

No Turning Back for Kubota



Superseding the ZD Series, is the new ZD326 zero turn mower from Kubota. The ZD326 zero turn commercial mower delivers all the power, productivity, durability and manoeuvrability demanded by professionals for day in, day out mowing applications.

Fitted with the 26hp Kubota E-TVCS (Triple Vortex Combustion System) D1005, 3 cylinder, liquid cooled diesel engine, the ZD326 has the power, torque and durability to take on the toughest mowing jobs. And it can work for longer, thanks to the 45 litre dual fuel tank and Kubota's outstanding fuel economy with low emissions, noise and vibration. The large radiator improves cooling to prevent the engine from overheating, even in the most demanding conditions, and the dual element air cleaner ensures cool clean air is delivered at all times.

www.kubota.co.uk

Hit Ragwort Early with the Weedstick



Ragwort will soon start to cover the countryside but by then it could be too late for effective and lasting control.

Attempts to dig out plants makes matters worse by generating a new plant for every fragment of the long and stubborn tap root left in the ground.

Spot-on and measured shots of herbicide applied when spring re-growth is set to start, but while plants are still sluggish and susceptible after low light and temperature conditions in winter, is required.

The Weedstick, from Micron Sprayers is easy to carry and use and allows operators to place herbicide exactly and precisely where needed, which is spot-on the flat ground-hugging rosettes of leaves.

The Weedstick is simply placed over the ragwort weed to be treated and pressed down to deliver the required dose of herbicide which is once for small plants and a second time for larger plants.

www.micron.co.uk

ROBOT MOWERS



Campey Turfcare has introduced the Timan RC-750 Remote Control Brush Cutter/Slope Mower.

Where the grass is too long and the ground slopes heavily, and conventional mowers are not a safe option the Timan is the ideal alternative. Characterised by its low working height, self propelled tracks and remote control system which enables this heavy-duty flail mower to cut very long grass safely even on steep banks. With its 750mm working width and low centre of gravity the Timan RC-750 is the ultimate machine for working safely on difficult terrain and slopes of up to 58 degrees.

www.campeyturfcare.com



Soil Conditioner from Inturf

Designed especially for golf and sports turf applications, TerraCottem Turf harnesses a unique combination of over 20 hydroabsorbent and nutritive components to significantly improve soil quality and water retention for healthier, more vigorous turf.

Central to this new formulation's is the addition of zeolite, a natural volcanic mineral that helps increase soil fertility and water retention. Zeolite is renowned for its high Cation Exchange Capacity, the ion exchange between the soil and soil solution that represents the soil's ability to hold onto nutrients and prevent them from leaching beyond the roots. The inclusion of 42% zeolite with a CEC range of 150 to 180meq/100g, together with 31% high-CEC hydroabsorbent copolymers, ensures the CEC levels of soil treated with TerraCottem Turf are far higher than normal.

It also includes humic acid, an addition that has a positive affect on soil structure, water retention capacity, drought-stress resistance, plant element-absorption and microbiological activity.

www.inturf.com



New Golf Irrigation Software

V3.00 aims to make programming and operating GTI irrigation systems simpler, quicker and more cost-effective and efficient, plus is Windows Vista and 7 compatible.

Bailoy Products launched its next-generation Gemini-Trident Irrigation (GTI) software at Harrogate Week.

Boasting an array of new features and a fresh new look, the designer and manufacturer of this golf irrigation system says that GTI V3.00 is the first stepping-stone in a series of upgrades to keep GTI software up to date and give greenkeepers greater control and flexibility.

The software is compatibility with Windows Vista and Windows 7. Current users, however, can rest assured that V3.00 and its successors will be fully back-compatible with existing GTI controllers and decoders, in keeping with Bailoy's commitment to providing customers with a cost-effective product.

The two systems – Gemini and Trident – couple a computerised central control system with decoder field hardware for effective and economic irrigation. Suitable for both new-build and retrofit golf projects as well as sports and amenity turf applications, GTI's state-of-the-art management and maintenance system ensures today's greenkeepers and groundsmen can make optimum use of every last drop of this precious and costly resource.

www.bailoy.com



BTME LAUNCH FOR NEW 25HP COMPACT TRACTOR FROM MASSEY FERGUSON

Rated at 25hp, the new MF 1525H compact tractor made its European debut on the Massey Ferguson stand (no. A27 at Harrogate Week).

Replacing the 22hp MF 1523H in Massey Ferguson's 1500 Series compact tractor line-up, the MF 1525H features a number of key enhancements over its predecessor. These include important upgrades to the engine, transmission, hydraulics and driver platform, all designed to make the MF 1525H a formidable contender in the sub-30hp compact tractor class.

Powered by a new three-cylinder diesel engine developing 25hp at 2,600 rpm, the MF 1525H has been given a larger 28 litre fuel tank, enabling operations to continue for longer without having to refuel.

Drivers of the MF 1525H will find a spacious, semi-flat operating platform offering enhanced comfort and control layout for improved efficiency and performance.

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