



DX Tee Ground Mats

Aldwark Manor is the home of BIGGA... it is also the hotel golf course upon which Maxwell Hart have recently supplied SOKO DX Tee Ground mats for every single teeing area, this following year long trials of the DX mats on selected tees.

This most popular winter mat, for which Maxwell Hart are sole UK distributors, is available in two sizes - 90 mm x 1800 mm x 15 mm and 1250 mm x 2000 mm x 15 mm - and includes a design that incorporates the highest specification nylon artificial turf pile, integral rubber shock padding and tee peg holders and slots that are incorporated into the structure. The result is a mat that is spike resistant, offering excellent club head/turf pile interaction.

● Pictured above at Aldwark Manor, from left: Richard Gamble; Head Greenkeeper, Andrew Law; Maxwell Hart Northern Area Manager, David Golding; BIGGA Education Officer, John Taylor; Maxwell Hart's Northern Sales Manager, Geoff Platt; Golf Director, Aldwark Manor (with club in hand).

Westurf '91

The South West and South Wales Region of BIGGA have a knack of doing things with flair and style and the WESTURF Turfcare Trade Exhibition, now approaching its third successful year, is no exception. Born of a desire to actively promote a regional exhibition especially for those in the West and South West, the exhibition has established itself as one that rises to the big occasion whilst still retaining the friendly element of a county fair.

This year sees the prospect of WESTURF 91 being both bigger and better than ever before, with the promise of both local traders and many internationally known manufacturers in attendance.

Firmly established at the easy to reach location of Long Ashton Golf Club, Bristol, the event will again take place there on 1 May from 10.00 am to 5.00 pm.

Unlike so many exhibitions, WESTURF 91 is a show where costs are kept within very acceptable limits and it is to the credit of organiser Gordon Child that this year sees the inclusion of a stand manned by The Institute of Groundsmanship, for the bond between greenkeeper and groundsman is one to encourage and nurture.

There is still time for traders, local and international alike, to take space and a call to Gordon Child will bring full details. To coin a phrase of Gordon's, 'the trade wanted it, the public have delighted in it and the region thrives on it'. It should not be missed! Call Gordon Child on 0803-844056 for more details.

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Kawasaki brochure

Kawasaki advise us that a brochure, entitled, 'Recommended Replacement Engines' has recently been pro-



duced, listing a wide variety of commercial equipment and offering suggestions of suitable Kawasaki engines that will replace an original fitment.

Noisy equipment is not easily tolerated and a solution may be found by fitting a larger capacity engine that produces the necessary power but at lower operating speeds than the original. The Kawasaki FC Series of vertical shaft OHV engines are very compact and can therefore often replace smaller capacity units, giving the operator more torque for less noise - while in addition Kawasaki has paid careful attention to noise reduction.

Rufford's new range

Rufford Top Dress Supplies Ltd is a name totally familiar to BIGGA members, not only as suppliers of fine products but also as one of the Association's more generous sponsors.

We at Greenkeeper International are always pleased to publicise a success story and never happier than when broadcasting one that involves BIGGA sponsors, for we feel in some small way we share in their success. Thus we take pleasure in learning that following the opening earlier in 1990 of their new and now fully operational quarry at Warrington, Rufford quite justifiably boast a complete range of products that will meet the most diverse needs of any Golf Club.

The 'Number Two' range, produced at their Warrington quarry, comprises top dressings, soils and sands, all of which are now well established.

Recent scientific tests have confirmed the high quality of the materials at the Warrington Quarry and two championship courses have already used the Rufford 'Number Two' dressing.

The new quarry at Warrington is vastly larger than the Rufford Quarry, with enormous reserves of soil and sands and with the installation of modern processing plant is able to grade sand to produce an ideal product for all types of drainage, hollow tining, bunkers and also as an ideal product for dressing sand-only greens.

Commenting on the new range, Managing Director, Peter Jefford said 'with the development of a courser top dressing, Rufford 'Number Three', being available shortly; and with individual requirements becoming more specific, we can now satisfy most needs'.

