NEW PRODUCTS

IT'S ALL IN THE SIGN

A new range of club and course signage is being introduced by Eagle. To extend the range of zinc and bronze signage, Eagle is introducing a new range incorporating granite. Besides corporate, entrance and directional signage, the new granite range will be available in three main sign formats.

As a mow-over range in circular, square and rectangular shapes for both tee-based hole and distance information and as fairway yardage markers. As an alternative to zinc and bronze for the tee plates on the classic timber twin-post signage system. As a similar option for the tee plates on the single timber post range of signage.

The attraction of polished granite lies in the widely-held perception of its high quality, but for club managers and greenkeepers it also has other more practical qualities, including polished granite, which is extremely durable and very easy to maintain and keep clean. The sign's information is reproduced via a computer-generated stencil. A sandblasting process, into which weatherproof enamel paints are finally inlaid, then defines the lettering and figures.

For further information Tel: 01883 344244.



THE ALL ROUNDER

A new product moulded in the shape of a golfbag has been released by the Polytank Group. The Polytee Golfbag Bin will not only help to keep golf courses and driving ranges free from litter, it will encourage impulse sales at golf shops and sports retail outlets, and could even generate extra revenues through advertising, according to the company.

The Polytee golfbag bin, manufactured in tough, durable medium density polyethylene, can be used either as a waste receptacle, outdoors and indoors, or in-store as an eye-catching dispenser for golf clubs, golf balls and other merchandise at the point of sale.

Polytee offers a great opportunity for small businesses to benefit from advertising and sponsorship revenues. These units are ideal for

carrying the logos or promotional messages of external organisations. Alternatively, customers can use Polytees to advertise their own facilities and services claim the manufacturer. Available in a wide range of colours and it is supplied complete with inner moulded liners.

For further information Tel: 01772 632850.

TAKE A LOAD OFF

The LoadRunner
Micro-Dumper, from LoadMaster
Engineering, is designed to make
moving heavy or bulky materials
easier.

The narrow, 28in (715mm) wide LoadRunner benefits from a two-axes Tumbletip self tipping mechanism. This allows the bucket to roll forward, clearing the front of the chassis before rotating to discharge. This facilitates tipping without the need for hydraulic or



manual assistance. It also lowers the centre of gravity for increased stability.

The LoadRunner has select drive 2/4 wheel drive, whereby a friction system

transfers power from the permanently driven front wheels to the rear wheels, as required, via an intermediate idler wheel. This improves handling, reduces fuel consumption and permits quick tyre changes to suit conditions on site. Several different tyre options are available including super wide low ground pressure tyres for use on very delicate turf.

For further information Tel: 0870 3867377.

ENERGY SAVING CHAINSAW

The STIHL MS 650 is equipped with an anti-vibration system, which effectively absorbs vibrations even at high speeds. This saves energy and lets the saw operator work more comfortably, without tiring.

The secret of the chain's soft cut lies in a newly profiled cutter that enables a shock absorbing effect as the cutting edge enters the wood. Together with

the effective anti-vibration system of the MS 650, this makes working with this chainsaw much more comfortable.

Functions include hot and cold starting, run and stop can be controlled via the master lever control on the MS 650. This is both convenient and safer, as the operator's hand does not need to leave the handle.

For further information Tel: 0800 137574.

ZERO TURN

Ferris' commercial family of zero turn mowers offers four wheel suspension as standard. This feature has now undergone significant improvements on the new IS 4500Z, combining front wheel independent suspension with rear wheel

Active Performance Suspension (APS) delivers greater comfort, speed and traction while maintaining a consistent cut. The IS 4500Z is offered with a 61" rear or side 10-gauge deck and is powered by a 27hp CAT diesel engine.

The third generation IS 5000Z now offers a range of advanced features including the new Ferris Hercules spindles designed to give three times more life and an up-rated rear suspension arrangement that incorporates new cast iron A-Arms enabling new softer springs with intrinsic absorption qualities. In addition, the Monroe shock absorbers have been finely tuned to match the exact requirements of the machine and operating conditions, delivering optimum chassis dynamics and allowing the operator to work even faster in greater comfort.

For further information Tel: 0121 5110400.



DEERE ADD TO SERIES

John Deere have launched their brand new commercial mowers alongside a new compact tractor and a new range of Gator utility vehicles.

The 7H17 Commercial hydrostatic walk-behind mower is the first designed by John Deere for European conditions with a dedicated rear discharge deck, and is ideal for a variety of demanding commercial grass cutting applications. It features a 17hp engine and a 48in rotary mower deck, fabricated from heavy-duty 10 gauge steel for durability and a longer working life.

