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Tuesday 3 September A1 Recycling – 10:30 – 11:15 Trelawney Dampney - Composting Association Refining compost for top quality products.

A2 Health & Safety – 11:30 – 12:15 Douglas Shearer, Senior Lecturer - Elmwood College Recent Developments in Health & Safety.

A3 Play & Parks – 13:30 – 14:15 John Yearly - RoSPA Are we creating dangers for our children by trying to make play areas too safe?

A4 Ground Maintenance – 14:30 – 15:15 Ted Mitchell – Member of Hire Association Europe Advantages of hire within the grounds maintenance industry.

Wednesday 4 September B1 Landscaping/Groundscare – 10:30 – 11:15 David Spencer, Vice Chairman - BALI The ROLO scheme and BALI: the answer to the 'rogue trader'.

B2 Regeneration— 11:30 — 12:15 Colin Cannon — Member of DTLR, Task Force Working Group of GSBP Green Spaces, Better Places (DTLR Initiative).

B3 Major Project – 13:30 – 14:15 Dominic Cole, Landscape Architect, Eden The making of the Eden Project.

B4 Stadium Design – 14:30 – 15:15 Steve Gingell – STRI Regional Agronomist, Thames Valley Managing a sand dominated rootzone pitch for winter play.

Thursday 5 September C1 Sports Surfaces - 10:30 – 11:15 Roy McLaren, Ground Manager – Malvern College Resurfacing a cricket square.

C2 Horticulture – 11:30 – 12:15 David Brown, Chief Horticulture Advisor to the NFU A better identity for Horticulture as an industry.

C3 Sports & Stadiums – 13.30 – 14.15 Keith Kent, Grounds Manager – Manchester United High sided stadiums and the effects of its micro climate.

C4 Sports & Stadiums – 14:30 – 15:15 Mike McDonnell, Case Manager, Community Facilities Environment, Sport England Accessing funds from Playing fields and community green spaces.











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Finally Charterhouse Richmond, the fourth division, wil be exhibiting their full range of aboricultural and forestry euipment, hand tools and sundry items.

Contact Philip Threadgold.

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Hayter will be exhibiting their comprehensive range of grass cutting machinery. The T424 five unit cylinder machine, will incorporate a totally new transmission system allowing it to be used in the most difficult, wet conditions. The seven unit trailed gang mower, now redesignated the TM749, will also feature significant enhancements in respect of stability and performance.

Also on display will be the range of ride on triples and the R314 three deck rotary. Hayter are market leaders in pedestrian rotary mowers and a representative selection for the commercial user will be available for viewing.

Contact Barbara Garton.

Headland Amenity Ltd Stand: H44 Norfolk House, Great Chesterford Court, Great Chesterford, Essex CB10 1PF Tel: 01799 530146 Fax: 01799 530229 amenitysales@headlandgroup.com www.headlandamenity.co.uk

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Contact Keith Cann-Evans.

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Contact Sean Jones.

John Deere Limited Stand: V4 Harby Road, Langar, Nottingham NG13 9HT Tel: 01949 860491 Fax: 01949 860490 www.johndeere.co.uk

John Deere has Europe's biggest range of commercial and consumer equipment - from John Deere and Roberine cylinder and front rotary mowers, to a range of Gator utility vehicles and the 6020 Series tractors.

John Deere's stand at SALTEX 2002 features a number of new machines, including the X Series diesel lawn tractors, 1600 Turbo multi-purpose implement carrier, and attachments for the 1400 and 1500 Series front rotary mowers. Contact Peter Nell.

Kubota (UK) Ltd Stand: W40 Dormer Road, Thame, Oxfordshire OX9 3UN Tel: 01844 268111 Fax: 01844 216685 tomb@kubota.co.uk www.kubota.co.uk

Kubota will be unveiling a high performance rotary mowing package based on the 25hp F2560 diesel ride-on front mower. Supplied at a very competitive price complete with 54in (1.37m) side-discharge rotary deck and high-lift grass collector, the package has been put together for users needing a powerful, yet manoeuvrable machine capable of working comfortably in confined spaces or any area with restricted access. Also being shown for the first time by Kubota at IOG Saltex are three advanced mini tracked excavators of 3.2 tonnes, 4 tonnes and 5 tonnes respectively.

