

COOL NEW TOOLS

Here's just a sample of some of the new products superintendents can find on the GIS trade show floor.

The Golf Industry Show is a bonanza for superintendents. In just a few days superintendents can take in specialized educational seminars, see old friends from college, network with international colleagues, listen to golf legends speak and oh, yeah — check out a ton of new hardware available for their golf course.

So somewhere between that Tuesday night Nick Price talk and the Friday morning bermudagrass seminar, don't forget to cruise through the big hall in the Orange County Convention Center to see what new products are out there to help you take care of your course.

plete 90 percent of applications without complicated directions or mechanical adjustments. A 25-cubic-foot hopper keeps operators on the course while still keeping a light footprint on greens. The company says the 1540 TEC gives an accurate, clean and precise spread from ultra-light to ultra-heavy and everything in between, with very few adjustments. Visit Turfco at the GIS at booth # 2740 or online at www.turfco.com.

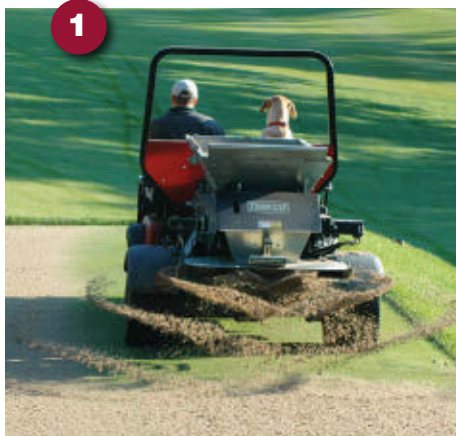


1 Turfco introduces what it calls the industry's most advanced topdresser, the WideSpin 1540 TEC truck-mounted broadcast topdresser. Featuring on-board diagnostics, electronic controls and WideSpin technology, the WideSpin 1540 TEC is designed for use with John Deere and Toro turf vehicles. A few mounting brackets and connections turn these trucks into quality broadcast spreaders. Simple, push-button controls on the electronic controller, combined with the unique spinner design allows operators to com-

2 Earthway Products introduces the new S15 Spray-Pro ground-driven push sprayer. The S15 is designed for spraying all types of liquids including ice control products, pesticides, herbicides and fertilizers. The S15 is a fully assembled smaller version of the S25 Spray-Pro Mark III, and includes an adjustable spray system that makes applications on sidewalks and parking lots easy to manage. The S15 is ideal for areas where the boom sprayer will not go. The S15 does not need gas or battery power. Visit Earthway at the Golf Industry Show at booth # 922, or visit online at www.earthway.com



3 Zylam 20SG Systemic Turf Insecticide from **PBI Gordon** is a 20-percent soluble granule formulation of dinotefuran, the latest generation of neonicotinoid insecticides. The company says it is the product of choice when you need "muscle in your tank" for control of turfgrass' toughest pests, including chinch bug, cutworms, mole crickets, European crane flies, billbugs and annual bluegrass weevils. Visit PBI Gordon at the GIS at booth # 852 or visit online at www.pbigordon.com.



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4 Club Car will unveil improvements to its Visage Mobile Golf Information System at the 2011 GIS. The improvements increase the system's ability to help course managers address critical revenue and expense needs while at the same time increasing customer satisfaction. Improvements include a vehicle locator feature, a scorecard e-mail service, real-time pin location updates and more control over food and beverage orders placed from the car. Visage utilizes a combination of cellular, wireless and GPS technologies to create what Club Car calls the "new face of customer experience." Club Car also plans to unveil a premium 8-volt battery at the show. The new battery comes with a 4-year/25,000 energy unit warranty and Club Car's single point watering system that makes filling batteries more efficient. Visit Club Car at booth # 1353 or online at www.clubcar.com.

5 Rain Bird 751 rotors offers rapid-adjust technology featuring MemoryArc, making it possible for superintendents to easily and quickly adjust watering on greens, fairways or roughs as needed. These simple, top-adjustable rotation settings retain the memory of their part-circle arc setting when shifting between full- and part-circle operations for quick, dry arc adjustments for the life of the rotor. Because the 751 rotors are backward-compatible with every Eagle rotor manufactured since 1992 means that many superintendents can simply drop the new 751 rotors into their existing rotor cases, saving both time and money. Rain Bird says field and laboratory tests have found the 751 rotors to be up to 23 percent more efficient than those offered by the next-closest competitor — with durability that helps the rotors last up to 10 times longer. Visit Rain Bird at the GIS at booth 1400 or visit them online at www.rainbird.com/golf.



