

GREEN INDUSTRY SHOWCASE

Riding equipment saves time on the golf course

"We average about 60,000 rounds a season at Dwan Golf Course," notes Arnie Bodhaine, superintendent of golf for the city of Bloomington, Minn. "Hyland Greens gets about 75,000 rounds each year."

Dwan is an 18-hole, par-68 course,

Hyland Greens is two 9-hole, par-3 courses.

The high use rates keep Bodhaine's crews hopping. One thing that has proven to be a big time-saver was the addition two years ago of a Cushman Core Harvester attachment.

"It cuts our greens aeration time in half," Bodhaine says. "With our three Ryan

Greensaire aerators, two Cushman Top Dressers and the Core Harvester, we can knock out all 18 greens in about 11 hours. We aerate, remove the plugs, top dress, fertilize, water in, and we're ready for golf again."

Bodhaine reduces tee aeration time by using a Ryan GA 30 riding aerator, which is also used on traffic areas and



The Ryan GA 30 aerator saves time on tees, traffic areas and approaches. Non-coring tines speed up work in wet weather.



Roughs are mowed with Cushman out-front rotary mowers. They cut faster and better, according to superintendent Arnie Bodhaine.

approaches, and a new Fifth Wheel Cushman GA 60 aerator for the bluegrass fairways.

Greens and tees are clipped with reel mowers, but Bodhaine now uses out-front rotary mowers more often in roughs.

"The Cushman Front Lines do a better job in the taller grass," he says. "With their maneuverability, rough mowing is easier and faster."

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SHOWCASE PRODUCT REVIEW

Irrigation design software is more powerful, efficient

RainCad irrigation design software version 2.0 from Rain Bird now has more power and functionality with greater ease of use.

The new program increases re-drawing speed by 300 percent.

Keyboard interface has been substantially reduced and replaced with simple clicks of the "mouse" control.

Speed has been boosted, and enhanced keyboard interface cuts drawing time more than 30 percent over version 1.0, says Rain Bird.

The Version 2.0 now has cost estimating capability plus Material Take-off functions. It also allows the user to build customized Tied-Assemblies, resulting in a

"fittings-level" material take-off.

Other enhancements include more automation of sprinkler head layouts, the addition of 300 more customizable symbols, 20 points of connection, 40 separate controllers, 3000 valves per drawing page and more irrigation equipment choices.

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Surface spray aerator with interchangeable patterns

Otterbine's Concept2 series aerators feature four different interchangeable spray patterns: Sunburst; Phoenix2, which is a two-tiered pattern; Rocket2, a geyser-like pattern and High Volume2, a powerful aeration unit.

Otterbine spray aerators keep ponds

and waterways naturally clear of foul odors, aquatic weeds and algae.

Rock covers and lighting packages are optional.

Motors are energy-efficient and built to last.

All systems are safety tested and approved as a package by ETL.

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Engines built for variety in construction, turf industries

Kawasaki's FA engine series' side-valve design gives the engines a compact look.

The four engines in the line—the FA76D, FA130D, FA210D and FA210V—range in size from 76cc to 207cc, with output ranging from 1.7 to 5.2 hp.

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