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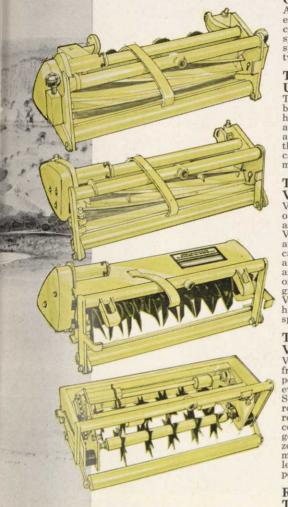
#### Tournament Triplex Verti-Cut Units

Verti-Cut units use durable, yet thin offset blades to remove thatch and grain as they begin to form. With 67" of cut (the Verti-Cut units are the same width, work at the same speed, and use the same grass catchers as the greens and utility units) and a riding vehicle, these attachments are ideal for preventing the development of thatch etc., lessening the need to take greens out of play for renovation. Variable-speed cylinder drives provide high tip-velocity even at low forward speeds.

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SIXTY MEMBERS of the literary world were entertained by the Directors of Birmid Qualcast to a day on the River Thames and an exhibition of their Home and Garden equipment, including their established, and new models.

In addressing the party, Mr. Prately, a director of Qualcast, mentioned that the 18th million lawn mower was expected to leave their production lines this year and that the company had already shown an increase in sales for 1973. He attributed this success to their provision of a powered mower that is simple, light and easy to handle, which attracted people away from the traditional hand mower.

The Atco division of the company are becoming heavily engaged in developing their professional mowing equipment and the exhibition introduced the latest mower from Atco in the form of a Ride-on Rotary Mower, suitable for semi-professional use, giving a 32 in. cutting width. Also from Atco will be coming a kick start version of the 28 in. Groundsman, along with a new trailer seat attachment.

The only other professional mowers on show were the 'Toughcut', capable of operating in arduous conditions such as verge cutting; and the 'mini-gang Triple mower', providing a cutting width of 56 in. for areas not suitable for larger conventional gang mowing equipment.

The rest of the exhibition was aimed at the housewife with the very light mowers. After experiencing the delights of all the exhibits, the party left Richmond Athletic ground, where the exhibition was held, both wiser as to the quality of the Qualcast mowers, and rugby pitches with a shorter covering of grass.

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# News



# from the Sections

#### Special occasions

Midland Section Spring May 8 Tournament

- North West Section Spring 8 Tournament
- East Midland Section Spring Tournament
- Southern Section Spring Tournament
- 24/25 Parks and Sportsground Exhibition, Hackney, London
- June 6 Southern Section A.G.M., Hendon G.C.
  - 12 Sheffield Section Outing to Cannock Fertiliser Ltd.
  - 13 East Midland Section Presidents v. Captains Match
  - 14 Midland Section Presidents Match
- July Welsh Section Summer 2 Tournament
  - 18 Sheffield Section Annual Tournament
- Aug 13. B.G.G.A. Annual Tournament 14, 15
- Sept 5 Southern Section Autumn Tournament
  - 12 Welsh Section Autumn Tournament
  - 18 North East Section Autumn Tournament
  - 30 Southern Section Trip to Bingley
- Oct 10 Southern Section Secretary's Match

# **FAST MIDIAND**

Chairman: G. Darby

By S. Fretter Hon. Secretary: 4 Queens Drive Leicester Forest East. Leicester

#### Lecture

A lecture by Mr. Rossiter of J. Bentleys was held at the Three Nuns Hotel, Loughborough, on Monday 26th March 1973, which was very interesting, and attended by a good number of greenkeepers, visitors and Vice President.

#### Autumn Golf Tournament

The Annual Autumn Golf Tournament will be held at Kirby Muxloe Golf Club on Wednesday 3rd October 1973. Details will follow later in the Journal.

Congratulations

I would like to wish Mr. P. McCarron all the very best in his new post as Head Greenkeeper of Leicestershire Golf Club, and I hope he will have many happy years there.

Details of lectures, film shows and dinner/ dance for the Autumn will be given later in the Journal.

