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Tough backhoe loaders

Komatsu introduces two new backhoe loaders that feature the company's Avance excavator technology with the HydraMind system. These features allow the machine to react almost instantly to a specific operator control, providing greater smoothness and controllability. The WB140-2 is 16,600 lbs. and 86 hp with a maximum digging depth of 14 ft., 6 in. The WB150-2 is 17,394 lbs. and 98 hp with a maximum digging depth of 15 ft., 6 in. Other features include a closed center load sensing system, load independent flow dividers, two working modes and speed-up.

For more information contact Komatsu at 847/970-5891 / circle no. 250

Elbow room

The Gehl 35 Series skid loaders feature spacious cabs with three different control options. User convenience and efficiency are emphasized by the loaders' excellent accessibility, powerful hydraulics and All-Tach mounting system that provides for various attachments. SAE operating capacities of the four models range from 1,425 to 2,650 lbs.

For more information contact Gehl at 262/334-9461 / circle no. 251

Spread the word

Gandy's two sizes of broadcast spreaders in push and tractor-tow models have 50- and 100-lb. capacity hoppers supported by an epoxy-coated carriage with pneumatic tires. All of the models have molded nylon and stainless steel metering components and an enclosed gearbox. The broadcast metering system has flow direction closures on the hopper bottom to reduce flow to right or left.

For more information contact Gandy at 800/443-2476 or www.gandy.net or circle no. 252

Uplifting experience

Mertz says that its new Hinowa Tracklift™ is being hailed as the smallest, least expensive all-

Touch screen system controls

J and J Truck Bodies and Trailers has integrated Action Trakker™ software into its DynaControl® Central Hydraulics System.™ Available in J and J's line of snow and ice control equipment, the Action Trakker lets the driver control all auxiliary functions from within the cab. The Action Trakker also collects operational and incident data for communication and tracking purposes as well for the reduction of liability.

For more information contact J and J at 814/443-1691, ext. 355 or www.JJbodies.com / circle no. 253



terrain/self-propelled mobile aerial lift in the world. With its retractable track system, the Tracklift can compress to a width of 30.7 in., enabling it to pass through doorways. Weighing in at 3,197 lbs., it's 34 ft. tall and can lift as



much as 440 lbs. at 1.3 ft. per second. Its aerial platform measures 51x28x43 in.

For more information contact Mertz at 580/763-0085 or www.mertzok.com / circle no. 254

Si, software

Now they're speaking your language - Simple Solutions, that is. The company has added Transparent Language's TranscendRT to its operations software package, Service-Ware. Translation? A manager can type instructions in English and, with a click of a button, translate those instructions into Spanish or Portuguese. Simple Solutions says that TranscendRT is not only accurate but can customize libraries to allow customers to save terminology specific to their industry.

For more information contact Simple Solutions

at 877/546-9594 or www.simpleSS.com / circle no. 255

Customized blade length

Fiskars' six in. Sliding Blade Pruning Saw™ has an adjustable blade which slides into the handle, allowing the blade length to be customized to the branch or angle being worked with. The sliding feature allows for compact and safe storage while the curved shape of the handle keeps the user's wrist in the right position.

For more information contact Fiskars at 800/500-4849 or www.fiskars.com / circle no. 256

Ergonomically designed chain saw

Solo's new top handle chain saw features a new ergonomic design with greater balance, easier starting and more stable operation during acceleration. Powered by a 2.2-cu. in. displacement engine, it features an antivibration system and easy-to-start primer system. It weighs less than 8 lbs., delivers a full 2.0 in horsepower and is equipped with a safety chain brake.



For more information contact Solo at 757/245-4228 / circle no.

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Tends to turf

Dakota's new Turf Tender topdresser/spreader is designed to pull behind any utility vehicle or tractor. The standard machine is designed to operate with a vehicle that has a minimum hydraulic flow of 3.5 gpm. An optional 8 hp Honda motor with electric start powers the hydraulic system. Its hopper is built to hold more than .75 cu. yd. of materials and designed to fit loader buckets up to six ft. wide to reduce spilling and waste. The machine can spread any typical material used in landscapes.



For more information contact Dakota at 218/773-1946 or www.dakotapeat.com / circle no. 258

Versatile wheel loader

Caterpillar's new wheel loader features a VersaLink Loader Linkage with a one-piece, fabricated box-section design. The standard model's linkage features a hydraulic quick coupler for fast work tool changes, while a high lift VersaLink option adds 20-in. of dump height. Other features include a pilot-controlled loader hydraulic system with a low-effort joystick control and a turbocharged, six-cylinder, 114-hp diesel engine. Optional remote forward/neutral/reverse switch fits machines equipped with the joystick control.



For more information contact Caterpillar Inc., P.O. box 10097, Peoria, IL 61612-0097 / circle no. 259

Maintenance-free grate

Fibergrate Composite Structures' Aqua Grate™ is made of pultruded fiberglass reinforced plastic and designed with a fine grit-top surface for slip resistance. For use in recreational and industrial marine applications, it is resistant to corrosion and UV. The 1/4-in. space between Aqua Grate's bearing bars was designed to further reduce slips, and the grating's 1 1/2-in. wide flange provides ensures comfort to pedestrian traffic.

For more information contact Fibergrate at 972/250-1633 or www.fibergrate.com / circle no. 260

Chase those deer away

R.J. Advantage has added ReJex-iT® to its line of benign wildlife control products, a repellent that keeps deer from grazing on flowers, decorative and ornamental plants, shrubs, conifers and deciduous trees. The company claims ReJex-iT, a taste and odor deterrent, can be effective for up to two weeks and won't change the color, texture or appearance of plants.

For more information contact R.J. Advantage at 800/423-2473 / circle no. 261

Mulch-n-More

Spyker Spreaders says that its Mulch-N-More can spread PennMulch™ in one pass without bridging or clogging. And, in the push, pull or electric models, a removable spinner blade and optional calibration tray ensures accuracy for maximum cost efficiency.

For more information contact Spyker at 888/877-9537 / circle no. 262

Hungry for weeds

Weed Tiger's trimmer lines eliminate the need to "tap and go" with a trimmer, the company says, because the line begins and remains at a

fixed length and doesn't need winding. Drill a hole near the existing grommet hole, insert the Weed Tiger from the outside and restart. The bright yellow color increases visibility.

For more information contact Weed Tiger at 804/636-9333 or circle no. 263

Tall grass mower

Bachtold Bros.' 7001 weed and brush cutter has an optional 30-in. cutting head powered by an 8-hp engine that was made to deal with grass up to 6 in. tall. Nickel-plated, 20-in. wheels and a 9-to-1 chain reduction drive with positive traction assists the mower through tough terrain. It comes with a standard Briggs & Stratton 8-hp engine.

Contact Bachtold Bros. Inc. at 217/784-5161; www.bachtoldbros.com or circle no. 264

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