Turf ‘system’ has many applications

The Radiarc Turf System can be used for pre-emergence weed control, herbaceous vegetation control, brush control or many other applications.

The Radiarc will yield uniform application rates, control of spray drift, economical low volumes and absence of fine particles which produce swath displacements.

For best results, the Radiarc can be mounted at the rear of a skidder or other rough terrain vehicle. A mounting height of six to eight feet is common. A variety of nozzle sizes and placements is possible with the Radiarc.

‘New breakthrough’ in space furniture

The Plexus Collection is being called “a major breakthrough” by its manufacturers.

The new metal furniture system includes all the major elements of the public space into a single package. A metal grid pattern creates seating, tables, planters, trash receptacles, ash urns, signage and banners in a linear or curvilinear design.

The heart of the system is a contoured seating unit that is ergonomically sensitive to the human form. The seat is available with or without back. An arm option is available.

Company formed to sell pesticide detector

A new company, Enzytec, has been formed to market a quick, easy and inexpensive pesticide detector developed at Midwest Research Institute.

The pesticide detector itself provides a simple and reliable on-the-spot test to detect within minutes the presence of either organophosphates or carbamates.

Lawn care services can use the detectors to demonstrate the extent of coverage and to monitor drift. Other uses are to test spills, to monitor cleanup operations and to determine contamination of surface and groundwater.

Fungicide gets label for turf market use

Penncozeb fungicide from Pennwalt Corporation has received registration for use against most common turf grass diseases and major fungus diseases of certain ornamentals.

Penncozeb, the trade name for mancozeb, is a wettable powder which can be applied with ground or aerial equipment. The fungicide can provide control in as little as three hours after application. It is available in three- and 50-pound quantities.

Penncozeb is effective on fusarium blight, brown patch, pythium and petal blight, dollar spot and leaf spot. Ornamentals it is registered for use on include azaleas, chrysanthemums, roses, tulips and rhododendrons.

Low-growing wildflowers have uniform texture

A new very low-growing wildflower mixture, Super-Short, has been introduced by Applewood Seed Co. Designed for use in urban or suburban settings, the mixture grows only six to eight inches high.

Another appealing feature is the mixture’s uniform texture. Twenty-two annual and perennial wildflowers are balanced to exhibit a wide range of colors and blooming periods.

The mixture is designed for commercial and residential applications where a uniform, somewhat manicured look is preferred. An annual fall mowing or trimming is suggested.

Honda engine available on lawn and turf mowers

The Bunton Company is now offering the Honda GXV340 overhead valve commercial four-stroke engine as an option on its 52-, 48-, 40- and 36-inch heavy duty commercial lawn and turf mowers.

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Dual synchro balancers and a muffler reduce engine noise. A trochoid oil pump sends oil under pressure to the upper crankshaft bearing and rocker arms.

Walk-behind reel has split drive system

John Deere has announced a new golf and turf product line that includes a 22-inch walk-behind greensmower with a split drive system featuring two aluminum traction rolls.

According to Deere, a split drive system helps the greensmower track in a straighter line and turn more easily. The split system also allows the front brush to be driven separately.

The new greensmower features a nine-blade high-tensile-strength reel and three millimeter hardened steel bedknife which delivers a quality cut up to 1/8 of an inch. An optional 2.5 millimeter bedknife is available for a 1/4-inch tournament cut.

Other features include a three-liter fuel tank, handle-mounted controls, solid front roller and grass-catcher.

Perennial ryegrass blend bolstered by components

Futura 2000 perennial ryegrass from Pickseed is a blend of Fiesta II (a new Pickseed perennial rye), Dasher II and Blazer perennial ries. Each variety was selected for its strong characteristics.

Fiesta II adds color, density and heat tolerance; Dasher II adds disease resistance; and Blazer provides winter hardness, persistence and a medium-late heading date.

Futura 2000 can be used in the south for winter seeding of warm season grasses, and for turf in northern areas.

Tractor-mower has unique adjustment

Brouwer Turf Equipment has a new tractor-mount mower with a new mowing head available in five-, six-, seven- or eight-blade reels. A choice of fixed or floating mowing heads is offered.

The mower also has a unique single-point bedknife adjustment design and easy mowing height adjusters. A mechanical drive is used to power the mowing units.

The mower has self-cleaning rollers, and mid-mount mowing units can be fitted with track removal brushes.

New fungicide effective on variety of diseases

A new fungicide from Lebanon Chemical, which contains one percent Bayleton, has numerous preventive and curative applications in the turfgrass industry.

The fungicide can be used as both a preventive and curative on dollar spot, copper spot, brown patch and red thread, in addition to a number of other diseases.

It can be used as a preventive treatment for summer patch (fusarium blight), gray snow mold and pink
Riding mowers redesigned with variable-speed system

John Deere's line of riding mowers has been re-designed to give them a variable speed drive system, increased horsepower and a shorter turning radius. The drive system has a gear transmission with a belt system to vary ground speed to suit mowing conditions. The mower has seven speed settings ranging up to 5.4 mph, and reverse speeds up to 2.4 mph.

In addition, the company has added a third front mower to its 900 series. The series now features three engine types: the air-cooled F910; the liquid-cooled diesel F915; and the new liquid-cooled F912.

The F912 has a 20 hp engine, with full-pressure lubrication, electric fuel pump and electronic ignition.

