

The latest products on show at SALTEX

WESSEX AND SNOWEX AT SALTEX

SALTEX SPECIAL

BUFFALO HUNTING AT SALTEX



Broadwood International displayed selected Wessex ProLine mowers and SnowEx winter salt, grit and brine spreaders on stand N04. When only the best will do the Wessex ProLine RMX-560 and RMX-680 roller mowers have proved to be highly popular with councils, contractors and sports complexes.

Wide area mowing offers cost-efficiency and the triple deck mower leaves a finish equal to a cylinder mower on fine turf, at a fraction of the cost. New this year is the Wessex FRX professional outfront flail mower which builds on the performance and popularity of the previous model.

Considered one of the best for cutting long grass on roadside verges as well as leaving a premium finish on sports turf, this is the ideal all-rounder for councils and contractors.

For mounted mowers the Wessex ProLine RMX 240 and RMX 360 are widely used for quick and effective mowing in public parks, playing fields and areas of amenity grass.

Whilst the country is bathed in sunshine and enjoying a heatwave it seems hardly the time to be thinking about winter maintenance for snow and ice. Planning ahead however pays dividends and it's worth looking at the wide range of the SnowEx spreaders that were on show at SALTEX, from the 2300 litre capacity V-Maxx SP-9300 to walk-behind pedestrian models.

The versatility of SnowEx spreaders is demonstrated with

a trailer mounted SP-8500 and an SP-6000 rigged on a Navara pick-up. The Bulk-Pro and Mini-Pro utility spreaders are ideal for councils, contractors, farmers and estates with the facility to mount them on commercial vehicles, 4x4's, UTV's, ATV's, tractors and fork-lifts.

The use of brine solutions for winter maintenance is an increasingly popular practice and the SnowEx VSS liquid de-icers are leading the way.

KUBOTA JOIN FORCES WITH BROWNS AND LISTER WILDER

Kubota teamed up with two of its dealer partners at SALTEX 2013 to showcase its market leading and high performance range of tractor and groundcare solutions.

The company joined forces with George Browns and Lister Wilder on stand D20, giving visitors the opportunity to see Kubota's extensive range of solutions for the groundcare sector, including some of its latest introductions and innovations for 2013.

New solutions for 2013 that featured on the stand included Kubota's recently launched RTV400Ci utility vehicle and the M6060 mid range tractor. Kubota also displayed a number of its popular compact tractors and ride-on mower solutions at the show.

Allett Mowers launched their latest Buffalo 34/5 all-purpose pedestrian cylinder mower at SALTEX. Known as the great all-rounders in the Allett line-up, the robustly built Buffalos have large diameter cutting cylinders which give them the ability to cut longer grass, even in wet conditions.

The new Buffalo 34/5 sees a range of improvements to a machine developed primarily as a sportsground mower. The engine is now centrally mounted on the chassis, giving the user a better view of the cutting area. There is a larger diameter front roller to give straighter lines with less ground pressure. One handed fitting and removal of the grass box has been made possible by adding a handle and grass box hoop in place of arms. This new grass box feature has also been extended to the rest of the Buffalo range.

Irrespective of forward speed, the Buffalo has a fixed clip rate and anyone hunting for a cylinder mower that will cut long and wet grass will find that the 200mm diameter 8 blade cutting cylinder is designed to cope well in those conditions. The bottom blade setting is made easy with a single point adjustment for the cylinder and the



GROUNDSCARE AT SALTEX

GroundsCare Products, sole UK importers of Turf Teq and ZipLevel products, ran live demonstrations of these unique landscape maintenance and survey products.

The Turf Teq range consists of:

- Edger/Trencher
- Power Broom
- Rough-cut Mower
- Surface Preparation Rake
- Snow Plough

....all powered by the hydrostatically-driven Turf Teq walk behind tractor with 13hp Honda engine.

New for this year is the revolutionary ZipLevel high precision survey level for landscapers, civil engineers and the construction industry. Easier

to carry, set up and use than a laser or automatic level, the ZipLevel does not need line of sight, and reads out results on a digital display; no maths needed.