This means that Rufford not only provides a full range but also a number of choices to suit customer budget and course stipulations. They guarantee a consistency of quality and service for a minimum of

twenty years.

BIGGA/ICI 'plan' together

In a unique collaboration with BIGGA, ICI Professional Products have produced a free 1991 work planner for every member.

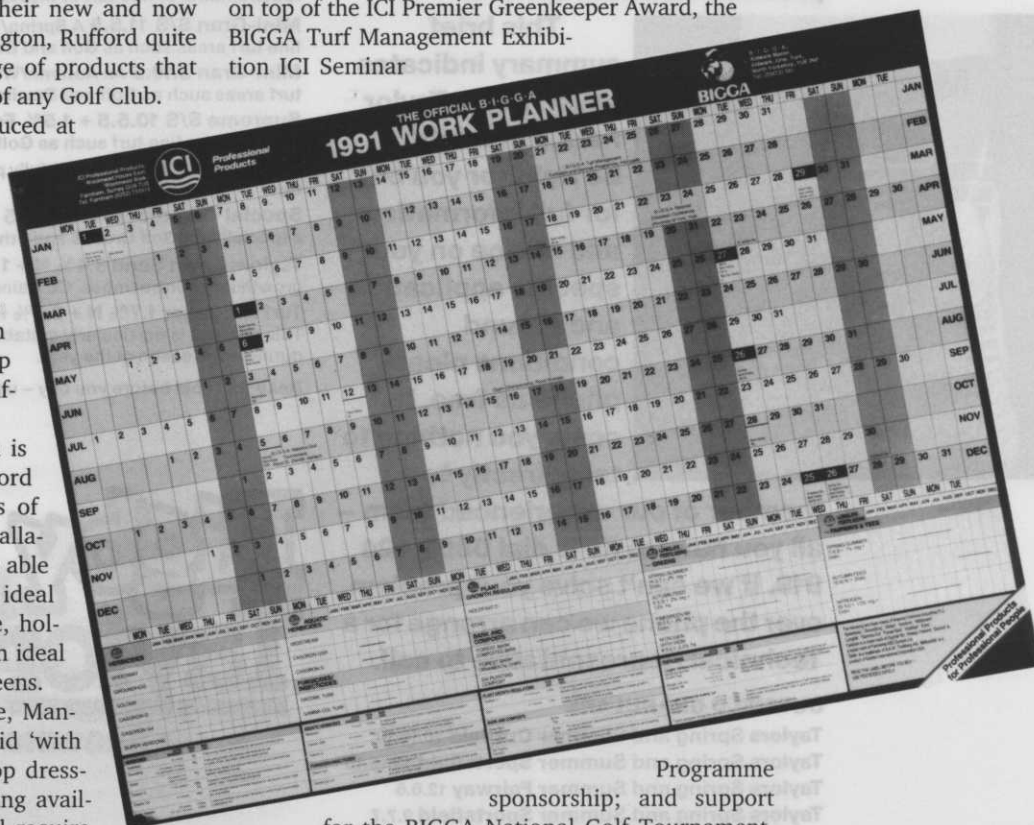
This colourful 30" x 20" wall planner illustrates the complete year at a glance and highlights all major BIGGA events. In addition, a valuable seasonal guide to the use of pesticides is featured together with details of products and their chemical active ingredients.

Double laminated, the work planner is both hard wearing and resistant to moisture, making it suitable for workshed or office use. The planner may be written upon and can be wiped clean if a dry felt tip is used.

Announcing its introduction, Neil Thomas; BIGGA's Executive Director stated: 'Once again ICI Professional Products have initiated a major new work aid for greenkeepers. This complete planner may be used as a work activity, appointment or holiday record aid, it highlights important dates and is an immediate source of product use information'.

'This new and exciting ICI initiative comes on top of the ICI Premier Greenkeeper Award, the BIGGA Turf Management Exhibition ICI Seminar

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Programme sponsorship; and support for the BIGGA National Golf Tournament. There is no doubt that ICI Professional Products are not just taking from our industry but ploughing back a great deal of money, expertise and enthusiasm into important areas like education, training and industry development. They fully deserve our support in return'.