Saltex New Products

LOW-DECIBEL BLOWERS

The all new low-decibel series of tractor mounted leaf and debris blowers from AgriMetal will be launched at Saltex.

The new range of blowers features a dynamically balanced aluminium impeller which provides superior airflow while requiring less energy to drive it. Its lightweight also reduces drive belt loadings reducing parts replacement and maintenance.

www.agrimetal.com

DFENCE HELPS REDUCE DISEASE PRESSURE

Valagro has introduced DFence a liquid biostimulant which boosts the turf's natural defence mechanisms.

First year field experience - in renowned disease hot-spots of SW England - suggests that the product significantly reduces disease levels on greens.

The company say DFence works by neutralising toxins produced by pathogen attack; with the added potassium and phosphorous further strengthening cell barriers.

DFence is available through Countrywide this season. The best approach is to use it in advance of periods of high disease pressure, such as in the autumn, maintaining applications to build the plant's systemic acquired resistance.

www.nutrecology.com

NEW FUNGICIDE

Rigby Taylor has launched a new fungicide product, Masalon.

Based on the active ingredient myclobutanil, Masalon was developed to help greenkeepers and groundsmen who are faced with turf damage, caused by Fusarium Patch (Microdochium nivale). Rigby Taylor claim the product has excellent systemic properties, moving into the leaf within one hour of spraying, where it prevents disease establishment. Its preventative action offers excellent levels of turfgrass safety, especially to annual meadow-grass (Poa annua), which is particularly susceptible to Fusarium Patch.

DEALING WITH MOSS

Avoncrop Amenity have launched two new products to help deal with moss, firstly a Hard Surface Moss Remover and Cleaner specially developed for use on concrete, paving and artificial surfaces to remove moss, algae and slime build-ups.

Secondly a liquid iron formulation developed for use in autumn and early spring on turf that has been infested with moss, the unique formulation will deter moss and harden turf during colder periods.

01344 426600

LOW COST HIGH-TIP RIDE-ON ROTARY

To help end users combat rising high prices when buying new outdoor power equipment and machinery, Etesia is launching an 'economy' hightip ride-on rotary at this year's Saltex show.

This cost effective Hydro 124DH is powered by a well-proven 25hp Lombardini diesel engine and features high-tip emptying at a value-for-money list price – thus enabling commercial operators to achieve high output, faster working and, most importantly, greater profitability. Operated from the driving seat, emptying of the 600litre grass collector is at any height from ground level up to 1.8m to give good clearance over a truck or trailer.

www.etesia.co.uk

VACUUM SWEEPER

Trilo (UK) Ltd will be releasing the new SG670, vacuum sweeper at this year's Saltex. It has a 250mm hose and 2 metre brush head with huge suction power and is built to the same high quality and with many of the features that come to be expected from a Trilo.

01638 720123 www.trilo.com

REMOTE TREATS THE PARTS THAT OTHERS CANNOT REACH

Terrain Aeration have launched the new Remote Terralift machine, the lightest, smallest most manoeuvrable member of the Airforce fleet to date.

Built to fulfil a demand, the new Remote Terralift has been designed for back gardens, trees, shrub beds, golf courses, parks, sports grounds, retail sites or anywhere with compaction and drainage problems in a tight spot.

01449 673783 or visit: www.terrainaeration.co.uk





DIVOT BAG

The Divot Bag is a recently launched new product.

The number of divots has soared, caused by advances in club technology and people using the wrong kind of shots. Greenkeepers the world over accept that repairing divots is a time consuming but crucial part of keeping a course in top-class condition. Often divot-filling teams struggle to keep up.

It's estimated that every time a player takes a chunk out of the turf on the fairway, it costs 5p to repair.

The Divot Bag is a simple solution to help keep fairways in top class condition and clubs across the world are realising the benefits. The divot Bag is provided by the club and sand buckets are placed at the first tee. Players fill their divot bag with a mix of sand and seed with the view to fill divots as they play.

The divot Bag comes in a range of colours and can be personalised with the club logo printed on the front.



NEW CHIPPER

Echo Bear Cat has launched the latest addition to their range of professional chippers. This is the largest Chipper available from ECHO Bear Cat, capable of reducing wood up to a diameter of 12" (30.5cm) to fine chips using four, 23cm long, reversible, heat-treated steel chipper blades.



NEW ACCESSORIES INCREASE MOWER VERSATILITY

Rustons Engineering is now offering a range of attachments for the Grasshopper zero-turn mowers it distributes in the UK, including leaf blowers, sweepers, turf edgers and aerators.

The leaf blowers are available for the Grasshopper 700 and 900 series and feature a powerful PTO-driven fan unit that produces almost 4500litres of air a second at up to 240kph, enabling them to clear leaves and other debris easily from paths, golf courses, parks and other amenity areas. The nozzle can be adjusted a full 360° electrically from the seat, allowing the driver to blow autumn leaves off trees and complete leaf-clearing in a single visit.

01480 455151

SCARIFIERS FOR DOMESTIC AND PROFESSIONAL USE

Two new rugged lawn scarifiers have been introduced by Efco, the Italian based manufacturer of professional and domestic powered landscape and garden equipment.

Constructed on heavy duty tubular frames with steel decks, the machines feature tough, hardened steel spikes and a height adjustment system with a memory that ensures the machine can be set down at the same height when repositioned.

NEW SPRAYER COVERS 500 ACRES

Rolawn has taken delivery of a state of the art sprayer that it believes is one of the largest available in Europe.

The Agrifac ZA3400P Sprayer is 48 metres wide when opened, and its 4,000 litre tank enables it to spray 500 acres per day. Key features include an auto-levelling device for the booms, GPS installed for auto shut off of nozzles for minimum overlap, auto steer and quadruple nozzle bodies for 4 different types of jet depending upon water volume and weather conditions.

www.rolawn.co.uk www.topsoil.co.uk



FIRST IN THE FIELD, NUMBER ONE ON THE GOLF COURSE

Kyoeisha UK is the newest name on UK golf courses and is introducing a comprehensive range of high quality, high performance machines each aimed at a specific area of maintenance for fine turf areas including ride-on rotary mowers, ground management machines, ride-on and pedestrian cylinder mowers, flail mowers and tractor-mounted units.

First off the mark is the Baroness LM319, a flexible four-wheel drive mid-weight triplex cylinder mower with ample power from a Kubota D1105 26hp Diesel 3-cylinder engine to cut large swathes of longer grass and the finesse to produce an approach quality finish.

