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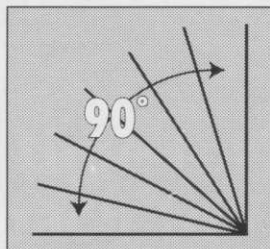
With its 51-inch shaft, even high or wide neatly shaped bushes are always within your reach - without you having to wade into the bed.

The real secret of the HCA-2400, however, lies in its 90-degree articulating gearbox. Adjustable in 15-degree increments, this unique feature makes shaping, trimming and topping so easy.

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- 20-inch double sided blades
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Education Update

BY KEN
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Get your name down now for some top titles

This month sees the deadlines for entry to two of BIGGA's major competitions, ie the Miracle Premier Greenkeeper of the Year and the Toro/Lely/PGA European Tour Student Greenkeeper of the Year, so make sure that your entry has been submitted by the closing date.

Miracle Premier Greenkeeper of the Year

The race to find the 1996 Miracle Premier Greenkeeper of the Year is hotting up. You still have time to nominate your choice, however, as entries need to be at HQ by 31 May, you need to make sure that your nomination is in the post. Does your Head Greenkeeper deserve to be recognised for his efforts? Does your greenkeeping team want to win £500? Do you want to visit the GCSAA show in Las Vegas in February 1997 for free? If the answer to any of the above is yes then get your nomination in TODAY by filling in the pre-paid card in the magazine, filling in an official entry form or by telephoning me on 01347 838581. Course visits, by a BIGGA regional representative and by a previous Master Greenkeeper finalist will take place throughout the Summer and the National Final will take place at Aldwark Manor on 1/2 December.

agers but are for all greenkeepers looking to improve their supervisory skills and become the course managers of tomorrow. Plans are well advanced for the next series of courses to take place in the Autumn of 1996 and Spring of 1997, in all five BIGGA regions and in Eire. By popular request, further Essential Management Skills courses will be held in each region and new for this year will be two day courses in Budgeting and Finance for Greenkeepers and Golf Course Health and Safety Management. All courses will, again, be heavily subsidised by the BIGGA Education and Development Fund, allowing the cost of courses to be kept to a minimum. Further details and an application form will appear in June's edition of Greenkeeper International. Make sure that you join the two hundred greenkeepers already trained this year by applying early.

Health and Safety Training

BIGGA can arrange Pesticide Training Courses and First Aid Training Courses in your region or even at your golf club. If you or any of your staff need to be trained or need refresher training then contact me at HQ. Minimum course numbers need to be six.

TORO/Lely/PGA European Tour Student of the Year

Entries for this competition need to be at Aldwark Manor by 31 May 1996. Regional judging will take place during the week commencing 2 September with the National Final taking place on 13/14 October at Aldwark Manor.

Regional Supervisory Management Training

These courses are not just for head greenkeepers/course man-

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"Hand cutting greens"
Adrian Porter, Greatham Valley GC