This capacity is equivalent to six gallons of gasoline and enables the Model 158N to run for six hours of continuous operation. Available in dual-fuel or dedicated CNG systems, the 158N is a hydraulically self-propelled towable backhoe with an 8.5-foot digging depth. For more information, call 114-542-0481; or write Dig-it Manufacturing, 943 Blackstone Ave., Waukesha, Wis. 53186.

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Lawn Institute

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