

## CYLINDER MOWERS



Capable of all kinds of work the Ransomes cylinder mower.

4 wheel drive, and you get the unique combination of wheel grip and tight turning without damaging the turf. With diff-lock engaged, individual wheels cannot lock and damage the turf. With a hydraulic wheel motor in each

hub, oil is diverted to the relevant wheel to give more traction.

The low centre of gravity on the Belos gives extra stability and safety, especially on grass slopes, and also on the subject of safety, a special all-weather

safety cab is available as an optional extra.

In Sweden Stiga products are famous for quality, and their long lasting reputation is one WestMac will be wanting to build on, with this unique versatile machine from

Sweden.

Model 1302 two wheel drive, centre pivot power unit retails at £10,977.90 and model 1500 four wheel drive, centre pivot power unit retails at £14,371.55 (both prices include VAT).

## EDUCATION UPDATE

### ELMWOOD AWARD WINNERS COME FROM NEAR AND FAR FOR THE ANNUAL AWARD CEREMONY

WITH over two hundred greenkeepers at Elmwood College it is perhaps not surprising that there should be award winners from such a wide geographical area, studying courses from apprentice to supervisory management level.

Richard Barker from Leicestershire, winner of Elmwood's distance learning supervisory course is flanked by equal second's right: Brian Story from Cumbria (who remarkably was also the award winner for the first year

greenkeeping course attended by over 55 students) and Bruce Cruickshank from Crail, Fife.

Darren Easingwood from Dunbar Golf Club with the coveted Gleneagles Challenge Trophy awarded for his outstanding project work as part of his SCOTVEC national certificate course.

Paul Seago from the Royal West Norfolk Golf Club, Brancaster, Norfolk, this year's most "far flung" award winner, with his certificate which recognises him as top student in his SCOTVEC third year course. No mean achievement considering there were over sixty trainees competing for the award.

The head greenkeeping supervisory management course offered at Elmwood is believed to be unique in the United Kingdom. James McKenzie, head greenkeeper at Renfrew Golf Club, produced written work of an outstandingly high standard to win this year's award.

### JAMES M. LATHAM BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

JIM Latham is the Director of the Great Lakes Region of the United States Golf Association Green Section.

He was born in Hillsboro, Texas and attended High School and Junior College there. After a tour of duty in the Marine Corps, he attended Texas A&M University where in 1952, he received a Bachelor of Science degree in Soil Science and in 1954, a Masters Degree in Agronomy (Plant Breeding).

After working as a Turf Specialist on warm-season species at the Coastal Plain Experiment Station in Tifton, Georgia, and additional graduate study at Rutgers University, he served on the USGA Green Section Staff as Northeastern Agronomist in 1956 and Southeastern Agronomist from 1957 until

1960. From that time until 1985, Latham was on the agronomic and Milorganite marketing staff of the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District.

Mr Latham is a Certified Professional Agronomist and a member of the American Society of Agronomy. He received the Distinguished Service Award from the O.J. Noer Research Foundation following his tenure as Research Director. He is also a member of the Council for Agricultural Science and Technology and holds Honorary Memberships in several Golf Course Superintendents Associations.

The Great Lakes Region is a nine-state area just south of the Canadian border, some 2,000 road miles east-west and 800 miles north-south. During the April-October period, the staff makes 220 half-day Turf Advisory Service visits to 175 subscribing clubs and courses. Until April 1, 1990, the technical staff has been one person.