Also on display was the Rotowash walk-behind, flat surface pressure washer. Now available in two sizes, the machine offers working widths of 530mm (21") or 380mm (15"). Model 600 is ideally suited to cleaning large areas such as car parks or multiple tennis courts. Model 400 is more manoeuvrable and easier to use in restricted areas such as domestic patios. Both are supplied with a 9m hose and lance so they can be used as a traditional, static washer if required.



VAST ARRAY OF PRODUCTS FROM CHARTERHOUSE

SALTEX is always a good opportunity to update yourself on what products are available - and there was no better stand to do that on than Charterhouse Turf Machinery.

The company has a vast array of equipment to nurture natural surfaces and groom synthetic ones.

With end of season maintenance in mind turf managers' attention will turn to aeration, scarifying, top dressing and overseeding of grassed areas or rejuvenating synthetic ones.

On stand was the recently launched Redexim Verti-Drain 1517; part of the new high-speed 15 series that feature lighter weight machines. Suitable for use with a tractor from as little as 28hp, the 1517 weighs in at just 520kg but offers a productive 1.76m working width together with a depth of up to 150mm (6in). Alongside were examples from Charterhouse's extensive range of overseeders, from pedestrian spiked units to high capacity disc seeders, and the company's Rink topdresser line.

Continuing the theme of lighter units, the new Redexim Verti-Top 1200 for synthetic turf maintenance is a physically smaller machine that will be of particular use in more confined spaces. It is still a high work-rate machine having a 1.2M working width, but weighing in at only 360kg. It has all the features to maintain synthetic turf by removing, cleaning and redistributing the infill material, but with only the need for a 22hp tractor with a 400kg lift capacity.

TORO LAUNCHES PREMA AT SALTEX



Two mowers, the first for the amenity and landscape sector, and another for golf, headlined the Toro exhibit on the Lely - Partners in Turfcare stand at SALTEX. In addition, Toro launched PREMA - a brand new programme for quality pre-owned Toro turf machinery.

Pride of place on Stand No A05 was the LT3340 heavy-duty triple mower. Designed for high-productivity grass-cutting on jobs from parks and roadside verges to schools and caravan sites, this machine also gives

a great finish. Optional all-weather cab and high levels of comfort keep operators working longer. While easy access service areas help reduce running costs and increase profitability.

Next up was the new Toro Reelmaster 3550-D. Weighing in at just 900kgs, Toro claim it's the lightest fairway mower on the market, and have dubbed it the lightweight fairway champion. It floats effortlessly over contours without leaving any unwelcome impressions on the turf.

THE WORLD'S FIRST UTV WITH POWER TAKE OFF

Leading off-road vehicle manufacturer Polaris has announced the BRUTUS range, the world's first purpose-built side-by-side utility vehicle with front-end Power Take Off.

Based on the Polaris RANGER, BRUTUS comprises three models – BRUTUS, BRUTUS HD and BRUTUS HD PTO. The line was built to be the most versatile, most capable and most comfortable side-by-side utility vehicles ever created, enabling users to complete more tasks without spending more time and energy. The new BRUTUS models are specifically engineered for individuals and businesses that seek durable all-round task vehicles.

The ability to operate several front-end attachments provides users with new levels of versatility, and ultimately, a cost-effective and more productive work solution.

The Pro-Tach™ attachment system, standard on the BRUTUS HD and BRUTUS HD PTO, delivers the capability to change from one attachment to the next quickly and easily. Creating levels of productivity never before seen in its class, a revolutionary, front-end PTO system on the BRUTUS HD PTO draws power directly from the vehicle's engine. The high efficiency, mechanical PTO maximizes power to a line of purpose-built, out-front commercial attachments. Featured in the complete line of attachments are three PTO-powered attachments – angle broom, finishing mower and snow blower – and three hydraulically-powered attachments – snow blade, pallet forks and materials bucket – allowing users to sweep, mow, blow, lift, plow and scoop with just one machine.

"The introduction of the BRUTUS



product family is part of our commitment to offer customers innovative and relevant vehicles that best suit their needs," David Longren, Polaris Vice President, Off-Road Vehicles (ORV) and ORV Engineering said.

