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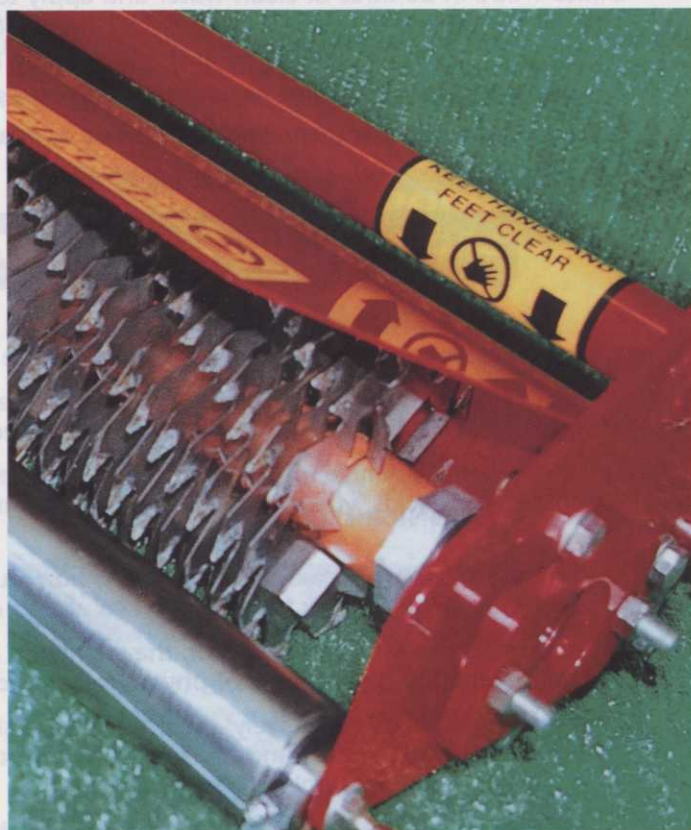
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Greenkeeper International

Tungsten tips for new verticut units



The new THATCH-AWAY 480T Verticutting unit fits most common greens triple mowers and incorporates a wide range of new features designed to overcome the various problems traditionally associated with verticutting.

The most obvious feature is the unique FAN-FORCE blade design which not only has Tungsten Tipped teeth that cut exceptionally cleanly and resist wear, but also incorporates six fan paddles on each blade to create a strong draught which blows the cuttings right into

the grassbox. In addition a larger throw plate which fits closer to the blades helps to ensure that the cuttings fill the boxes full without dropping back onto the green.

Full width rollers and micro height adjusters enable these units to be used for very light regular grooming. However, the close spacing of the FAN-FORCE blades and the hooked profile of their teeth also allows them to cut deeper when required to remove heavy build ups of thatch and prune the tillers to stimulate vigorous new growth.

Farmura's new spraying system

The F25 Spraying System from Farmura, successful in the bowling market has also been taken up by Golf Clubs with great enthusiasm. The new Farmura F25 Mark II reflects a number of improvements suggested by users including an extra bracket to the 1.5 metre spray boom, fold-down handlebars for easier transport and storage and a bolted frame for easy maintenance.

Together with its instant start/stop spraying action, rechargeable battery and unique pivot tank the F25 Mark II is all set to continue its success story.

Also available is a Hand Lance for working around trees, spot treatment an landscaped areas and a Pocket Bleeper to ensure accurate spraying.

For further information Tel: 01233 756 241

Huxley's all-weather solution

Hampshire-based firm, Huxleys, has established a specialist division dedicated to the professional supply and installation of premier quality all-weather turf surfaces for golf courses - see Sisis/Huxley story.

Known as Huxley Golf, the new division has been formed in the wake of a highly successful 18 months during which Huxleys have supplied and installed all-weather synthetic turf surfaces at public and private golf clubs nation-wide and been selected by the English Golf Union as an official supplier to The National Golf Centre at Woodhall Spa.

Huxley Golf surfaces installed at The National Golf Centre comprise three practice tees and a putting green, enabling golf practice and teaching to continue at Woodhall Spa throughout the year irrespec-

tive of conditions underfoot or the level of use.

The principal application for the range of all-weather synthetic turf surfaces being supplied and installed by Huxley Golf is as a premier quality replacement for natural turf used on golf tees, practice tees, paths, cartways, putting greens and golf greens.

"Customers have looked to our specialist team to solve a variety of problems with natural turf caused by high levels of use, bad weather and poor growing conditions or high maintenance and repair costs," explained director, Paul Huxley.

"Our experience has shown that proper advice and expert installation are the keys to providing an alternative surface which looks, feels and reacts just like the real thing. We also offer technical assis-



tance and maintenance advice to ensure that the surface remains in first-class condition."

For further information on the capabilities of the premier all-weather synthetic surfaces available

from Huxley Golf, and a customer list, please contact Paul or Barry Huxley, Huxley Golf, The Dean, New Alresford, Hampshire SO24 9BL, UK. Tel: 01962 733222. Fax: 01962 734702.

Flowtronex hotwires the market

FLOWTRONEX PSI has unveiled a new product designed to immediately and accurately alert pumping system users to potential system problems.

"The pumping system is the heart of the irrigation system. It's the first critical place on a golf course. If a significant problem develops, you want to know exactly what the problem is right now," said Jon Williams, FLOWTRONEX PSI Product Development Engineer.

The device, called HotWire, is the only auto-dialer on the market that informs the user of the specific problem through a paging system.

With HotWire, the customer monitors up to four specific functions, such as a power failure or a hard fault, by assigning each a 1-5 digit code. If a problem occurs, it picks up the phone, dials the pager service and punches in the code to appear on the end-user's pager.



Tri-Ag Ltd of Wymondham in Norfolk has introduced the TM40 Trailed Rotary Cutter, a robust, high capacity unit with its own engine and one metre (40in) cutting width.

Suitable for use behind an ATV, the relatively narrow width of the TM40 enables it to operate virtually anywhere an ATV can go.

Of equal importance, the one metre cut width is ideal for paths and bridleways and is also narrow enough to pass through restricted access gateways.

Exceptionally robust, the TM40 features a tubular steel chassis and rugged steel deck. It can also be towed behind any vehicle with a tow hitch, and runs on 400x8 pneumatic tyres suitable for high transport speeds.

Designed to tackle long grass and



light scrub, the TM40 is powered by a choice of Honda GXV 270 8.5hp or Kawasaki FC290V 9hp engines. Height of cut is adjustable between

18 and 2cm (7 to 3/4in). Prices from £1,650.

Further information Tel: 01472 240869

www.rpal.co.uk

Rhone-Poulenc Amenity has launched an end-user promotion on SUPERTOXTM 30, the respected selective herbicide that controls over 22 weeds in established turf. This promotion coincides with the change of active ingredient from mecoprop to mecoprop-P which reduces the environmental impact of SUPERTOXTM 30 without compromising its performance.

For further information Tel: 01277 301115 or visit their website at www.rpal.co.uk.

Biotal products

Biotal Industrial Products has developed a range of microbial and natural treatments for its Restore the Balance programme aimed at the Professional Sports and Leisure Turf Market. The programme consists of Microbalance, which, when used as part of a managed programme for fine turf, will help prevent fungal problems, enhance nutrient utilisation and improve soil health: Biofeed to stimulate plant growth and Microbooster to enhance the natural soil microbial population.

For further information Tel: 0113 250 0747.