### **MOWERS DRIVING EFFICIENCY**

It's all about productivity. Here, Landscape Management offers a roundup of what manufacturers say are their best tools for contractors looking to save time and money.



# CUB CADET

Cub Cadet Commercial's TANK S LP is a solution for those looking to

reduce emissions and lower fuel costs without sacrificing performance. The benefits of liquid propane offer professionals longer engine life, longer run times and less engine maintenance. Cub Cadet's TANK S LP also meets current EPA and CARB emissions standards. CubCadet.com

#### **DIXIE CHOPPER**

Dixie Chopper's Xcalober propane-powered zero-turn machine features a 990-cc (approximately 30-hp) Generac LP engine fueled by two 40-lb. cylinders (7.9 gal.) that utilizes higher compression pistons



and advanced timing for fuel efficiency. The Xcaliber, available with a 66- or 74-in. deck, cuts approximately 6 acres per hour. DixieChopper.com

#### DIXON

Dixon's lawn tractors include the D22KH46 with a 22-hp, twin-cylinder Kohler engine and a two-blade, 46-in. cutting width; the D25KH48 with a 25-hp, twin-cylinder Kohler engine and 48-in. cutting width; and the D26KH54 with a 26-hp, twin-cylinder Kawasaki FR engine and a 54-in. cutting width. All units have hydrostatic pedal control transmission, electric push button blade engagement, cruise control and comfort features. Dixon-ZTR.com

#### **EXMARK**

The propane-powered Lazer Z X-Series mowers, with 29-hp Kawasaki V-twin propane engines, are EPAcertified and feature sealed fuel systems with 43.5-lb. tanks that can hold 10.3



gal. of propane and deliver 5 to 6 hours of run time. They are available with 60-in. UltraCut™ Series 6 cutting decks, and include welded, heavy-duty 1.5"x3" tubular steel unibodies. Exmark.com

#### **FERRIS**

The IS 3100Z has an 895-cc Briggs & Stratton Vanguard Big Block V-Twin engine with a 72-in. deck or 61-in. iCD cutting system. 2011 models



offer contoured seats with optional suspension platforms. This, combined with Ferris' patented four-wheel suspension

system, can boost quality-of-cut and comfort. This propane-powered mower offers reduced emissions (up to 30% less) and is certified to conform to NFPA 58-2002. With a top ground speed of 12 mph, the IS 3100Z can mow up to 7.2 acres per hour. FerrisIndustries.com

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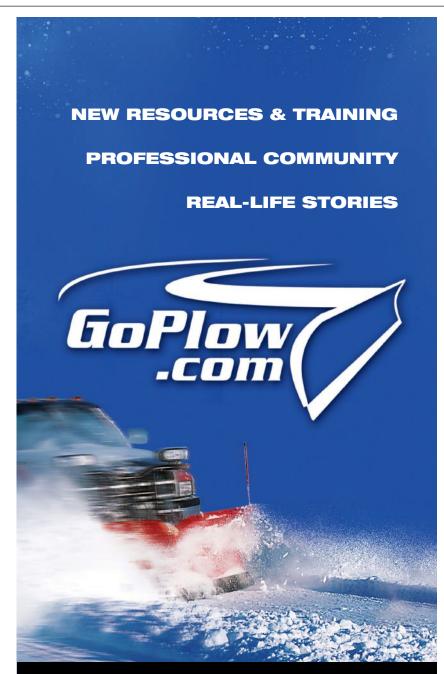


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#### GRASSHOPPER

The 226V MidMount mower features a 26hp, professional series V-twin engine, as well as an advanced debris management system, 12-gal. fuel capacity and forward mowing speeds of up to 9 mph (5 acres/hour). It's also equipped with

a commercial-grade Parker pump and wheel motor drive system said to increase long-term value, and robotically welded, fabricated 5.5-in.-deep cutting decks with optional Down Discharge mulching and PowerVac capability. Other features include a contoured cushioned seat with coil-spring suspension, foldable armrests, HydraSmooth dampened dual steering levers that adjust to the operator's reach, and a shock-absorbing footrest. GrasshopperMower.com



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#### GRAVELY



The Gravely Pro-Ride has a high-volume tunnel deck for mowing tall, thick or wet grass. Made of 7-gauge welding construction, the tunnel deck features

a 149-sq.-in. discharge opening, overlapping blades and baffle-free front design. The zeroturn features a 54-, 60- or 66-in. deck with a 27-hp (31-hp for the 66 in. model) Kawasaki FX engine. Twin hydrostatic drives and top-mounted cooling fans are said to keep these mowers 37° degrees cooler. Gravely.com

#### **HUSQVARNA**

With the PZ line of zero-turns, Husgvarna focused on five areas: productivity, cut, durability, comfort and serviceability. Propane was used as the fuel source



because it's said to have lower costs, reduced environmental impact, fewer engine repairs and potential tax benefits. With a 29-hp Kawasaki LPG series engine and optional dual 33-lb. tanks that hold approximately 14 gal., the PZ6029PFX offers all day operation. Husqvarna.com

