



New Role For Kerran

Kerran Daly MG, has joined Greensward Sports Consultancy in the position of Senior Consultant.

Kerran will be responsible for development of the consultancy arm of the business, serving golf clubs, bowling clubs and sports facilities in all parts of the UK.

Kerran, a Past Chairman of BIGGA, brings a wealth of experience to the sector. He is very pleased to be working with Andrew Boyce, Managing Director, Greensward Sports Consultancy.

I am happy to be re-united with Andrew after having worked together during the early part of Andrew's career. I look forward to my association with such a go-ahead company and it will compliment very well the work I am doing in training and assessing young greenkeepers through the NDH apprenticeship scheme.'

'I have gained much throughout my time in greenkeeping and relish the opportunity to put something back through greenkeeper training and by assisting Head Greenkeepers and Course Managers to maximise their potential in delivering high quality provision.'

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Allett Mowers Set to Grow

Allett Mowers is set to become the largest manufacturer of pedestrian petrol-engined cylinder mowers in Britain following its acquisition from Bosch Lawn and Garden Ltd of the drawings, plant and equipment, tooling and intellectual property necessary for the manufacture of the entire range of former Atco and Suffolk Punch petrol and electric lawn mowers.

Included in the purchase is specialist equipment for the manufacture of helical cutting cylinders, enabling Allett to be self-sufficient for the first time in a key component of cylinder-type mowing machines, which have been produced by Allett since the mid 1960s.

It does not include the Atco and Suffolk Punch brand

names nor the individual mower model names which have been retained by Bosch Lawn and Garden.

As a result, all of Bosch's former Atco and Suffolk Punch pedestrian cylinder mowers will be manufactured and sold in future under the Allett brand name with appropriate new model designations to be given by Allett to each mower in the range prior to their launch ahead of the 2012 grass-cutting season.

Other than that, all of the former Atco and Suffolk Punch petrol and electric pedestrian cylinder mowers to be manufactured from October 2011 onwards at Allett's production centre in Hixon, Staffordshire, will be to the same design and specification as their forerunners, including

the green and gold livery.

Allett plans to sell its new line of domestic and semi-professional cylinder mowers through a network of independent garden machinery dealers, selected for their ability to provide first-class sales and service support to customers.

"The acquisition of the design rights and manufacturing capability for the former Atco and Suffolk Punch pedestrian mowers is a natural extension of the Allett brand," commented Austin Jarrett, Managing Director of Allett Mowers' parent company, Turfmach Machinery, said: "We will be looking to hire up to 20 new staff, which is good news for our local area and for British manufacturing."

100 years of Greenkeeping Associations

In 2012 it will be 100 years since the first Association was formed.

Do you have any old artifacts from days gone-by? Perhaps your grandad was a greenkeeper and has something stored

away in the loft? Maybe an Association tie, or a journal? If so we would love to hear from you. We are particularly interested in the early years, but anything you have would be worth considering for our new

feature, Back in time, on pages 32-33, as well as a possible display at BTME 2012. Please contact us on 01347 833800 or email Elliott Small, BIGGA Past Chairman, elliott.edna@hotmail.co.uk