Soil pH meter shortens testing time period

Scotts' Model 100 portable pH meter decreases the need to send samples to labs for pH analysis. It has a ½-inch taut-band meter, solid state electronics, Teflon-insulated input circuitry and a battery life of 300 hours. The unit weighs less than three pounds.

Aerial lift device hits tree trimming market

Altec Industries has introduced the Linebacker LB series of aerial devices designed specifically for the tree trimming industry. The series utilizes two cylinders on the lower boom lower end to achieve an articulation range of 0° to 135° (45° beyond center). The upper boom elevation is reached with a cylinder and four bar linkage providing 210° of articulation.

The LB series has three-lever upper controls, lower controls that can override the upper ones, and a positive cable/fiberglass rod leveling system.

The one-man fiberglass platform with step is 24 x 24 x 39 inches and has a capacity of 350 lbs. Options include a chain saw holder, pruner holder and a platform cover and liner.

Systemic fungicide in water soluble bags

W.A. Cleary's 3336 systemic fungicide is now available in water soluble bags. The bags are safe, easy to use and provide no exposure to chemical dust, fumes or residue, and no container disposal.

Vertical shaft engine useful on mowers

New 16 hp and 18 hp vertical shaft engines from Kohler Engines provide an alternative to horizontal shaft engines on lawn tractors and commercial mowers.

The MV16 and MV18 feature electronic ignition, a mechanical fuel pump, a closed breather, full pressure lubrication, sleeve bearings and a 15 amp regulated charging system. A 25 amp charging system is optional.

Also optional is a full flow oil filter, grass screen guard and backup rope start.
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the leadership of Dr. Langeland, developed a herbicide program to meet that objective in 1983.

The first roundup

The program was introduced in the Scuppernong River where the problem was particularly severe. From boats, crews armed with hand-held sprayers applied Rodeo herbicide, a broad spectrum, post-emergence aquatic weed killer. The initial treatment was made during alligatorweed blooming in the spring, and was applied at a rate of 1.25 percent solution plus surfactant.

"Just a few weeks after the initial application, a substantial amount of mats and plants had already been eliminated," Langeland says. "We made a second application later in the year to control regrowth, and by the following year, found very few alligatorweed mats remaining. We were, in fact, highly successful in obtaining control of alligatorweed."

Another key factor, Langeland says, is the environmental compatibility of Rodeo. Tests have shown that the herbicide biodegrades rapidly and is activated on soil particles and sediment, has no effect on fish, humans or other mammals, and does not bioaccumulate in the food chain. This makes it safe to apply to water bodies used for recreation and commercial enterprises.

The management program has successfully and economically restored the Scuppernong as a fishing and recreation center for area residents. "Without busting our budget, we were able to reopen several miles of the Scuppernong to public boating, and eliminate the need for routine dragging at river bridges," Langeland says.

"In addition, we averted a major flood potential since, otherwise, there is always a high risk that the river can overflow due to the presence of a substantial number of alligatorweed mats obstructing water flow."

This program to control alligatorweed has been so successful that plans call for similar programs in other areas. "We are already applying Rodeo to small creeks and canal tributaries in the region," Langeland notes. "Once it has been eliminated from these waterways, reinfestation can only occur through vegetative reintroduction."

The last roundup

"Our goal is to completely eliminate the weed, maintaining alligatorweed populations at the lowest level possible by spot-spraying periodically," says Langeland. "We'd also like to make farmers more aware of the consequences of alligatorweed on their cropland and in drainage canals, and help them develop their own maintenance programs." Langeland concludes. "Through our cooperative efforts, we can maintain alligatorweed below problem proportions in the entire coastal plains."

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4. What is the retention rate for each individual salesperson? This is seldom done, but over a period of a season it will tell you which of your salespeople sold well and which oversold. If you should oversold the customer, you will find a very low retention rate.

These salespeople who were professional in explaining your services will have customers who remain with the company because the results will match their expectations. As with any type of management information, this list can grow considerably and be much more detailed.

The areas listed above are a starting framework. By gathering these types of marketing information you will have a much better understanding of your current customer base, who you should target in the future, and the internal efforts of your organization.

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Turf & Landscape Institute, April 27-29, Anaheim Convention Center, Anaheim, Calif. Contact: Ed McNell, 2492 E. Mountain St., Pasadena, CA 91104-3423; (626) 798-1715.

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Pest Control Workshop, May 7, Agricultural Center Auditorium, Sanford, Fl. Contact: Uday Yadav, University of Florida, extension service, Sanford, FL 32771; (305) 323-2500 ext. 182.

American Horticultural Society Annual Meeting, May 13-16, Omni Park Central Hotel, New York City, N.Y. Contact: Harriet Sweeney, AHS, P.O. Box 0105, Mt. Vernon, VA 22121; (703) 768-5700.

Western Chapter, International Society of Arboriculture Annual Conference, May 15-18, Santa Cruz Holiday Inn, Santa Cruz, Calif. Contact: Donald Blair, 1958 Latham St., Mountain View, CA 94040; (415) 967-4676.

Hands-On Equipment Expo, May 15-16, Alameda County Fairgrounds, Pleasanton, Calif. Contact: Jim Kwiat, Sequoia Landscape Specialties, 236 Sequoia Ave., Walnut Creek, CA 94595. (415) 937-7973.