

Hover letter

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grass." Rodway also claims that a 4-cycle engine "blows right through it." He has obviously never tested a Flymo nor seen our videos in which we feature a Flymo having no problem whatsoever in heavy grass.

You see, the Tecumseh 2-cycle engine, used in our Flymo GCT12, operates at higher RPMs (6,000) than a 4-cycle engine. A 4-cycle engine is much slower and heavier than a 2-cycle engine. The entire GCT12 trimmer weighs only 15 lb. making it not only lighter but much faster and easier to use.

Rodway says that "it's very difficult to get parts." Rodway is probably right; I still can't get anyone to answer their toll-free number.

On the other hand, it has never been difficult to get parts from Precision. To get the best products at the lowest prices, the best

Lofts Seed Co.'s Morrissey retires after 46 years

SOMERSET, N.J. — Back in 1949, Selmer Loft, who founded Lofts Seed Co. in 1923, hired a young John Morrissey, whom he had known as the boy who mowed his lawn and raked his leaves prior to World War II.

Forty-six distinguished years later, John Morrissey, senior vice president at Lofts, has announced his retirement.



John Morrissey

John is not only an excellent seedsman, he is a family friend and will be greatly missed," said Jon Loft, president of Lofts Seed.

"But I am pleased that John will remain active in the company by continuing as a member of Lofts' Board of Directors."

As a salesman in the 1950s, Morrissey focused on selling grass seed to landscapers, garden centers, and large contractors who purchased grass seed for the projects like the New Jersey Turnpike and Garden State Parkway.

In the 1960s, Morrissey was active selling the seed for use on new golf courses and the then-developing sod grower's industry.

As Lofts Seed Co. grew, Morrissey became involved in all aspects of the professional seed market and was responsible for many positive advances in the company's history, including implementation of its wild flower program, the naming of Lofts renowned improved turf-type tall fescue (Rebel), and coordinating the opening of Lofts newest branch office in Allentown, Pa.

service and the most accurate information in the industry simply turn to the back of *Golf Course News*, in the Golf Course Marketplace section. Check out our ad and give us a call. Of the three companies mentioned in your article, only Precision Small Engine has advertised since your magazine's inception, seven years ago.

You have always done an excellent job with our advertising. We felt let down when the above statements went unchallenged.

Andy Masciarella, president Precision Small Engine Co., Pompano, Fla.

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advertisements in the surrounding communities.

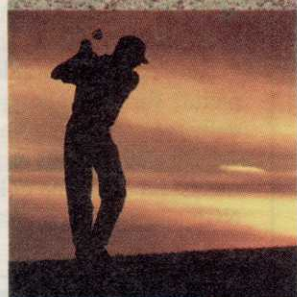
"Our philosophy is 'keep it simple' and we're true to our word," Weeks explained. "Because of our limited rainfall and low humidity, we have natural cart path areas, worn out by traffic in our native grass areas which are devoid of any paving material. Our clubhouse operation has a golf shop, limited food and beverage service, and an outside deck overlooking the front nine and practice areas which is quite popular with our golfers.

"We are a profit center thus we will not have the usual big overhead of having the traditional roles filled by golf professionals or club managers. I will run the clubhouse, golf shop and golf course maintenance with the help of my mainte-

nance staff. Our jobs will be overlapping, thus any one of us can be mowing greens in the morning, then serving food or selling merchandise in the clubhouse for the rest of the day. This helps keep our staff to the bare minimum and we can keep a limited staff year round to help prepare everything for the following season."

Weeks continued: "About one-half of our golfers walk the course and carry their own clubs, and the other half use golf cars. Sometimes after the turn a few of the walkers will rent a cart, which helps in the revenue department. During the winter time we put up 2-foot-high snow fences to protect our greens and tees from desiccation from the ever-present winds in our region. They work quite well."

Terry Buchen, CGCS Galena, Ohio



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