

# The Company Line

PRODUCTS & SERVICES



## Wireless POGO soil sensor

**Stevens Water Monitoring Systems**, a developer and manufacturer of environmental monitoring solutions, introduces the POGO Soil Sensor, a portable device that enables superintendents to spot-check any area of the green for instant data on soil moisture, salinity and temperature for better watering and fertilization management. The POGO sensor sends the information to a detachable PDA or to a laptop using Bluetooth wireless technology, for easy data storage and analysis.

For more information, contact 800-452-5272 or [www.stevenswater.com](http://www.stevenswater.com).

## GreenCast upgraded

**GreenCast** ([www.greencastonline.com](http://www.greencastonline.com)), a Web-based technology from Syngenta Professional Products designed to help superintendents more efficiently run their business operations, is now even easier to use, according to Syngenta.

GreenCast users can gain valuable information in a central location that will help them to make more informed agronomic and business decisions. The redesign now provides users with the ability to customize the site to display only the tools and resources they choose for their operations. In addition, the site has new, market-specific pages dedicated to golf so industry professionals can find information relevant to their markets faster.

For more information, contact 866-SYNGENTA or [www.syngentaprofessionalproducts.com](http://www.syngentaprofessionalproducts.com).

## Hybrid triplex greens mower

**John Deere Golf & Turf** introduces the 2500E Hybrid Tri-Plex

Greens Mower, which operates on a traditional engine that drives an alternator which powers electric reel mowers to drive the cutting units.

The design eliminates more than 90 percent of the most likely leak points while also reducing sound levels and increasing fuel efficiency, the company says. Because the 2500E is not dependent on battery power for run time, it can keep the same frequency of clip on every green.

John Deere also offers the 1200 Hydro Bunker and Field Rake, which features the same high standards as the 1200A with the added operational ease offered by a hydrostatic drive system. For more information, contact 800-537-8233 or [www.JohnDeere.com](http://www.JohnDeere.com).

## Pump station

**Rain Bird's** new Pump Station is designed to provide superintendents with a completely integrated irrigation system. Rain Bird says its custom-built-to-fit customer-specifications pump

stations integrate with central-control software through the exclusive Smart Pump feature to optimize the entire irrigation cycle, from reservoir to rotor.

The pump stations communicate in real time with Smart Pump, which constantly compares actual flow at the pump station to the expected flow. Any time actual flow differs from the expected flow, Smart Pump automatically reacts to balance the supply and demand between the pump station and irrigation schedule.

For more information, contact [www.rainbird.com](http://www.rainbird.com).

## Disposable bedknife

The **Jacobsen Mag Razor** is the industry's first disposable bedknife, according to the company. Jacobsen describes it as a "revolutionary bedbar system that uses ultra-strong magnetic technology to securely hold bedknives to bedbars."

"Like a disposable razor, it cuts like new because each blade is new," according to Jacobsen. "(There's) no sharpening, (and) no tedious work over a grinder."

The MagRazor gives the user the ability to remove the blades with just a pair of gloves.

For more information, contact [www.jacobsen.com](http://www.jacobsen.com).

## Topdresser

**Dakota Peat & Equipment** introduces the 414 Turf Tender to its topdresser product line. Built at the request of customers, the 414 features a 4-yard hopper and is designed to spread any type of material needed for turf maintenance or construction. The 414 also features an electrically controlled hydraulic system that allows the operator to control spinner speed and belt speed from the tractor seat.

For more information, contact 800-477-8415 or [www.dakotapeat.com](http://www.dakotapeat.com).

## Insecticide

**Arvesta** introduces ARENA Insecticide for control of grubs, chinch bugs, webworms and other damaging pests in turf. ARENA also offers suppression of cutworms and mole crickets.

ARENA works through contact and ingestion to stop damaging pests immediately. It also works systemically providing season-long, residual control of some insects, which is important when maintaining healthy turf.

ARENA Insecticide also offers a favorable toxicological profile, making it an idea tool for an insect management program. It's available as a 0.5 percent granular and a 50-percent water dispersible granule.

