

NEW PRODUCTS



■ Overcoming the traditional objections of workers in low risk areas to wearing head protection provided by employers because of its perceived discomfort and inconvenience – the new First Base from Protector combines full shift comfort for the wearer with the fashion appeal of a Baseball cap.

Protection against bumps

and scrapes is provided by the moulded ABS inner skull cap, with the option of an additional self-adhesive, foam disk spacer if required.

The First Base's low profile also makes it suitable for use with Protector earmuffs and the design is compatible with wearing goggles. Fully adjustable, First Base has air vents which improve comfort by allowing a cooling airflow

inside the cap.

For employers who like their staff to carry a corporate identity, the branding and colour options of First Base are unlimited. Both printed and embroidered images are options and minimum production runs are surprisingly low.

For further information contact Protector Technologies Tel: 01252 342353.

■ You've all heard about "under-soil heating systems" but what about "over-soil heating systems"? Liquid Sod have come up with the inflatable, frameless Growing Dome. In essence, the Dome covers the smallest of greens or tees in order to carry out repair work to turf in bad weather conditions, establish seeds at any time of the year, or lay brand new turf at exactly the right temperature and humidity – with enough room inside to walk around and use machinery – he can do so. The Liquid Sod Growing Dome has also been used on standard sized golf greens and tees, bowling greens, cricket pitches and several other areas requiring renovation – in the UK and in Europe.

The Growing Dome is an "over-soil heating system" and equally, it can be an "over-soil cooling system".

What is a Liquid Sod inflatable, frameless Growing Dome and how does it work? The Dome is made from an extremely strong,

large piece of plastic which is durable, waterproof and semi-transparent. Warm or cool air is blown into the Dome by one or two (depending on the size of the Dome) relatively quietly running fans to inflate the Dome to its full capacity by way of a process very similar to the way air is blown into a hot air balloon.

Temperatures and humidity inside the Dome are gauged and maintained by a thermostatically controlled air heating/cooling system which is supplied with the Dome.

The material used is imported from the USA and is tough enough to hold a man's weight while he works on top of the Dome.

Liquid Sod make Domes to any size or shape required) The Dome is delivered in kit form and erected on-site by the Liquid Sod team and the customer is shown how to carry out the erecting and dismantling process

If you want to know more

From the original "Picnic on the grass" by Manet 1862-3.

To stand the test of time you need a special quality.



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Until you've had a few scorching hot summers, the odd attack from pests or plague and a chance to calculate maintenance costs, the wisdom of your seed selection will never be known.

That's why you need the Barenbrug promise of quality.

By combining the best of tradition and technology we've created some of the best varieties around - Barclay, Bargreen, Baruba and the exciting new Barkoel and Barlinda - making them available in a range of quality mixtures that takes the guesswork out of selection.

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about the Growing Dome, you can contact Liquid Sod direct on 01963 251129.

Ransomes has introduced an updated version of its renowned Ryan GA30 self propelled ride-on aerator designed for use by golf greenkeepers, groundstaff and turf maintenance professionals.

Introduced to satisfy customers' requests and the latest health and safety requirements and the principal upgrades for this season focus on the GA30's power unit and steering system. Superseding the previously-used Kohler Magnum engine is the new 18hp Kohler Command unit which delivers a smoother, quieter power output with improved fuel efficiency.

A conventional steering wheel replaces the "cow-horn" steering handles previously fitted. The new steering wheel, together with geared reduction within the steering system, provides improved operation, manoeuvrability and operator convenience. All 1997 Ryan GA30's also have full CE approval and feature additional safety cut-out switches for safer operation and use.

The Ryan GA30 costs £12,955 fitted with 16mm coring tines and twin windrowing blades.

For further information Tel: 01473 270000.

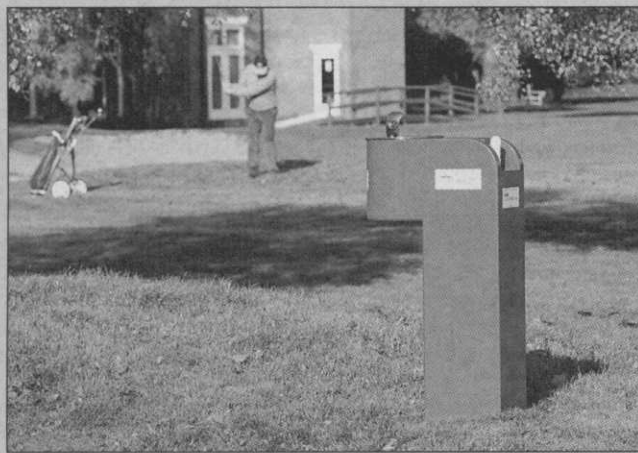
It either grows too quickly, or not at all. Two common problems for the landscaping professional. But not any more.