"Through our 60 years of engineering experience, strategic alliances with other industry leaders and our incredible network of dealers, we are able to provide the commercial market with the most productive, reliable and versatile vehicles."

The BRUTUS models offer a 24-horsepower diesel engine with hydrostatic transmission which delivers all the torque and power needed to get the job done. An innovative treadle pedal

allows travel in forward or reverse without shifting gears, providing an ideal setup for commercial applications. BRUTUS vehicles provide a class-leading six inches of suspension travel, which combined with On-Demand True All-Wheel Drive, allows for safe and comfortable transportation of passengers and cargo over virtually any terrain.

BRUTUS models are the first side-by-side utility vehicles that use a multi-link coil over De Dion rear suspension to deliver superior ride quality.

The rear suspension supports a 566.9kg (1,250lb) cargo capacity and minimizes suspension sag when fully loaded.

EXCLUSIVE DJ TURFCARE MACHINES HIT WINDSOR

DJ TURFCARE showed their exclusive range of fine turf, golf and sportsturf machinery on stand K55 at IOG SALTEX.

The PLUGGER PL855 Pro HD aerator features hydrostatic-drive and uses both solid and hollow tines. It is highly manoeuvrable and is ideal for superior grass maintenance in more difficult areas, being easy to transport and handle. It is particularly useful for large areas of fine turf, and cricket and bowling clubs have found the Plugger invaluable in reviving compacted squares.

The second-generation ATOM EDGERS, both professional and domestic – with new Mitsubishi engines – were also on show. They are tougher, easier-to-use and have improved controls.

The Atom Professional Edger Pro 580

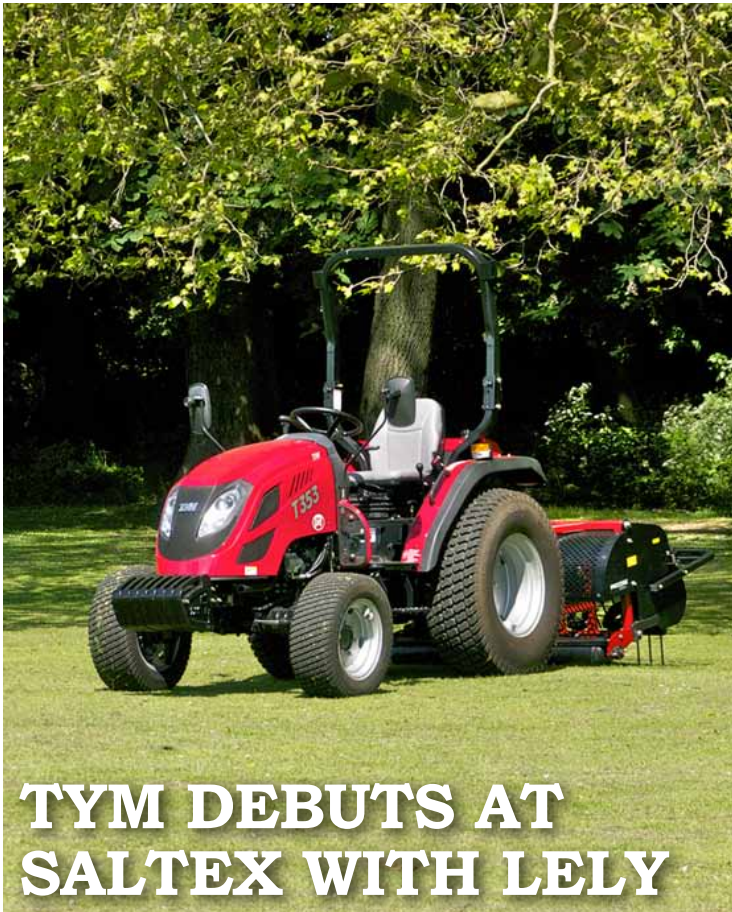
is aimed at local authorities for kerb use and the Atom 450 Deluxe is designed for gardeners with large areas of lawn to edge.

Also on the stand was the updated ATOM BUNKER EDGER – now celebrating its seventh year as a leading product for the golf industry from the DJ golf and groundcare range. It has a powerful easily-maintained Mitsubishi two-stroke engine.