For more information, contact [www.arvesta.com](http://www.arvesta.com).

## Hydro Verti-Drain

**Redexim Charterhouse** offers a new version of the Verti-Drain

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## Labels in Spanish

**PBI/Gordon Corp.** has added Spanish versions of the labels and MSDS information for its most popular products — SpeedZone, Trimec Classic and Trimec 992 — to its Web site.

"We have long recognized the value the Hispanic workforce is bringing to this industry," said Bill Brocker, vice president of marketing for the company. "With the number of Hispanic workers increasing each year, there is a need to assure that label directions are clear so our products will be used appropriately."

The labels can be accessed at [www.pbigordon.com](http://www.pbigordon.com). Copies of Spanish labels can also be obtained by calling 800-821-7925.



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7007 with hydrostatic drive. The new Verti-Drain 7007H is powered by a 13-horsepower Briggs and Stratton Vanguard OHV engine, and uses a hydrostatic transmission with a forward speed of more than 6.5 miles per hour. It has a three-wheel drive option available, and has a working capacity of more than 12,000 square feet per hour.

For more information, contact 800-597-5664 or visit [www.redexim.com](http://www.redexim.com).



### 'Smart-Fit Cup'

**Standard Golf Co.** introduces its new Smart-Fit Cup and Ferrule System, providing superintendents with a solution for worn-out ferrules and leaning flagsticks.

The Smart-Fit System features the company's patented ST2000 nonstick cup coupled with a new, wide-shouldered, notched ferrule, which comes on all Standard Golf flagsticks. When flagsticks are placed in the cup, the cup's ribs mesh with the notches in the ferrule, making it impossible for flags to rotate and create excessive wear on cups or ferrules, according to the company.

Standard Golf also offers its new Nature Pure Water Cooler Purification System, which retrofits to both 5- and 10-gallon Igloo water coolers in minutes without any special tools and allows play-

### Hose reels

**Reelcraft's** technologically advanced, durable hose reels promote water conservation, plus they save labor, improve safety and efficiency and extend the life of hoses. The company's cart and trailer-mounted hose reels provide quick mobility of hoses so hand-watering is as fast and convenient as possible. Reelcraft's underground hose reel (series DGM) is an innovative tool to help conserve water because it permanently stores the hose underground on a reel, so the hose can be quickly retrieved to hand-water drought-stressed areas. When finished hand-watering, the hose retracts back into the ground, out of sight and out of the way.

For more information, contact 800-444-3134 or [www.reelcraft.com](http://www.reelcraft.com).

ers to drink safe, purified water anywhere on the golf course.

For more information, contact [www.standardgolf.com](http://www.standardgolf.com).

### Sweeper

**The Toro Co.'s** Pro Sweep 5200 is designed to collect cores on greens and tees. The Pro Sweep 5200 has a large 52-inch

sweeping width with a floating brush housing that rotates from side to side and front to back, allowing the sweeper to collect cores on uneven terrain and undulating greens.

The pivoting subframe maintains positive tongue weight for better traction on inclines,

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## Golfdom Insider

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### Digital Flagstick



#### The Readers Take Over

By Larry Aylward

Your responses vary on building 12-hole golf courses and how to attract more people to the game. [\(More...\)](#)

### The Latest

#### Slight Increase Is Good News

Rounds up a tad for the first time in three years. Also, course openings continue to decline. [\(More...\)](#)

#### Breaking Tradition? 50 Percent Will

Majority says they could live with 12-hole golf courses. [\(More...\)](#)

#### ITODA Establishes Training Institute

Initial programs will focus on sales training, with future programs to include information on operational issues. [\(More...\)](#)

#### University Hopes to Lease Course for Management Program

Coastal Carolina University wants a golf course for its golf management students. [\(More...\)](#)

### Online Exclusive

#### Kessler Touts Superintendents at GIS

By Thomas Skemivitz

Television personality fell in love with the sport, in part, because of the natural charm of the course. [\(More...\)](#)