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Lastec UK Ltd Stand: A50 Court Lodge Farm, Kenward Road, Yalding, Maidstone, Kent ME18 6PJ Tel: 01622 812103 Fax: 01622 815534 www.lastec.com

Lastec will be exhibiting its range of wide area Articulator rotary mowers. The concept is to provide a quality finish to turf cut from 25mm to 150mm, over flat, undulating and steeply banked terrain. The range includes out front, rear mounted and self propelled models with a cut width from 1.80 metres to 3.35 metres. Lastec's revolutionary belt drive system allows decks to articulate independently without the power robbing hydraulic driven decks. Self propelled, zero turn models are powered by 36hp Kubota diesel engines and will out perform comparable machines on the market.

The Scotts Company (UK) Ltd

Stand: E1 Paper Mill Lane, Bramford, Ipswich, IP8 4BZ Tel: 01473 830492 Fax: 01473 830386 dave.steward@scottsco.com www.scottsco.com

The Scotts Company (UK) Ltd will be displaying at SALTEX the benefits of their new range of organic based turf fertilisers – formulated to give turf managers the benefits of both organic and inorganic fertiliser. New Greenmaster Organic fertilisers combine inorganic and organic nutrient sources with natural bio-stimulants, ensuring accurate, reliable provision of essential nutrients whilst also enhancing the soil micro-flora.

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Textron Golf, Turf and Specialty Products Stand: V15 Central Avenue, Ransomes Europark, Ipswich, Suffolk IP3 9QG Tel: 01473 270000 Fax: 01473 276300 info@textronsolutions.com www.textronsolutions.com

Alternative power is the theme on Textron's Saltex stand and the spotlight will fall on electric and LPG powered vehicles from their respected turf care and specialty product brands.

From Ransomes, the new LPG powered Parkway 2250 triple mower is being unveiled, sharing the stage with a range of electric-powered Cushman Diabline and other electric utility vehicles from E-Z-GO.

The Jacobsen E-Plex II greens mowers and the E-Z-GO ST350 Workhorse golf utility vehicle, with an LPG option, both fall into the environmentally friendly category for the golf sector.

New products and enhancements feature across all products, so be sure to visit Stand V15.

Toro Commercial Products Stand: W50 Lely (UK) Limited Station Road, St Neots, Cambs PE19 1QH Tel: 01480 226800 / 00 353 (0) 4552 6170 Fax: 01480 226801 / 00 353 (0) 4552 6649 toro.sales@lely.co.uk / info@lely.ie www.toro.com

Toro is launching what it says is the most economical diesel trim mower on the market today – the new and improved Reelmaster 2300-D. The triplex unit has been specially developed and improved to provide an affordably-priced mower that will deliver a superior quality of cut on sports fields and golf courses.

Also new are the Groundsmaster 4700-D, which delivers a precision cut on sports fields as well as rough and trim golf applications; the Groundsmaster 228-D rotary mower, fitted with 60in rear discharge deck and available with optional grass collector; and the Workman 2110 utility vehicle, which features four-wheel braking. res four-wheel braking.

TurfTrax Ground Management Systems Limited Stand: F44 Chaguers Court 21 Brown Street, Solisbury Wilts

Chequers Court 31 Brown Street, Salisbury, Wiltshire SP1 2AS Tel: 01722 434000 Fax: 01722 434040 colin.hood@turftrax.co.uk www.turftrax.co.uk

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National Proficiency Tests Council (NPTC) Stand: CP12 National Agricultural Centre, Stoneleigh, Warwickshire CV8 2LG Tel: 0247 669 6553 Fax: 0247 669 6128

information@nptc.org.uk www.nptc.org.uk

NPTC's aim is to deliver qualifications to people working in the landbased and allied industries by providing a professional, accessible, independent, assessment service. These qualifications are now accredited by the Qualifications and Curriculum Authority which means they are eligible for public funding, have been entered into the National Qualifications Framework and are nationally recognised. To achieve this we appoint assessment centres throughout England, Wales, Scotland, Republic of Ireland, Denmark and Bermuda who are able to link-up candidates with organisations/colleges where training courses are available, advise on the arrangements for assessment either at their place of work or a local assessment site.

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Komatsu Zenoah has introduced the Strato Charged two stroke engine giving 30% less pollution and 30% reduction in fuel consumption. Now in time for the Autumn season, Allen introduce the Komatsu Zenoah

model EBZ4800 back pack blower, the quietest available anywhere, thanks to the Strato-Charged engine and the specially designed muffler on the outlet pipe.

The 47.9cc engine produces 960cbm/h with a noise dB(A) rating of only 65.

The Strato-Charged engine gives 30% fuel saving compared to standard engine blowers of a comparable size and the free flow net around the fan reduces debris from being sucked into the engine enhancing durability and reliability.

