## **C INDUSTRY UPDATE** The latest turf industry news from around the globe



Dennis and Sisis are taking to the road again.

This time they are giving groundsmen and greenkeepers on the Isle of Man an opportunity to attend a Turf Care Seminar at Ballafletcher Sports Club on Wednesday, March 21.

This development was officially opened in April 2011 and comprises four full sized sports pitches designed for winter soccer or rugby use on two engineered and drained platforms.

Delegates will hear from a range of speakers including Peter Craig, Head Greenkeeper at the Hurlingham Club; Ian Mather Brewster, of the IOG, and Keith Kent, Head Groundsman at Twickenham.

Delegates will also hear advice on fertiliser selection and application procedures from Tim Le Mesurier, of Isle of Man Farmers, and Matt Williams, of Barenbrug, will share advice on seed selection factors affecting establishment.

Advice on Goal Post safety and Modern line marking technology will be shared by Harrods and Fleet Line Markers.

To register for this free and informative seminar, contact Roger Moore at Dennis on 01332 824777 or email roger.moore@dennisuk.com



## DEVON GARDEN MACHINERY WIN UK DEALER AWARD

Richard Campey announced the winners of their UK and European Dealership Awards at BTME.

The Awards are given to the dealership that has delivered the best performance over the previous year, not solely in terms of sales but also in backup, sales and service support.

Best European Dealer for 2011 was won by Danish Dealer Havdrup Maskinforretning A/S and presented to Director Jens-Erik Hansen for outstanding performance.

Devon Garden Machinery won the UK Dealer Award and the plaque was presented to DGM Partner Steven Dommett by Ian (Poggy) Pogson, UK Product Specialist for the South.

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## **Super Bent Varieties**

British Seed Houses is the agent for Super Bent varieties 007DSB and TYEE in Sweden, Denmark and Norway, where climates offer some of the most severe weather seen on the golf course, and where the varieties perform extremely well.

Richard Brown recently visited Sweden and gave a seminar outlining the strengths of these varieties for challenging conditions.

"As I explained to delegates at our Swedish seminar, the bentgrass varieties 007DSB and TYEE become known as Super Bents simply because they far exceed the overall turf performance that one would expect from older creeping bentgrass varieties and have proven performance on greens, tees and fairways," he said.

The key to the success of both these varieties is a broad genetic base, in the case of 007DSB, developed using 24 parent plants.

## **New Distributor in Russia**

Huxley Golf, has appointed a new distributor in Russia.

Huxley Golf Russia will be led by Ostap Lukyanov, the Co-Owner of the business, and his Managing Director Dmitriy Mordasov.

Barriers to extending a golf culture in Russia have been reported as being primarily driven by a lack of training facilities as well as adverse natural conditions which have, until now, required clever course design and significant investment.

"Golf across Eastern Europe is relatively new but it's a game that Russians are really beginning to take to," announced Ostap.

Paul Huxley, Director of Huxley

Golf, which has a growing network of distributors in the UK and abroad, said:

"Ostap is the right man to help develop Russia's budding golfing industry. Having trained in Switzerland and Spain, he's extremely knowledgeable and is dedicated to advancing the sport."

Huxley Golf Russia will offer the full range of Huxley Golf surfaces including course tees, practice tees, greens, indoor and outdoor putting greens, pathways, lawns, mats and practice nets; with hotel, golf clubs, teaching academies, and private clients all targets areas for development