6 A new "starter" herbicide providing post-emergent weed control without the wait, SquareOne herbicide is the latest innovation from **FMC Professional Solutions**. The new product has been registered by the EPA for use on lawns, golf courses, sod farms and athletic fields. Unlike other products that are too harsh on newly seeded turf or require multiple applications, SquareOne herbicide can be applied just one day before seeding or as early as seven days after emergence on most cool- and warm-season grasses. This means weed populations are reduced from the start, allowing for maximum turf density with fewer herbicide applications or the need to reseed the following spring. SquareOne is a patent-pending dispersible granule formulation that features a dual action, optimized combination of active ingredients that works primarily through foliar contact and uptake, but also continues to hold back weed competition until the new turf is established. It is labeled for crabgrass and many small broadleaf weeds, and can be used in both spring and fall turf projects on lawns, athletic fields, sod farms and golf courses. Visit FMC at the GIS at booth # 1815 or online at www.fmcprosolutions.com.



7 SonicSolutions has been designed to keep water features and irrigation ponds clear of algae. Environmentally safe, SonicSolutions uses the resonance of ultrasonic waves to kill algae, yet is safe for fish, plants and other aquatic life. A single unit covers up to 8 acres depending on conditions and uses less than 10 watts. Multiple units can be used in larger ponds. A solar powered model is also available with solar power system sold separately. Visit SonicSolutions at booth # 1009 at the GIS, or contact them at 888-KO-ALGAE (888-562-5423).



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8 **Standard Golf** will introduce several new products at the GIS, including new Junior Tournament flagsticks for practice greens. Similar to the larger flagstick style, the new distinctive fiberglass Junior Tournament rods are designed to taper from a 3/4-inch diameter at the center point of the rod to a 1/2-inch diameter at the tip and ferrule. Standard also releases an aluminum practice green cup, coated with an exclusive chip-resistant Bonderite powder coat. A new beveled edge bottom also makes it easier to insert and remove. Standard will also unveil a unique one-piece hole whitener system that sprays clean white holes in seconds. It requires no assembly and minimizes overspray by focusing the spraying close to the edge of the hole rather than spraying from the center of the cup. A built-in shield also provides added protection against overspray. Visit Standard Golf at booth # 2540 or visit the company online at www.standardgolf.com.



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9 At the 2011 GIS, **John Deere** will introduce a new walk greens mower. The SL Walk Greens Mower line's patented Speed Link technology will serve as a huge time saver for professionals, the company says. Features for the three SL Walk Greens Mowers (models 180SL, 220SL and 260SL) include: adjustable height of cut from one point on either side of the mower cutting unit; 70 percent reduction in steps needed for height adjustment; patented front roller bracket to quickly change roller to meet changing conditions; and optional push brush attachment that helps stand up the grass prior to cutting, providing a more pronounced stripe. To visit John Deere, stop by booth # 2001 or visit the company online at www.deere.com.



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10 Kocheck Irrigation Hoses have a series of hoses to offer the golf course industry, including their Dura Flow hose, the GH Series hose, the Ultralite hose and the Clear Braided hose. The Dura Flow is a heavy duty hose designed for durability and maximum flow, yet it looks and feels like a normal hose. The GH Series is a quality hose with a smooth black PVC inner tube. It features high working and burst pressures and is lightweight. The GH can stand up to exposure to harsh weather, the company says. The Ultralite is a durable yet lightweight hose that the company says is the most durable on the market. The hose comes with a 1-year warranty and is kink resistant. Finally, the Clear Braided hose is made of a lightweight clear PVC compound and reinforced with spiraled polyester and longitudinal tracer yarns. To see any of these hoses in

person, stop by booth # 832 at the GIS, or visit the company online at www.kocheck.com.

11 C & S Turf Care Equipment

announce the Turf Tracker Arc, an electric zero-turn riding spreader/sprayer. The Arc takes no gas and no oil, and produces no emissions or noise. The company says the spreader/sprayer can allow superintendents to spread or spray an acre of turf in just ten minutes. The Arc will last all day on a single charge, the company says. Plugging the Arc in at the end of the day will make it ready for work the next morning. For more information contact C & S Turf Care Equipment, 800-872-7050 (www.csturfequip.com).



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