Features such as styled-for-comfort low vibration back pad and single hand usage together with 2 litre fuel tank is bound to make this

new addition a firm favourite with contractors and other professional users. Launched at the same time is the World's most powerful back pack blower,

the EB7000. This model enjoys a two stage, fresh flow air filter system minimising the intake of debris.

With a powerful 62cc Komatsu Zenoah engine and an air volume output of 1200 cbm/h, this machine is also extremely quiet with a dB(A) reading of just 75. RRP Model EBZ4800 £424 Model EB7000 £449

For further information contact Tel 01865 820731.

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LILLEYBROOK GC

Lilleybrook GC has recently installed a Waste 2 Water model 750 recycling wash-off system, developed by ESD (Environmental System Design).

"The new environmental law came into force in April, with tight water pollution control (section 161 A-D of the Water Resources Act 1991). The fines for polluting a water course can be £20,000, but if a case goes to crown court there is no limit to the fine," said Course Manager, Paul Jenkins.

"This alone should make all golf clubs review their wash-off facility. Gone are the days when one could be tempted to wash machinery off 'round the back of the shed' especially if the maintenance facility is hidden away in the middle of the golf course. As professionals working with the environment we have a duty of care, not only to comply with the law, but to help set standards, not just react to them."

The contributing factors that influenced the design of the new facility, that incidentally includes new chemical and flammable liquids stores, were that the Lillybrook maintenance facility is situated at the top of a sloping car park, coupled with the fact that 100 yards away, runs a stream that feeds the Lilleybrook.

With only one part pesticide to 10 billion parts water constituting pollution, serious planning was put in place to eliminate "run off".

The ESD- Waste 2 Water recycling wash-off system is a complete wash unit high pressure wash hoses. Grass and dirt is separated by the Grass Separator and deposited into a wheelbarrow for easy disposal. The contaminated wash

AQUAFLEX

Aquaflex is a flexible moisture sensor that is buried in the soil which measures soil moisture and temperature continuously so you always know what's going on in the root zone. The sensor has been used in the UK for some time and is now being increasingly utilised by turf managers internationally. As a direct result prices have been reduced and new entry-level products have been introduced to allow even wider use.

The Aquaflex gives accurate

information for the first time on soil moisture over a given 10 foot section of a green. This data can then be used to determine irrigation needs and limits as well as confirm when irrigation comes or not.

Using Aquaflex to monitor soil moisture has proven to save water, and the energy required to drive pumps. Optimising water application also minimises leaching of fertilisers and chemicals as well as encouraging root growth. For further information Tel 01274 733 145.

water is then biologically cleaned and recycled, for continual re-use. The closed loop system rapidly breaks down all organic contaminants (oil, petrol, diesel, pesticides, fungicides etc.) into carbon dioxide and water.

"I believe, setting and maintaining high standards on the golf course goes hand in hand with setting and maintaining high standards off the course. To this end, an extension to the maintenance facility is planned to include a dedicated workshop, staff facility, grinding room and store," said Paul. For further information Tel: 01782 373878.



MACCAFERRI LTD

Geotubes supplied by Maccaferri Ltd, specialists in retaining structures, soil reinforcement and erosion protection, have been used to create

sustainable sea defences to protect a golf course. A 400 metre reinforced sand bank has been constructed to shelter the practice ground of the Royal North West Norfolk Golf Club from erosion and inundation during high Spring tides.

The golf course at Brancaster is in a designated SSSI. Until recently erosion protection was provided by the Environment Agency in the form of an existing coastal dune system with hard protection, but this had become expensive to maintain. A decision was taken to adopt a policy of managed retreat and with the demolition of banking to the west, the golf club practice ground would be left unprotected from the sea.

Using independent finance and working in close consultation with the Environment Agency, the Golf Club decided to construct its own new flood bank to protect the practice ground. The Golf Club appointed Peter Lawton of North Norfolk-based St La Haye Consulting Engineers with a brief to create a sustainable sea defence, using local materials and construction techniques, that would cause minimal disturbance to the environment. Local borrow pit material was found to be of poor quality and sand from adjacent tidal flats was suggested as an alternative. English Nature confirmed that there is an area designated 'barren sand' of little environmental value which might be used for this purpose.

Maccaferri was asked to look at a possible containment system for the sand, an the final solution using Geotubes was developed by St La Haye in

WARDLE CONSULTING ENGINEERS

Irrigation consultants Wardle Consulting Engineers have announced the launch of a new venture, IrriPlan Ltd. an original concept in professional independent irrigation design for golf clubs with more modest irrigation requirements and limited budgets. IrriPlan is an irrigation "design studio" as opposed to a "consultancy".

