

People, Places, Products

The annual Parker tournament for greenkeepers was staged at Cuddington (Banstead) GC, Surrey and attended by representatives of 70 golf clubs.

Company chairman George Parker and his wife presented the prizes to: 1st (Parker Bowl) Stuart McMillan, Leatherhead, with 44 points; 2nd Martin Smith, Porters Park; 3rd Ian Smith, Cuddington; 4th Roger Glazier, Cuddington; 5th Derek Gould, Langley Park and 6th Neville Shade, Foxhills.

Parkers would like to thank David Scott, club secretary, for his help in organising the event and Hugh Riggins, head greenkeeper, and his staff for a course in top condition.

The British Turf Irrigation Association has produced an A5 booklet entitled *Your Guide To The British Turf Irrigation Association* to help clients understand fully golf course irrigation systems offered by BTIA members and the arrangements for installation.

The booklet also encourages customers to consult with the association's independent secretary to help remove any cause of dissatisfaction.

The guide will be distributed by association members with tenders and similar documents. It is also available free on request, with a list of BTIA members, from The Secretary, BTIA, 3 Ferrands Park Way, Harden, Bingley, West Yorkshire, BD16 1HZ.

Tufturf tee mats by Carpetation were introduced in August 1985 and after ten months sales had topped 500, with customers in the UK, as well as France, Holland and Switzerland.

PGA pro and leading teacher John Stirling recommended Tufturf tee mats for the National Sports Centre, Lilleshall and at the Mere Golf and Country Club, Cheshire, 48sq m of practice driving tee, consisting of a concrete base covered with 4 x 2m x 1m tee



Stuart McMillan with Mr and Mrs George Parker.

mats and 40sq m of Tufturf Multisport Surface Material, have been built.

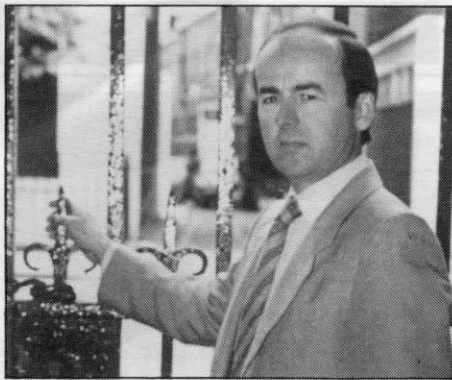
It is possible to build entire tees

with Tufturf, offering obvious labour savings and reductions in installation costs.



A building of modern design for the STRI establishment.

Many distinguished guests witnessed the opening of the new main offices and laboratories of the Sports Turf Research Institute by John Smith, chairman of the Sports Council. The STRI has occupied parts of the Mansion House within the St Ives Estate at Bingley since its inception in 1929. A decision, taken some time ago by the district council, to rehouse the institute resulted in the purpose-designed building within the former walled garden of the estate. STRI research staff will continue to occupy the separate coach house block, as well as the soil physics laboratory, which plays an important role in the drainage and construction consultancy service.



Richard Fry.

A new marketing and PR consultancy, specialising in the sports, recreation and leisure industries, has been formed by Richard Fry. Marketing Link Associates can be contacted at 24 Badgers Court, Langdon Hills, Basildon, Essex SS16 6AU. Tel: 0268 413798.

The new address of the British Agrochemicals Association is 4 Lincoln Court, Lincoln Road, Peterborough PE1 2RP. Tel: 0733 49225.

Trident of Compstall is now known as Trident. The company is located at Poplar Site, Knutsford Road, Lymm, Cheshire WA13 0TD. Tel: 092575 6070.

Richard Lawrence, managing director of Trident, commenting on the move said: "This move to larger premises will enable Trident to continue offering customers a most efficient service as the demand for our products continues to grow."

SISIS Hydromain tractor units now incorporate higher rated engines. The Mk II Hydromain Fourteen has been restyled and the foot controls, fuel tank, brakes and stabilisers improved. Power steering is available. Two engine options are available - a twin-cylinder air-cooled petrol engine of 18hp SAE rating (13.4kw) or a twin-cylinder water-cooled diesel engine of 13.8hp SAE rating (10.35kw).

The Hydromain Twenty replaces the earlier Seventeen and is also available in two options - a twin-cylinder air-cooled petrol engine of 20hp SAE rating (14.92kw) or a three-cylinder water-cooled diesel engine 19.8hp SAE rating (14.8kw).