Barenbrug has the answer to both problems.

Bar Slow Motion features the lowest short-growth varieties listed on the STRI Turf Seed Guide; contains 40% Barkoel (a new species), a crested hair grass and is ideal for any low maintenance area. Its highly compact sward has an excellent colour all year round. And with the addition of perennial ryegrass, the mixture offers even better wear tolerance and quicker establishment; yet it still reduces maintenance costs by up to half.

Bar Shade, meanwhile, is a specialist mixture, containing Barcampia (turfed hairgrass), designed to offer the best performance in any areas shaded by trees, fences, buildings and so forth.

For further information Tel: 01359 270766.



A facility which will enhance any golf course and be readily appreciated by members and visitors is the patented Maestro Golfstream.

This combines a fresh water drinking fountain with a special washer for golf balls. By placing Golfstream units in the tee areas, golfers will be able to revive themselves with a refreshing drink of water and, at the same time, ensure that their golf balls are clean before teeing off.

The drinking fountain features a stainless steel bowl

and bubbler for durability and hygiene. Operation is by means of a push button.

The ball washer is behind the fountain and bowl and uses water directly from the fountain so it never runs dry. The entire unit is 960mm high.

The Golfstream is easy to install and can be connected to the existing water supply.

Manufactured of mild steel, it is robust and is ideal for use close to the clubhouse or in remote tee areas.

For further information Tel: 0181 302 4035.

The Moisture Smart from Amenity Technology has been designed to replicate evapotranspiration losses based upon the Penman equation using evaporation from an enclosed container. The moisture smart is small enough to place out of the way near to the playing surface without interfering with play. The rotating gauge on the top of the unit makes it easy to record what day the reading was last taken. The unit can also be placed in the path of the sprinkler unit for those who cannot monitor precisely the quantity of water they are applying. The moisture smart also takes into account any rainfall, if we should be so lucky! The moisture smart is available at the cost of £37.50.

For further details contact Amenity Technology Tel: 0118 951 0033.

The new Jacobsen LF-135 Turbo features a 35 horsepower, fuel efficient turbo-charged Kubota diesel engine.

The turbo power goes straight to heavy-duty seven inch diameter reels to tackle tough, warm

season turf, wet conditions or hilly terrain. The heavy-duty lift arms are designed for tough conditions while the large, wide tyres offer a light footprint. With FlashAttach any reel can be changed in around 30 seconds without tools.

There is a hydraulic oil monitor, alarm horn and the high-back suspension seat reduces operator fatigue. Easy-to-set grass shields allows for quickly changed discharge direction.

For further information Tel: 01536 417777.

Following a thorough review of the Allen Power Equipment range of Walkover Sprayers in conjunction with TeeJet Spray Products a number of enhancements have been made.

Firstly all the diaphragm check valves (DCV) were converted to the high quality range of Chem-Saver DCV's from Spraying Systems Company. This range of DCV's is the popular choice of most quality sprayer manufacturers world wide and is noted for its accurate and consistent shut off. They are made of nylon for

long life, with self aligning caps to take the full range of TeeJet Nozzles. Secondly and probably most importantly the spray nozzles were changed to the new Patented Turbo FloodJet. An inherent problem with normal anvil type nozzles is the "heavy edges" which can be seen as striping. This new nozzle from TeeJet overcomes these problems. It has a pre orifice design to produce larger droplets, to reduce the problem of drift off the target spray area, and a special turbulence chamber to create a more uniform spray pattern giving a more even distribution of chemical application. Also the large round orifice resists blocking. The polymer spray nozzles are colour coded to the proposed International Standards Organisation (ISO) colour coding system likely to be introduced by all spray tip manufacturers over the next few years.

For further information Tel: 01235 515400.

The 1997 Professional Hayterette has been ergonomically re-designed with a reduced wheelbase and re-angled handle bars giving better balance and manoeuvrability.

The long life aluminium finned deck ensures the grass is in optimum cutting position, with the friction disc protecting the crankshaft from impact damage. Swinging blades are available as an option to the cutterbar. The height of cut is controlled by a single lever control, giving a height of cut between 13mm and 70mm, and a cutting width of 460mm.

With wheels that can be locked in a raised position to avoid movement during transportation, and powered by a Honda GXV 140A engine, this machine is well suited to the varied duties of local authority and contract work, and is designed to cope with all types of grass, particularly in the rough, where access is limited by trees or shrubbery.

For further information Tel: 01279 723444.

SCH (Supplies) Limited has introduced a new powered rotary scarifier to its range of attachments for towing behind Estate and Garden tractors. The Rotary Raker 2 is designed to remove the build up of dead thatch and moss from grassed areas.

For further information Tel: 01473 328272.