



# Grace // LIGHT EQUIPMENT







### 1. Air Force Hover Mowers

The new F-19 from Air Force Hover Mowers, distributed by SEAGO USA, features the tallest impeller in the industry for maximum float. The increased airflow combined with the advanced design of the ABS injection molded deck, means maximum performance and the best power to weight ratio available. Additionally, the F-19 offers the longest and strongest handles as well as reinforced engine and handle mounts. Under the deck, the F-19 offers three blade options. The blade options include stainless steel swing blades, QC blades and line cutting options. Height of cut ranges from 3/4 inches to 2 1/2 inches with

the standard deck. Air Force offers a new clip on the Hi-Lift kit that takes the maximum height of cut to 3 ¾ inches. seagousa.com

### 2. Greensmater eFlex Walk Greensmower

Extremely quiet and emission-free, Toro's all-electric Greensmater eFlex is built with the automated EZ-Turn feature that automatically slows the mower down at the end of a mowing pass and speeds it up again on the return pass without sacrificing quality of cut, resulting in better control and reduced turf damage. Available in the 1800 (18-inch cutting width) and the 2100 (21-inch cutting width) models, these walk-behind greens mowers are among the quietest and most efficient on the market. The eFlex also utilizes lithium-ion battery technology, allowing operators to mow approximately 45,000 square feet of turf on a single charge. A convenient LCD display provides an ongoing battery charge status and also displays useful information such as machine hours and battery health. The battery comes with a five-year warranty. toro.com

## 3. Multitiner

Simple design with low maintenance, the Multitiner from **SISIS** is a drum type tractor-mounted aerator for use on fine turf surfaces. The Multitiner is well suited to perform a range of various aeration methods such as solid, chisel and hollow tining. Fast and effective, the company says these aerators will leave minimal surface disturbance. Features include a quick-release guard cover, quick-release tines that require no tools, independent rotation drums and 3-point linkage for most tractors. sisis.com

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# **Matt Whalen**

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SUPERINTENDENT // Cheyenne (Wyo.) CC

What's your drink of choice after 18 holes? It's always a Miller Lite. But my friends would call bull on me if I didn't tell you I've already had a 6-pack by the end of the round.

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So if you live in Cheyenne, who are the teams you pull for? The Denver Broncos, the Nuggets, the Avalanche, the Rockies - Denver is only an hourand-a-half south of us. I grew up a huge Notre Dame fan... but I played for the University of Wyoming, so I still root for the Pokes.

What did you play? I played outside linebacker, just one year. I got tired of being a moving tackling dummy. Your body takes a beating. After Coach (Joe) Tiller left to go to Purdue, I saw the writing on the wall, so I bowed out. I was a Wyoming kid, so it was always a dream to go play for the Cowboys, and that's what I did.

So you told me about your two boys, Liam (6) and Grady (4). But how did you meet your wife? Melissa was a horticulture major, so we had a bunch of classes together. My story is, I got tired of her always cheating off of me, so I finally asked her out on a date and she said yes.

"I ALWAYS LOOK FORWARD TO THE BRITISH OPEN. EVERYBODY LOOKS FORWARD TO THE MASTERS, BUT IT DRIVES ME CRAZY HERE BECAUSE EVERYBODY GETS THE AUGUSTA SYNDROME."

But it actually was the other way around. We did some homework assignments together, became quick friends, dated for six months and I asked her to marry me. The rest is history, going on 12 years of marriage.

#### Ever taken her any place really

**cool?** Thank goodness my mechanic was busy this one day and he asked me to look up some parts on JohnDeere.com. A little pop-up came on the screen and I just entered my name, email and phone number. I got a call in late June saying I won a trip to the 2011 British Open courtesy of John Deere. I got to spend five great days in London with my wife. We went to the tournament and had an all-access VIP pass.

#### Now that sounds amazing. What was that tournament like in person?

The one thing I will tell you about the course conditions and the weather, the courses are not as green as our courses here, but by no stretch of the imagination are they less maintained. Those courses are perfect. But the wind and the rain? Yeah, that's all true. I'm from Cheyenne and I've never seen rain come at you sideways. When you're holding your umbrella at your hip rather than over your head? Something is amiss. That's an interesting weather pattern.

As interviewed by Seth Jones, April 2nd, 2014.





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