Kubota introduces two new tractor models

Rugged in design and boasting advanced new styling, Kubota Tractor Corp.'s 42-PTO-horsepower M4700 and 50-PTO-horsepower M5400 utility tractors are designed to meet the power and performance demanded by superintendents.

Offering cutting-edge engine technology, the new M-Series tractors feature Kubota's innovative 2600 rpm ETVCS (Emission Three Vortex Combustion System) diesel engines. These powerful 5-cylinder, liquid-cooled engines feature a combination of high power, low noise and vibration, and quick starts. Incorporating the technology needed to meet strict emissions standards, the M-Series tractors provide greater operator comfort and environmentally friendly operation.

Featuring synchronized shuttle transmission, the M4700 and M5400 tractors allow operators to easily shift directions. One simple movement with the shuttle lever is all it takes to change direction from forward to reverse with the synchro-mesh shuttle transmission. A 4-speed, constant-mesh transmission, in combination with the Synchro-Schuttle, provides eight forward and four reverse operating speeds.

For more information about Kubota products, contact Kubota at 3401 Del Amo Blvd., Torrance, Calif., 90503.

CIRCLE #150

RFC offers golf course restrooms

The nation's largest and most experienced designer/builder of public lavatories, Restroom Facilities Corp. (RFC), has developed a line of "instant" golf course restrooms that are economical and easy to install. Buildings are shipped to the course fully assembled and ready to set on a site-poured concrete slab. All plumbing connections are outside the buildings, which are designed to connect to either potable water or irrigation water, sewers, septic tanks or holding tanks.

The rugged interiors feature plank and beam stained ceilings, spike-resistant black/green floor finish, and white ceramic floor tile on the interior walls (floor tile is 10 times stronger than wall tile). Epoxy grouts are used for the wall, resisting mildew and graffiti since the material—which is stronger than the tile itself—is also non-absorbent.

For more information, contact RFC's Tony Piazza toll free at 800-447-6570, ext. 203.

CIRCLE #152

Aquatrols unveils wetting agent and soil surfactant

Aquatrols has introduced two new products for turf professionals—InfilTRx and Primer 604.

InfilTRx soil penetrant was developed to try to outperform all wetting agents applied through irrigation systems. Primer 604 Matrix Flow Soil Surfactant is a new category of surfactant chemistry that Aquatrols claims goes a step beyond the performance characteristics of other wetting agents.

For more information call Aquatrols at 1-800-257-7797.

CIRCLE #154

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NEW PRODUCTS

**Jake unveils new Greens King V**

Jacobsen Textron has announced the Greens King V, a new generation of triplex greens mowers characterized by operator comfort, ease of maintenance and quality of cut.

Jacobsen expects superintendents will be drawn by the unit's FlashAttach, which allows reels to be changed in minutes and without tools. Changing from 11-blade to seven-blade reels for tees is as quick and easy as pulling a pin, saving time and increasing productivity.

 Quieter operation and improved maneuverability are other goals the Greens King V has met, according to the manufacturer. With either the liquid-cooled 19-horsepower Kubota diesel, or the high-output 18-horsepower Briggs & Stratton Vanguard gas engine providing the power, the single-pedal, hydrostatic speed and forward/reverse control make the mower easier to operate.

Meanwhile, power steering and a rear wheel that turns inside the front wheel’s radius make it easier to follow the most difficult curves and contours. In addition, ground clearance has been increased for simpler transport over bumpy terrain.

More information is available by Faxing Jacobsen at 414-637-4465.

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**DLT kills fire ants with 'understanding'**

DL Turner of DLT Laboratories of Marshall, Texas, has discovered what makes fire ants tick. But more important, he can show you how to make them “untick”.

Turner’s environmentally friendly, non-poisonous pesticide Bioguardian, when used as directed, takes away their below-ground energy source causing fire ants to instantly shut down and die. Turner has had his formula rated by the U.S. Drug Administration and Texas A&M at 98 percent efficacy and, according to Turner, Bioguardian is guaranteed to work each and every time it is used.

Turner said that, although Bioguardian works the same all year around, applicators are most efficient and fire ants are more vulnerable during the winter months rather than in spring and summer. According to Turner, “Once you learn why fire ants have invaded your property, getting rid of them is easy.” For more information, call 1-800-927-1902.

