



■ If you are a 'computerised greenkeeper' the new easy-to-use Datagem computer software, launched by Rhone-Poulenc at IOG, will be of special value. The package is filled with beneficial features to assist the pesticide user, simplifying calibration of knapsack, power sprayers and granular applicators whilst calculating precise product and water levels and quantities per fill. A detailed advisory/legal section on all aspects of legislation to pesticide use in the UK is included, as is information on pests and diseases and conversion tables (metric to imperial and vice-versa). Information entered is automatically stored and all sections can be printed-out. Datagem operates on all IBM compatible computers and is available with full instructions. Price is £286. Tel: 0277 261414.

■ Allett Mowers have chosen two Kubota GH series OHV petrol engines to power their new commercial mower – the Buffalo. Kubota's GH120 3.7 hp petrol engine is fitted to the Buffalo 20" whilst the 24" and 27" machines have the 5.5 hp GH 170. Mechanical decompression is standard on both engines, giving a 40% lighter pull tension than conventional side valve units and a reduction in vibration of 10%. Tel. Kubota: 08421 4500 or Allett: 0536 68950.

■ Hayter Beaver's recently launched computer-linked direct spares ordering system has created great interest from both dealers and professional users. After seeing the

system demonstrated at IOG, more dealers have signed on and the company now have 30 outlets nationwide committed to using the new database. The idea is a simple one: Spares needed are keyed in, the viewdata screen displays the availability and the dealer can place an order there and then. Details: 0279 723444.

■ Lely (UK) Ltd have introduced a new 24 hour TORO 'unit-down' express parts delivery service from their stores at St Neots, Cambs. If a part is not in stock in the UK a trans-Atlantic air service from the USA is available at no extra charge. Such flown parts will be delivered to the final location within 72 hours. Tel: 0480 76971.



■ Lloyds of Letchworth have announced the appointment of Devon Garden Machinery to represent them in Cornwall, Devon and parts of Somerset. The Torquay-based DGM was established eight years ago by Alan and Jeannette Dommett, employs two reps to care for the Club side; and recognising the importance of after-sales service, the operation is backed by a seven-strong service team and full spares back-up. Lloyds themselves have probably been knocking back the 'champers' recently, their MD, Glenn Bray, having celebrating 30 years of service since joining the company as a youth straight from school. What a record! Tel: 0462

683031. Pictured: Derek Haley, Lloyds Sales Director, top, with Alan Dommett.

■ Seamac Agricultural Ltd, suppliers of the well known 'Greentec' range and other foliar stimulants for amenity use, has been acquired by WBC Technology Ltd and will in future be based at WBC's H.Q. in Saffron Walden, Essex. Seamac's merchant customers will continue to be fully supported and the Seamac brand will benefit from a new development programme. Tel: 0799 30146.

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