#### **HUSTLER TURF EQUIPMENT**

Hustler's X-One and Super Z mowers have VX4 deck technology, with four "V's": Velocity: Tunnel in front of blades and wider discharge opening moves grass through faster. Volume: Higher air and grass



volume throughput means less material in the cutting chambers and higher ground speeds. Vacuum: Higher cut quality as grass is better lifted during cutting. Versatility: The adjustable front inner wall is said to optimize performance in all grass conditions. HustlerTurf.com

#### **JACOBSEN**

The Jacobsen R-311 Turbo triple deck rotary mower works well in challenging, large turf conditions. It features a turbo-charged Kubota V2403-M engine at 60-hp. With a 134-in. cutting width and a 7.7 mph mowing speed, productivity is 10.4 acres an hour. Decks are available at 64-in., 99-in. and 134-in. (all decks down). Jacobsen.com

#### JOHN DEERE

Designed and developed in response to customer input,

the seven models in the Z900 lineup have the 7-Iron<sup>™</sup> Pro deck with full-wrap reinforcement and Mulch-on-Demand<sup>™</sup>. The Z900s have mowing speeds of 10.5 or 12 mph, and include a ground-drive transmission with a piston motor, internal wet disc brakes and a gear reduction final drive for more torque. The series also offers ergonomic control levers, dial-in height-of-cut adjustment, on-board self-diagnostics, run-flat tires and Brake & Go system. JohnDeere.com



## KUBOTA

Kubota's ZD221 offers a 21-hp Kubota diesel engine in a compact zero-turn frame. Supplying 40 lbs.-per-ft. of torque, the high torque-to-hp ratio

equals savings. Featuring Kubota's Pro-Commercial Decks, the ZD221 offers 48- and 54-in. options, flexible discharge chute, anti-overflow system, and Kubota's baffle design. An optional front lift allows quick maintenance without removing the mower deck. *Kubota.com* 

#### SCAG

With a two-speed heavy-duty hydraulic drive system, double tube steel main frame, and adjustable Operator Suspension System,



the Scag Cheetah is said to set benchmarks in performance and comfort. A variety of high-hp gasoline engine options can deliver maximum power. A low center-of-gravity and wide stance can provide traction and stability. Ground speeds up to 16 mph can increase productivity. And a 61-in. or 72-in. Velocity Plus cutter deck assures quality-of-cut. *Scag.com* 

#### **SCHILLER GROUNDS**

The Bob-Cat Predator Pro Zero-Turn Riding Mower features a 37hp Kawasaki Digital Fuel

Injection (DFI) engine that uses an electronic governor (E-Gov) system, which is said to make the unit react quickly to changing load conditions while metering fuel to the engine. This



means the mower doesn't lose engine RPM, resulting in higher performance, and maintains blade tip and ground speed as turf or terrain conditions change — all while maximizing fuel efficiency. *BobCatTurf.com* 

#### **SNAPPER**

The S200xp has an 895-cc Briggs & Stratton Vanguard Big Block V-Twin engine with a 61-in.



iCD cutting system. 2011 models have dual Hydro-Gear ZT-5400

commercial powertrains and contoured seats with optional suspension platforms. This propane-powered commercial mower offers reduced emissions (up to 30% less) and is certified to conform to NFPA 58-2002. With a top ground speed of 10 mph, the S200xp can mow up to 6 acres per hour. *Snapper.com* 

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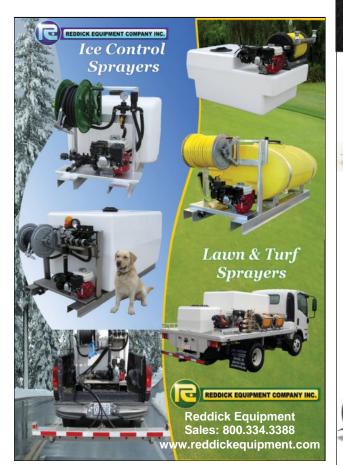


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#### TORO



Z Master zero-turns offer three options: propane, biodiesel and electronic fuel injection (EFI). Propane mean 48% less greenhouse gas emissions. All of Toro's Z Master 2011 models are equipped to operate on biodiesel fuels up to B20 (20% biodiesel and 80% petroleum diesel). EFI mowers are said to provide up to

25% better fuel economy than equivalent carbureted engines. Toro.com

#### WALKER

The MT26 features an air-cooled 26-hp OHV V-Twin Kohler engine with EFI technology that delivers responsive, fuel-efficient performance. The MT26 has a clam-shell style body and chassis to accommodate a higher hp engine and a splined PTO drive shaft with a quick-disconnect coupler. *WalkerMowers.com* 



#### WRIGHT



The Wright Stander X is said to offer high ground speed, maneuverability and reliability. From a standing position, operators can shift weight to handle changing terrain. A quick cut height adjustment and floating cutter deck are said to deliver quality. It comes in many deck sizes, including 32-in., 36in., 42-in., 48-in., 52-in. and 61-in. *WrightMfg.com* 



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