The new small chassis 2020 Series compact tractors join the larger mid and large chassis models in the 20 Series range. These 24 and 26hp machines offer increased torque and lower fuel consumption from a Tier 2 low emission engine, a new hydro transmission and a new deluxe cab. There is also a choice of new 'drive-over' mid-mounted rotary mower decks for easier attachment, including a 60in rear discharge unit. The new T (for Traditional) Series are the latest additions to the Gator range, and will include TE, TS and TX models.

For further information Tel: 01949 860491.



FIVE ALIVE

Newly launched is the Series 5 range from Hunter Grinder equipment. Series 5 consists of the Jupiter Series 5, Jupiter ATI Series 5, Juno Series 5, Amazon Series 5 and the Orion Series 5.

All of these machines now incorporate as standard a number of features which are aimed not only at ensuring the best possible performance, but are also designed to address any health and safety issues that have arisen in recent years. In particular to ensure the operator can achieve a precision edge for maximum quality of cut, with greatest ease, speed and safety.

All models in the Series 5 range are now built on cast iron beds for stability and strength, in addition linear bed rails have been introduced, again as standard, for enhanced accuracy when grinding. All models now operate on 240volt single phase, with all Jupiters having fully enclosed interlocking guarding. The Amazon Series 5 bottom blade grinder has full guarding.

For further information Tel: 01207 270316.



IT'S A MARATHON NOT A SPRINT

Marathon, the long release organo-mineral fertiliser range of Melspring International BV, is now available in a 2-5mm outfield range. In order to strengthen the position of Marathon in the UK, Melspring has nominated Sherriff Amenity as distributor in Great Britain for the 2-5mm outfield range.

Marathon fertilisers do not contain nitrate. The ammonium and long chain urea are buffered in an organo-mineral complex and hardly leach to groundwater. The Marathon Outfield range consists of the following formulas: Marathon Spring 16-4-8+2MgO+0,5Fe, Marathon NK 12-0-14+2,5MgO+0,5Fe, Marathon Repair & Preseed 7-13-9+2,5MgO and

Marathon Autumn 7-1-21+1MgO+0,3Fe, which is suited to the wet and mild winters of Great Britain. For further information Tel: 01638 721888.

THE AERAVATOR

The latest addition to the range of Blec machinery is the new Aeravator Multi-tine. This machine features a vibrating multi-tine rotor system, which will penetrate the hardest terrain with very little surface disturbance. It will sow all types of seeds accurately in random format without regimented lines.

The Aeravator Multi-tine is equally effective operating on fine turf, such as golf greens, bowling greens, sports turf areas such as fairways and sports pitches, or even on bare soil, aerating the surface as it performs its task. The Aeravator Multi-tine produces 600 holes per square metre, it is fitted with a swing hitch that allows it to turn a tight circle on the move ensuring maximum coverage and mobility.

For further information Tel: 01778 346222.



MAX POWER

With the introduction of the three model C-Max range of tractors, McCormick is giving turf care operators and contractors a further choice of a power unit to match different implements and working situations.

In terms of size, weight and power, the newcomers slot neatly between the smaller McCormick New F series, which comprises seven models from 58hp to 99hp, and the full-size agricultural type McCormick CX XtraShift models, which go from 73hp to 102hp. The McCormick C-Max is a full size but lightweight cabbed tractor suitable for all manner of groundcare jobs, from loader and trailer work to mowing and turf aeration. All three versions are powered by Perkins 1100 series engines - a 3.3 litre three cylinder in the 58hp C60 Max and a 4.4-litre four cylinder in the 68hp C75 Max and 82hp C85 Max.

The tractors come with a choice of simple two wheel drive or the added traction that comes with four wheel drive, plus integral front axle disc brakes for added security both on and off the road.

For further information Tel: 01302 366631.

NEW CHUTE

Campey Turf Care Systems have launched a new attachment that further increases the versatility of their Dakota 410 and 411 Turf Tenders.

The Cross Conveyor Chute fits conveniently in place of the rear spinner discharge assembly and is hydraulically driven. In transport mode it quickly slides and clamps within the width of the 410 or 411, and in use the chute extends to enable discharge of material neatly at the side of the left-hand rear wheel.

The Chute facilitates spot treatment applications, such as backfilling drainage channels and topping up bunkers accurately. The conveyor belt speed and rate of application is controlled from the driving position by the electro-hydraulic control panel.

For further information Tel: 01260 224568.

