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## A greenkeeper's request

This is a request for information and photographs (which would be returned) from any BIGGA member regarding suitable furniture and fixtures that would be appropriate for a golf course built at the turn of the century and through to the end of the 1960s in 20 year periods.

This would include tee markers, seats, pin and flag design, hole cups and any other accessories that would be in keeping with courses designed between 1900 - 1920, 1920 -1940 and 1940 - 1960.

If anyone has any information

on the above and would be willing to lend it to me for a short period of time, I would be very grateful. Please include a description, including the period during which the item would have been used, and a photograph if possible.

Please contact me at the address below:

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## Carbendazim clear-up 1

I am writing regarding the article on microbes written by Ms Stella Ingelthorpe of Grass Roots Trading Co. which appeared on pages 55-58 of the September issue of Greenkeeper International.

In the article, Ms Ingelthorpe states that 'Production of carbendazim, the last remaining worm control agent (and a fungicide) is to cease at the end of the year

AgrEvo is a major manufacturer of carbendazim and sells this substance to The Scotts Company (UK) Limited which holds registrations for products approved for professional agricultural use on golf greens. Both companies would therefore like to point out that AgrEvo has no current plans to cease its production of carbendazim by the end of 1999 or in future years. Obviously, AgrEvo cannot speak for other carbendazim

manufacturers, but I can add that I have not heard of any such phase-out plans by the other major manufacturers.

I am sure you will appreciate that both AgrEvo and The Scotts Company (UK) Limited will have been understandably concerned at the inaccurate information contained in the article by Ms Ingelthorpe. I would therefore be very grateful if you could include a statement in the next available issue of 'Greenkeeper International' clearly explaining that AgrEvo is not planning to cease its production of carbendazim. This will provide appropriate reassurance to The Scotts Company (UK) Limited and to users of this company's carbendazim-containing products.

Mr R G Evans, Product Safety  
Management, AgrEvo UK Ltd

## Carbendazim clear-up 2

I refer to the article in the September edition of Greenkeeper International, written by Stella Ingelthorpe of Grass Roots Trading, concerning modern microbiology. In this article she states "the production of carbendazim, last remaining worm control (and a fungicide) is to cease at the end of the year, and MAFF are looking carefully at other chemicals on the market".

Your worthy magazine is held in high esteem by your members, and this information has caused concern with greenkeepers who have an on-going problem with worm

casts. I am sure it is difficult to ascertain that the information provided to you in such articles is correct, but the effects of such misinformation can be harmful. Vitax Twincarb contains carbendazim and this active ingredient, I can assure your members, is being supported through the BC Review Programme and the manufacturers do not have any plans to cease the manufacture of this important product

Clive R Williams  
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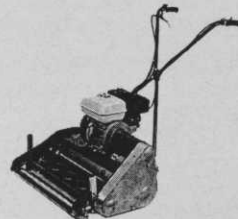
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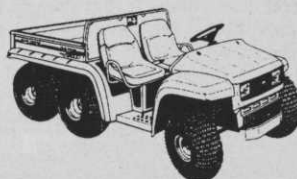
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