These new engines provide increased power and the diesel

New Ground Driven Fertiliser Spreader



The new mini-spreader from Wessex Farm Machinery.

Wessex Farm Machinery has introduced a new trailed fertiliser distributor suitable for professional or domestic use.

The new mini-spreader has a spinning disc distributor plate, with four deflector blades, protected by a special anti-corrosive finish. The spinning disc is ground driven through heavy-duty bevel gears immersed in an oil bath. The wide-profile pneumatic tyres have a turf-tread pattern to minimise compaction on fine turf areas.

The conical hopper holds some 150lb, depending on the type of fertiliser, and has a corrosion resistant paint finish. The hopper

is mounted on a sturdy tubular frame, with the drawbar adjustable according to the position of the tow hitch on the tractor.

The Wessex mini-spreader is suitable for use with most garden tractors and specially suits diesel engine driven ride-on mowers, such as the Kubota G3HST.

The mini-spreader can be used for granular and powdered fertilisers, grass seed and salt. Spread widths range from 6ft 7in to 26ft, depending on ground speed, with application rates from 52-410 grammes per square metre for granular fertiliser.

The Wessex mini-spreader costs £265 (plus VAT).

units give the additional advantage of operational economy.

Prices of the machines have been held.



The SISIS Hydromain Fourteen Mk 11 fitted with a deep slitter.

Select A Spreader

The new Parkers' range of fertiliser spreaders comprises four models - the Standard, Professional, Super Professional and Master. All feature ten position controllers to adjust spreading rates, vibrating gate and steel frames finished in baked and epoxy enamel, stainless steel rotary agitators and spread widths of between 5-8ft.

The Standard has a zinc plated steel hopper, 16/49 gears and

gearbox and standard duty 8in x 1.75in plastic wheels. Capacity is around 40lb.

The Professional incorporates a stainless steel hopper with high polish, brushed finish, 16/49 gears and gearbox and heavy duty 8in x 2.25in plastic wheels. Capacity is similar to the Standard.

Parkers' 40lb capacity Super Professional spreader, again, has a high polish, brushed finish stainless steel hopper, 16/49 gears and gearbox, but 8.75in x 2.8in pneumatic tyres.

Top-of-the-range, the 90lb capacity Master, features 10in wheels with nylon bearings and smooth tread tyres. Hoppers are made from low polish, smooth finish stainless steel, protected with a bump bar/hand hold. Handles are double bolted and double braced and the axle, spinner shaft, rotary agitator, on/off control cable and all nuts and bolts are stainless steel.

Full details from T. Parker & Sons (Turf Management), Worcester Park, Surrey KT4 7NF. Tel: 01-337 7791.



The Master, Super Professional, Professional and Standard - all from Parkers.

Agar Goes Jumbo Sized

Agar Equipment has added a semi-trailed sweeper-collector with a jumbo-sized box to its range.

It is available in three widths, 4ft, 5ft and 6ft in capacities of 1.30cu m, 1.60cu m and 1.87cu m (approximately) and can be supplied as a complete sweeper-collector unit, or the box and trailer only can be provided for

fitting to existing sweepers.

Agar claims that, by positioning the front wheels on a centre line of the brush, accurate height adjustment is possible from 0 to 3in, enabling the sweeper to follow ground contours closely. And by fitting fully castoring wheels to the rear, Agar says the jumbo is more easily reversed and overall manoeuvrability improved.

The sweeper will collect leaves, grass and rubbish (where practicable) from lawns, fairways,

formal grass areas and paths. Driven by a double vee belt from the pto driven gearbox, it is three-point linkage mounted and suitable for use with any tractor having pto.

The collection box can be emptied without the operator leaving the tractor seat. A canvas dust cover is standard.

Further information from Agar Equipment, Unit H 7/9, Blackpole Trading Estate, Worcester, Worcestershire WR3 8SG.

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The Secretary,
Cotswold Hills Golf Club,
Ullenwood,
Cheltenham,
GLOS GL53 9QT.

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Applications are invited from persons of proven ability in all aspects of Course Management. The successful applicant will be responsible to the Secretary for the full management of the Course and maintaining it to existing high standards.

Applications in writing, stating age, qualifications and experience, to:

The Secretary
Knole Park Golf Club
Seal Hollow Road
Sevenoaks
Kent TN15 0HJ