Front mower available with 4WD

Kubota Tractor Corp. has introduced the GF1800 front mower with 4-wheel drive, designed for enhanced maneuverability in a variety of mowing conditions.

Featuring a unique Foot Control 4WD and an independent hydraulic PTO, the 18-hp GF1800 changes easily between two and four-wheel drive, and offers increased mobility on slopes and in soft ground conditions.

The 4WD GF1800’s unique two-pedal design allows the operator to switch easily between drives by simply stepping on either the 4WD Lock Pedal or 4WD Release Pedal. This Foot Control 4WD can be activated “on the go,” permitting quick response to changing ground conditions.

New, nimble gloves cover worker protection standard

Covering hands with chemical-resistant gloves when working with pesticides is the law under the EPA’s Worker Protection Standard. The problem is, the gloves can make it difficult to change sprayer tips and nozzles.

Gempler’s new, 100 percent Nitrile gloves provide protection without sacrificing dexterity.

The Nitrile gloves are recommended over rubber for chemical work, says the company, and resist damage from acids, caustics, solvents, grease, punctures and tears.

The embossed, anti-slip grip holds tips and nozzles tightly without impeding finger movement. Unlined and flock-lined pairs come individually packaged.

Apply fungicide to trees with injection system

Chipco’s Aliette Injectable brand fungicide is available for use in trees through an innovative micro-injection system from the ArborX company.

The technology lets the operator inject the material directly into the tree.

Consequently, those who provide professional tree care can deliver an immediate self-contained dose of the fungicide’s disease-control properties.

According to Chipco, the technology addresses the issue of potential applicator exposure to chemicals and can also be useful in saving urban trees in situations where high pressure spraying is not a practical option.

Weather satellite service keeps watch for lightning

Golf Communications, Inc. has offered GolfLink—called the first complete golf weather and information satellite service—to the green industry. GolfLink is designed to keep golf professionals, superintendents and players informed of the latest information in the golf industry.

GolfLink provides news from national and local golf and superintendent associations, tips from the pros, new product information and much more.

The most exciting feature about GolfLink, according to the company, is the weather and lightning information provided to all subscribers. GolfLink has the most complete weather and lightning package that is offered to anyone in the golf industry.

This system offers 12 different maps from national and regional radar maps; jet stream, temperature and soil temperature maps; action radar maps showing the movement of weather front; high and low forecasts and any other type of information that relates to weather.

All of this information is updated several times an hour.

The Lightning Strike maps can help warn golfers of any lightning strikes in the area.

All information is available 24 hours each day, seven days a week.

Cost is a $250 one-time fee, plus $58.25 per month. A two-month trial offer costs $159.

Root feeder ideal for shallow surface situations

The Green Garde division of H.D. Hudson Manufacturing Company has added a heavy-duty surface root feeder to its line.

The Green Garde HD-8 is ideal for shallow surface feeding with liquids and is ruggedly designed and built with fully replaceable parts for long, professional use. For greater in-field convenience, the feeder fits Green Garde JD9-C and JD-9CT spray guns.

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Roll-type aerator added to product line

Classen adds the new model TA-19 self-propelled, roll-type core aerator to its line of turf equipment.

The TA-19 is powered by a 4-hp Honda engine and covers up to 24,000 sq. ft. per hour.

Other features include:
- a rugged, one-piece frame with a removable weight bar;
- user-friendly handle and controls.

The TA-19 will easily fit through a 30-inch wide area.

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Foliar fertilizer improves turf color, spreads nutrients

Terra International introduces the foliar fertilizer Six Iron to its line of professional turf products.

Six Iron is a ferrous sulfate, urea and sulfur combination that improves the color of turfgrass.

Terra reports that foliar applications of Six Iron distribute iron and nitrogen more rapidly to the turf than do soil applications.

Six Iron is available in 2.5-gallon jugs and 55-gallon drums.

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Broader label designation for ornamental herbicide

The Environmental Protection Agency has approved an expanded label for Pendulum WDG herbicide from American Cyanamid Company.

The new label enables landscapers, nursery growers, lawn care operators and golf course superintendents to use the product over the top of an additional 70 species of ornamental plants.

With the new label, Pendulum WDG herbicide may be used to control grasses and broadleaf weeds in more than 260 species of trees, shrubs, flowering beds and ground covers.

The product contains pendimethalin, a leading pre-emergence turf herbicide.

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Self-propelled field striper has a 3-year warranty

The Brite Striper 2000 now carries what Pioneer Manufacturing says is the longest warranty in the industry: three years.

Three large, 13-inch wheels provide smooth rolling on rough surfaces.

An extra-large, 12-gallon, stainless steel tank reduces the number of delays for refilling. A Thomas-diaphragm-type compressor prevents costly and time-consuming problems associated with oil mixing and marking paint.

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Marker dye helps improve spray accuracy, visibility

Three new marker dye products to help applicators improve the visibility and accuracy of their agrichemical applications have been marketed by Loveland Industries.

Marker Dye WSP is a water-soluble packet of blue dye added to the mixing tank water for agricultural, horticultural, forestry and roadside applications of pesticides and liquid fertilizers.