# SOUTHERN

By F. W. Ford

Chairman: C. A. MOORE (Stanmore)

Hon. Secretary: 68 Salcombe Gardens, Mill Hill, N.W.7. Tel: 01-959 2847

#### **Annual Dinner**

Over Sixty Members and guests played the Walton Heath New Course in the 18 hole Stableford before the dinner. We all enjoy playing in this 'first of this year game' (for most of us anyway), specially when it's a warm spring day and at Walton Heath.

The course was playing well thanks to Fred, Harry and staff and it's not surprising that there were several cards in with over 40 points. The winners of the prizes, which were presented after the dinner were as follows:

1. R. Tempest and H. Tempest 45 pts.

2. J. Kirkpatrick and W. Lofberg 44 pts

3. W. Machin and R. Morris 44 pts

Following an enjoyable dinner at which 110 sat down, your President, Mr. Jack Wallis-Arther, introduced the Captain of Walton-Health Golf Club, Mr. A. C. Bryant.

Mr. Bryant welcomed the Southern Section and in proposing the B.G.G.A., said how much he had enjoyed the day and gave the invitation to return on some future occasion to Walton-Heath.

Mr. C. A. Moore replied for the Association

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F. W. Ford, Hon. Sec., proposed the Guests and for the Guests Mr. Toope replied.

The Raffle brought the evening to a conclusion, the proceeds of which went to the Benevolent Fund. I would like to record our grateful thanks to everyone who contributed towards making the Annual Dinner such a successful and enjoyable day.

#### **New Members**

A warm welcome to the following New Members whose names are listed below:

I. Huggett (Tyrells Wood), F. C. Duhig (Gillingham) W. R. Mitchell (Perranporth), R. K. Chudusch (Hampstead) and R. D. Grand of the Rye Golf Club.

## **NORTH EAST**

Chairman: Mr. J. SIMPSON By G. Jeffries Hon. Secretary: 55 Brackenfield Road, Framwell Gate Moor Durham

#### **Autumn Tournament**

Our Autumn Golf Tournament will be held on Tuesday, 18th September 1973, on the Gosforth Bridle Path Golf Course by kind permission of their Captain and Committee. This will be the usual 27-hole event, teeing off around 9.00 am. Lunch and high tea will be available.

#### **New Members**

We welcome to the section the following new members and hope their association will be a happy one.

G. Brown Wishart, Garesfield Golf Club, High Spen.

B. Skipper, of Eaglescliffe Golf Club, Teesside.

## SHEFFIELD SECTION

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#### Lecture

The final lecture of the season at Abbeydale Golf Club on 5th April was given by Mr. G. Vaughan, of Ransomes Ltd., and covered the

latest range of Ransomes Hahn Turf Management Equipment.

We thank Mr. Vaughan for a very interesting afternoon and also for the refreshments afterwards.

The attendance at the lectures, held in the afternoon, has been very encouraging, indeed, with an average of 45 members present each month.

#### Outing

The outing to Cannock Fertiliser Ltd., is on Tuesday, 12th June; coach departs from Harmer Lane (Pond Street Bus Station) at 9.30 am. There are still a few seats left if you have found that at the last minute you would like to go.

#### New Member

We welcome to the section K. Beck, Head Greenkeeper at Tankersley Park Golf Club, who has joined us from the North West section.

# WELSH

By J. Rees

Chairman: H. FRY Hon. Secretary: Neath Golf Club, Cadoxten, Neath, Glamorgan

Qualifying for the Ransomes Tournament, to be held in October, will be decided on the best aggregate scores for the Spring, Summer and Autumn Tournaments.

Our President, Mr. R. N. Bird, has very kindly supplied transport to and from Ipswich, the tournament venue. The three team members will have their expenses for the week paid by Ransomes Sims and Jefferies Ltd.

#### Summer Tournament

Our Summer Tournament will be held at the Royal Porthcawl Golf Club, on 2nd July 1973, by kind permission of the Captain and Committee. The format comprises 18 holes in the morning, with the Annual General Meeting taking place in the afternoon.

#### **Autumn Tournament**

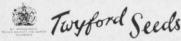
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