"IrriPlan is a professional, independent design studio whose income, like a consultancy, is solely derived from client fees and not from the sale or installation of irrigation products and systems. However while an irrigation consultancy generally bases its fees as a percentage of the contract, IrriPlan charge an all inclusive fixed fee," said Giles Wardle. Over the last few years Wardle Consulting Engineers has enjoyed success in

Over the last few years Wardle Consulting Engineers has enjoyed success in the irrigation market with Royal Lytham & St. Anne's Golf Club, Carnoustie Links, The Gleneagles Hotel, The Turnberry Hotel, Queenwood Golf Club and Brocket Hall among its client reference list.

"However like other irrigation consultancies we have been guilty of neglecting the clubs with more modest requirements and limited budgets, who would nevertheless still benefit from professional, independent irrigation planning, design and monitoring.

We therefore established IrriPlan to meet the needs of exactly such a market and extend the benefits of professional, independent advice to a broader audience," said Giles.

Different clients want and require a different level and type of service. The club that just wants an irrigation system for their greens, tees and approaches often cannot justify the fees for a consultant to undertake a fully comprehensive service including contract administration, project management and site supervision.

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consultation with Maccaferri. Three geotubes were supplied to principal contractor J Breheny Contractors Ltd, each measuring 3.25 metres in diameter and 105 metres long. Filled with locally won sand, they form a solid core to the new coastal defences and will be able to withstand even severe winter storms. Maccaferri is the exclusive UK distributor for Geotubes, which are

manufactured in the Netherlands by TenCate Nicolon. The system is proven technology and has been used in many successful applications in Holland. For further information Tel: 01865 770555.

ZALLYS UK

Zallys UK expects that one of the most popular units in its new range of environment-friendly utility vehicles will be Jack. This three-wheeled, ride-on carrier has a zero turning circle, making it ideal for use in tight situation indoors and outdoors.

Jack helps give maximum working efficiency, being able to operate for up to eight hours from just one charge of its 24v, 80A battery. It is designed for ease of use, having fingertip control of forward and reverse travel, and the low footboard makes it easy to step on and off the machine. Maximum forward speed is a surprisingly high 6mph.

A wide range of platform and hopper options are available, making Jack suitable for transporting many different objects and materials in and around sports grounds, golf courses, parks, glasshouses, nurseries, theme parks, hospitals, airports and other facilities. Zallys UK can manufacture customised platforms to meet individual requirements.

Different wheel and tyre options can be specified for optimal performance on hard and soft surfaces.

Like other models in the Zallys range of powered carriers, Jack is driven by an 800W motor, powered by rechargeable, long-life batteries that give silent, non-polluting operation. The high specification batteries can be recharged in situ and are capable of at least 500 recharges.



course Manager, Mus 12, plus mechanic, plus

TALKING HEADS





Name: Course: Region: Course Type: Staff:

John Wilshire Tobermory, Isle of Mull Scotland Heathland and Parkland (nine holes) One - me! (student in school holidays)



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Mike Davey Hazel Grove GC, near Stockport Northern Parkland Head Greenkeeper plus five (two casuals in summer)

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Name: Course: Region: Course Type: Staff: Geoff Henderson Kenwick Park Golf Club, Lincs Midland Parkland and woodland (18 holes) Course Manager, plus five

David Ansell The Dyke Golf Club, near Brighton South East Downland (18 holes) Course Manager plus five

Name: Course: Region: Course Type: Staff:

Carl Horrax Salisbury and South Wilts Golf Club South West and South Wales Chalk downland (27 holes) Course Manager, plus seven, plus mechanic

Name: Course: Region: Course Type: Staff: Bernard Findlay Portstewart Golf Club Northern Ireland 36 holes links, nine holes parkland Course Manager, plus 12, plus mechanic, plus four part-timers How have you gone about establishing an Education and Training Budget which satisfies your needs?

Don't have one. We couldn't afford it at our club where we struggle to balance our books with 120 members paying £115 subscription each year.

Basically we put money in the budget for education and training and then it is done on a voluntary basis and anyone wishing to progress is offered every encouragement.

We have links with local training groups. We don't have a special training budget as such but if we need the finance for staff training it would be available.

We finance day release courses at Plumpton College and also Chainsaw and First Aid courses etc. We also pay for staff subs to BIGGA.

We have training and education programmes in place for everyone's requirements on the staff. We have appraisals to identify training needs.

We have a budget which varies each year based on demand from the members of staff.