The BUSHRANGER EDGER (seen for the first time at IOG SALTEX two years ago) made another appearance.

Aimed primarily at local authorities and those looking after large landscaped areas, the Bushranger Edger is ideal for producing razor sharp edges, especially up close to raised paving because of its drop-down wheel.





TYM DEBUTS AT SALTEX WITH LELY

A new addition to the leading turf machinery distributor's portfolio, Lely UK has exhibited TYM tractors at IOG SALTEX for the first time.

On stand A05, as part of its Lely – Partners in Turfcare exhibit, which also includes Toro, and Solo outdoor maintenance equipment, Lely displayed a number of TYM tractors.

"TYM tractors are fast becoming the tractor of choice for golf clubs, sports stadiums, local authorities and landscape contractors," says Jeff Anguige, turf products national sales manager at Lely UK. "There's a wide range of models from 23hp to 100hp to cater for all needs, and we showed off the 23hp, 35hp, 43hp and 100hp units at SALTEX."

All TYM tractors benefit from a reliable and powerful four-cylinder diesel engine that maximises fuel efficiency. Dual-air filter elements protect and extend engine life, and a heavy-duty, four-wheel-drive front axle offers greater traction where needed.



NEW FROM RJ

Ransomes Jacobsen returned to SALTEX with a host of new products for both the municipal and golf sectors. The Ipswich-based manufacturer launched the Ransomes Spider Mini II, a smaller version of the unique remote-controlled mower for mowing steep banks.

From the Iseki brand comes the all-new TJA 8080 and 8100 comprising of models rated at 80 PS and 100 PS respectively. These powerful and versatile workhorses are suitable for landscape and grounds care contractors, farmers and local authorities, where a range of implements can be used for a host of tasks.

Also making debuts at SALTEX were the Turfco WideSpin 1550 top dresser and the Turfco TriWave 40. The 1550 is the most advanced addition to Turfco's WideSpin family, offering unprecedented control and precision. It has more capacity, is easier to load, has programmable presets, rate calculation and can tackle a wider range of applications. The new TriWave 40 trailed overseeder can be towed behind a utility vehicle, quad bike, bunker rake or tractor, providing added versatility and is the easiest to operate of any overseeder on the market.

The Smithco Spray Star 2000 was another SALTEX debutant; this dedicated spray vehicle features an ultra low-profile 757 litre (200 gallon) capacity tank, hydrostatic drive and a liquid-cooled diesel engine

GLOBAL TURF EQUIPMENT OFFER SUPERCAR PRIZE

Global Turf Equipment (GTE) – the UK branch of the world's largest independent seller and exporter of pre-owned golf course equipment – offered a supercar experience as a prize at SALTEX.

Serving golf facilities in more than 80 countries worldwide, GTE offers owners, operators, and golf course superintendents substantial cost savings with fiscally-prudent alternatives to brand-new machines. GTE prides itself on its reputation for high-quality, low-hour, off-lease equipment.

GTE recently established an overseas partnership with County Mowers as part of long-term plans to offer late model lease return mowers and equipment to UK golf courses.

"We met golf course owners, operators, superintendents and others at SALTEX," says Jim Sartain, President, GTE.

"As we now warehouse and service products in the UK, it's easier than ever for European courses to take advantage of our exceptional value proposition."

In addition to receiving the latest company information, visitors to GTE's stand (L35) were invited to enter a prize draw. One lucky person will win the opportunity to drive a luxury supercar (Lamborghini, Ferrari and / or Aston Martin) for two hours around a famous track like Silverstone, Goodwood or Thruxton.

If you were unable to stop by the GTE stand you may still enter by sending an email with full name, company name, address and telephone number to Kasey@GlobalTurfEquipment.com before Sunday September 15.

Via its partnership with County Mowers, GTE specializes in stocking and servicing pre-owned, professional turf machinery and equipment for golf and turf facilities in the U.K. Services include sales, maintenance and repair of machines, accessories and machine parts.

An inventory of fairway mowers, green mowers, rough mowers, top dressers and spreaders, trim mowers, turf aerators, turf sprayers, turf vacuums and blowers, utility vehicles and more is available.