With Marker Dye WSP, the applicator sees exactly what areas have been treated, thereby avoiding costly overlaps as well as skips and off-target applications.

Marker Dye WSP dissolves quickly and completely and leaves no residue to clog nozzles.

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New sliding topper for specific cargo vehicle

Reading Body Works has added a new optional feature, the Sliding Top, to the line of accessories available for the off-road Mitsubishi Mighty Mits vehicles.

The Sliding Top is a 14¼-inch high rear tailgate, and weathertight protection to the cargo bay. The Sliding Top is easy to open and close.

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Company makes vertical shaft engine

Briggs & Stratton Corporation’s new Quattro engine provides economical and dependable power and low-cost differentiation in price-sensitive markets.

The powerful, 4-hp, 10 cubic inch engine offers a distinctive, contemporary-styled appearance. Features include a large rewind and mechanical compression release for easier starting.

Other features include Magnetron electronic ignition, foam element air cleaner, and a two-year consumer warranty.

An extended oil fill and automotive type dipstick makes it easy to accurately check and service engine oil.

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New line of stone seats, tables, benches for outdoors

An expanded line of cast stone site tables and benches has been introduced by Dura Art Stone, bringing to 15 the number of standard tables it makes for picnic, game, recreational and general outdoor use, including a variety of shapes in traditional and art deco styles.

All tables have matching seats or benches that are either freestanding or an integral part of the design, as with picnic tables.

All styles of table offer the beauty and permanence of top quality cast stone in a choice of 18 standard colors and six finishes.

Most designs include wheelchair access by modifying the table height in compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act standards.

Other standard options include umbrella holes for tables and a variety of installation mounts to meet different application needs.

Fertilizer spreaders have many options, sizes

Precision cam gauge metering on Gandy 10 Series spreaders give accuracy and simplicity in gravity flow application of fertilizer, granular material and seeds.

Standard powder angles can be installed on the internal rotors for added agitation when applying granulated lime.

Each spreader has a cold-roll steel bottom with stainless steel slide which are precision mated at the factory for accuracy.

Hopper capacity is approximately 100 lbs./linear ft., with hoppers available in six-, eight- and 12-foot sizes in four models—trailer model, 3 pt. hitch end-wheel drive model and 3-pt. hitch or implement-mounted with 12-volt motor or hydraulic motor drive.

Stump grinder lightweight, with anti-vibration feature

The Model 272S uses an 8-inch steel blade with tungsten carbide tips. According to the company, the grinder is ideal for tree services, landscape contractors and companies that offer stump grinding services.

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‘Boom’ applicator greatly reduces spray product drift

Environmental Technologies has introduced the ‘ultimate’ walking boom spray applicator that virtually eliminates spray drift to ensure the spray goes and stays where you want it. The enclosed design also improves operator and environmental safety while reducing public complaints.

The Drift Guard WB70 is a 3-section boom that follows ground contours to ensure accurate spray application.

The wings fold for easy transport and storage. The walking boom also comes standard with a nozzle flow monitor, pressure gauge and digital speedometer.

An optional ‘chariot’ unit lets you load and transport the sprayer.

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W-2 form report generator available for tax needs

Armor Systems has the Report Generator W-2 Form Format software.

The format, which requires the use of the Premier Report Generator and Payroll modules, is perfect for large and small operations that incorporate Advance EIC Payments, have employees in multiple states or have special W-2 printing needs.

By using the new format, companies with employees in two states and localities, or those who have special printing needs can eliminate multiple print runs.

In addition, this format package reports Advance EIC Payments amounts in a separate box on W-2 forms, so employees will no longer have to fill in the Advance EOC Payments by hand.

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New sprayer/foamer line features high flow rate

Eagle Power Products announces its new line of portable, heavy-duty sprayers and foamers. All units have a steel tank construction ranging in size from 2.6 to 13.2 gallons.

The sprayers are quickly charged and capable of 170 psi of pressure, with high flow rate.

Individual replacement parts are also available.

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New hydrostatic mower cuts back on maintenance

Ransomes America Corporation introduces a new, Ransomes Bob-Cat Hydrostatic Drive walk-behind mower. Designed to cut up to 24.6 acres in an eight-hour day, the mower features an infinitely variable number of ground speeds for optimum productivity.

The hydrostatic drive’s transmission features dual Sunstrand/Hydrogrear pumps and Ross wheel motors. Fingertip levers control independent power to each wheel for moving, stopping, power turning and reverse. The result is exceptional maneuverability in confined areas.

Controls for blade engagement, throttle and wheel tracking are conveniently located on the panel and handlebars.

Kohler, Kawasaki and Vanguard air-cooled engines are available.

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New container reduces exposure to products

Monsanto Company is coming out with a new 2-½ gallon herbicide container that it says eliminates the foil seal, and features an innovative no-glug, no-drip design.

The patented container reduces user exposure to herbicides and makes herbicide handling easier and faster.

The no-glug pouring effect is achieved with a large, ‘air-flow’ handle designed with a special split inner opening, which lets air flow back into the container at the same rate the liquid empties, to create a smooth, fast-pouring action.

A special no-drip lip keeps contents from running down the container’s exterior while pouring, and a large handle makes for easy carrying and lifting.

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