

MACHINERY REVIEW...

Stately Setting For Professional Grass And Turf Equipment Show



The splendid backdrop of Stratfield Saye House, with its 30 acres of landscaped grounds, provided the perfect setting for a demonstration of three new items of professional grass and turf maintenance equipment from Huxleys Grass Machinery.

The company's full range of equipment, which includes the Cushman, Huxley, Royer, Little David, Red Rider and Yankee product names, as well as the latest introductions, were shown as part of a three-day exhibition.

Staged at the country estate of the Duke and Duchess of Wellington, situated midway between Reading and Basingstoke, the exhibition attracted one group of visitors from Madrid.

Their interest centred on Huxley-made attachments for the Cushman turf care system and particularly the latest addition to the range - the H44 Fine Turf Scarifier for use with Cushman Turf Truckster vehicles.

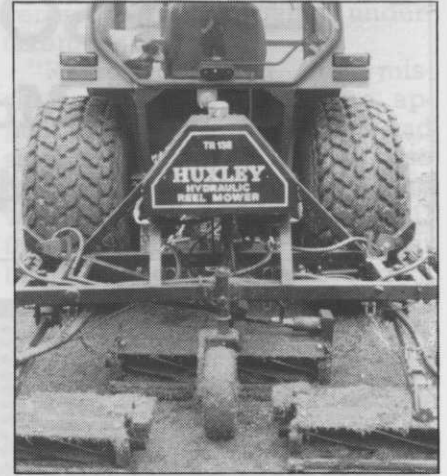
Of identical working width, and operating details, the Huxley TV36 Fine Turf Scarifier has been produced by the company for use with the smaller compact tractors in the 14 to 18hp range. The Huxley H44 and TV36 Fine Turf Scarifiers both cost £1,335 (plus VAT).

The second machine making its first major public working appearance at Huxley's Stratfield Saye exhibition was the latest Cushman Front Line ride-on rotary mower with its three-cylinder, 21.5hp diesel-engine, priced from £9,830 (plus VAT).

But of special interest to golf greenkeepers, with undulating fairways to maintain, was the Huxley TR138 Golf Course five-gang hydraulic reel mower, with its new floating top link and rear castor wheel options.

Although providing all the transport and manoeuvrability benefits of a fully tractor-mounted machine, these two optional

Pictures show the 3.5m (11ft 6in) cut Huxley TR138 Golf Course mower.



items give the mower the characteristics of a trailed unit in work, allowing the frame to follow ground contours independently of the tractor.

The Huxley TR138 Golf Course mower has twinroll floating head cutting units as standard and is equipped with seven-knife reels for a precision finish.

In standard form, this 11ft 6in (3.5m) cut mower, which requires tractors developing a minimum of just 25hp, costs £6,700 (plus VAT). The floating top link and castor wheel options for undulating surfaces add £125 (plus VAT).

Huxleys can arrange demonstrations of any item of equipment throughout the country, either direct or through appointed dealers.

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