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**Par Aide introduces Divot Mate**

Until now, golf course superintendents and their crew have been tied to the endless, time-consuming task of reseeding divots on the course. With Par Aide’s new Divot Mate, this chore can easily be entrusted to the players.

Designed as a sand ’n seed bucket, Divot Mates offer a variety of other course uses as well. Ruggedly constructed of durable polyethylene, the buckets boast a deep, 4-gallon holding capacity with hinged lid to thwart the elements. A convenient broken tee container is positioned in the back, while mounting options add practicality to par-3s, driving ranges — or anywhere the course takes a beating.

A complement to any course, Divot Mates make an excellent addition to Trash Mates, Par Aide’s unique waste collectors and recyclers. Like Trash Mates, Divot Mates encourage player involvement with course upkeep — a matching hand scoop and pressure-sensitive decals assist players in specific uses.

For more information on Par Aide’s Divot Mate, contact Par Aide Products Co. at 3565 Hoffman Road East, St. Paul, Minn. 55110. For the name of the Par Aide dealer nearest you, call 612-779-9851.

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Otterbine offers Fractional Series

The Fractional Series by Otterbine-Barebo incorporates many features from Otterbine’s other aeration systems, but at a fraction of the cost. This new line of high quality water features, designed for small ponds at golf courses, includes all three of the interchangeable spray patterns: Starburst, Phoenix and Rocket. The Phoenix and Rocket patterns can be varied in height and diameter by simply adjusting the diffuser ring. You determine your spray pattern and change it whenever you like.

These 1/2-horsepower units are manufactured entirely of stainless steel and thermal plastics. Each unit in the fractional series comes standard with 100-feet of power cable, st/st debris screen and a mini-power center. The power center includes ground fault interrupter and a 24-hour on/off timer. As the motor is cooled by water rather than oil, the unit requires no maintenance. And Otterbine is the only aerator manufacturer to have each aeration system electrically safety tested and approved as a package by ETL and ETLC.

For more information, contact Otterbine Barebo, Inc., 3840 Main Road E., Emmaus, Pa. 18049; or call 1-800-AER8TER.

CIRCLE #166

Wilbur-Ellis offers biological fungicide

Bio-Trek 22G, the first EPA-approved biological turf fungicide, has been introduced by Wilbur-Ellis Co. First developed by Dr. Gary E. Harman and Dr. Thomas E. Stasz, the product was studied for effectiveness at the Geneva Campus of Cornell University in the Departments of Horticultural Sciences and Plant Pathology. It was further developed and is being manufactured by TGT, Inc., at Geneva, N.Y., for Wilbur-Ellis.

Bio-Trek 22G is a strain of the beneficial fungus, *trichoderma harzianum*, produced in a granular form for use of turf. It is non-toxic and non-pathogenic to vertebrates and plants and will not contaminate ground water. Effective in reducing dollar spot, pythium, and brown patch, Bio-Trek 22G also enhances root growth and increases plant vigor. Trichoderma is a common soil-inhabiting organism found in relatively low levels in nearly all soils. The strain of this fungus in Bio-Trek 22G is more effective than these natural strains and is formulated for maximum efficacy. It colonizes on roots and soil very quickly after application.

The use of micro-biology to develop new, environmentally friendly products such as Bio-Trek 22G is part of Wilbur-Ellis’ commitment to environmental stewardship. Next on the horizon is a new, sprayable Bio-Trek product that will enhance and prolong the benefits of Bio-Trek 22G.

For more information, contact Wilbur-Ellis Co./Western Division, 2903 South Cedar Ave., Fresno, CA 93725; or call 209-442-1220.

CIRCLE #168

New weather sensor

Weather Metrics, Inc. has developed a stand-alone weather station that can monitor up to 200 sensors, seven weather parameters and also calculate evapotranspiration for up to six crop coefficients.

The Turf Watch Weather Station does not require a computer. But with a computer, the station’s software works within Microsoft Windows. Data is read at .8 second intervals, averaged, and recorded at increments defined by the user.

For more information call Weather Metrics, Inc. at 1-800-869-6629.

CIRCLE #170

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