### Sneak Preview

#### Coming in March

**Golfdom's Annual Guide on Green Maintenance:** Our report focuses on everything from the continued dangers of fast greens to taking the preventive approach in treating dollar spot. [\(More...\)](#)



### Working the Web

#### Potassium Use Highlighted in Virtual Seminar

Free Web course features Ohio State University professor Dr. Karl Danneberger. [\(More...\)](#)

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even when the sweeper is filling up. The offset feature allows the user to reposition the sweeper from the tow position to the collect position for maneuvering around the golf course. In addition, the roller height is adjustable for specific turf applications. For more information, contact [www.toro.com](http://www.toro.com).

### Optional hydraulic pump

The **TY-CROP** ProPass 180 Low Impact Broadcast Topdresser now offers an optional self-contained engine-powered hydraulic pump and reservoir. It can be towed behind many types of vehicles regardless of their hydraulic capabilities, which means the maintenance staff can share the topdresser without sharing the tow vehicle.

For more information, contact 800-845-7249 or [www.tycrop.com](http://www.tycrop.com).

### Bentgrasses

**Lebanon Turf** offers three new bentgrasses. The new varieties include Declaration Creeping bentgrass, a variety that has dollar spot resistance; Independence Creeping bentgrass, which has ideal density, color and mowing quality for fairways, greens and tees; and Legendary Velvet bentgrass, for smooth, lower input putting surfaces in regions where velvet bentgrass is adapted.

For more information, contact [www.lebanonturf.com](http://www.lebanonturf.com).

### Central control software

**Hunter Industries** introduces Surveyor, a central control software program aimed at mid to high golf course operations. The Surveyor includes a variety of graphical options, flow optimization, automated ET adjustment with weather station input

### Cross-conveyor attachment

Designed to increase the multi-functional productivity of its popular WideSpin 1530 topdresser line, **Turfco** is now offering a cross-conveyor attachment that allows the machine to also be used for material handling duties.

"The WideSpin 1530 is one of our most versatile topdressers, and this new cross-conveyor attachment expands the model's usefulness in course maintenance and renovation," said Scott Kinkead, executive vice president of Turfco. "When combined with the model's large hopper, the cross-conveyor allows crews to utilize the WideSpin 1530 year-round in a variety of roles, from toping off bunkers, adding mulch to flowerbeds, leveling and repacking sprinkler heads, and more."

For more information, contact [www.turfco.com](http://www.turfco.com).

and scheduling options.

For more information, contact 760-591-7344

or [www.hunterindustries.com](http://www.hunterindustries.com).

### Fungicide

**BASF Professional Turf's** Iprodione Pro 2SE fungicide has received registration from the California Environmental Protection Agency (Cal/EPA). Iprodione Pro provides California superintendents with economical control of 10 turfgrass diseases, including brown patch and dollar spot.

Iprodione Pro works preventively and curatively on diseases in both cool- and warm-season turfgrasses and ornamentals at any stage of growth.

For more information, contact [www.turfacts.com](http://www.turfacts.com).

### Hybrid fertilizer

**Growth Products'** new 18-3-6 takes its best-selling fertilizer for

20 years and combines it with natural L-amino acids to provide an important hybrid of organic-based and synthetic fertilizers. 18-3-6's organic component contains 17 amino acids and a broad spectrum of complex organic nutrients that aid in chelation, nutrient uptake and healthy turf green up.

For more information, contact 800-648-7626 or [www.growth-products.com](http://www.growth-products.com).

### Chlorothalanil

Pegasus and Pegasus DF brand chlorothalanil are the newest products to become a part of the growing line of products from **Phoenix Environmental Care LLC**. Pegasus and Pegasus DF are labeled for a broad spectrum of fungal diseases in turf and ornamentals.

For more information, contact 229-245-8845.



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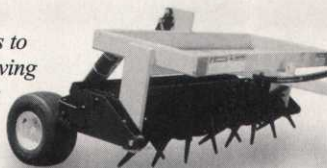
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