

ROOKIES

PRODUCT UPDATE

REFLECTIVE RAIN COVER



Engineers at Covermaster have figured out how to make rain covers lighter and less expensive without sacrificing strength and durability. Using new fiber technology, the company has made the field cover light enough for four people to handle. The material is also highly tear resistant so it can stand up to surface traffic and gusting winds.

A coating on the fabric reflects heat from sunlight keeping temperatures underneath the cover from damaging turf for up to 20 hours. The company has specialized in athletic field covers for nearly 20 years supplying stadiums and sports facilities across the U.S. and Canada.

COVERMASTER INC.

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WATER SAVING CONTROLLER



The Calsense 1000 irrigation control computer working in conjunction with field moisture sensors can reduce water usage by 30 percent or more according to California Sensor Corp.

The computer communicates with the sensors over the existing wiring. A single sensor can be used for several stations while still maintaining individual control for each station. These two features reduce installation costs compared to moisture sensors in valve boxes.

Operation requires only periodic adjustment of set points to maintain moisture at desired levels. An automatic override enables valves to be serviced without interference from the computer.

The controller stores irrigation history for a month or longer. This data can be transferred to a portable computer for analysis of trends and for optimizing irrigation programs.

CALIFORNIA SENSOR CORP.

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DEEP AERIFIER



Under the right conditions turfgrass root systems grow deep into the soil. Air, water and nutrients deep in the soil encourage roots to grow and expand below the top three inches typically cultivated by aeration machines. Without periodic deep aeration root systems are shallow and cannot withstand the stresses of traffic, drought and pests.

The Verti-Groove cultivates the soil from one to six inches deep allowing air, water and nutrients to penetrate and encourage deep rooting. It also breaks through subsurface layers that can restrict root depth and disrupt drainage.

The aerifier cuts and removes a narrow groove of soil and thatch without creating a hardpan layer. It has no moving parts and can be attached to various tractors to aerify at any speed. The Verti-Groove is manufactured by Ransomes Inc.

TURF-TEC INTERNATIONAL

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NUMBER STENCILS



Marking yard lines on football fields is faster and more professional looking with giant stencils from Newstripe. High schools, colleges and parks can improve both practice and stadium fields with the six-foot numerals and letter "G."

The durable, thick polyethylene stencils last for seasons and fold up conveniently for storage. They make touch up between games simpler so that a high quality appearance can be maintained throughout the football season regardless of the use of the field.

The company also manufactures a complete line of marking equipment and a wide assortment of stencils for sports and traffic uses.

NEWSTRIPE, INC.

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FERTILIZER WITH IRON

In an effort to improve turf performance, the ProTurf Division of O.M. Scott & Sons has introduced Turf Fertilizer with Iron, which combines the advantages of SREF (Slow Release Encapsulated Fertilizer) technology with sufficient iron in plant-available form (ferrous sulfate) to help correct and prevent iron deficiencies. It is formulated for use on all turf grasses on fairways and other large turf areas.

Because of the single coating of sulfur on each SREF particle, the nitrogen in Turf Fertilizer delivers good greening for up to two months, with consistent, sustained nitrogen release for great turf performance.

Other product features include a clean, dust-free, free-flowing form that's ready to use; no inert carrier; choice of application rates for cool and warm season grasses; and easy application with a rotary spreader.

O.M. SCOTT & SONS COMPANY

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WILDFLOWER SEED

North American Low Growing Wildflower Mixture offers lower, more controlled plant height and growth habit. Because of its tidy appearance, this mixture can be used in areas that border on turfgrass.

The mixture, packaged by Environmental Seed Producers, Inc., combines 21 native and naturalized wildflowers which are six- to 16-inches tall. The species create a well balanced blend of annuals and perennials offering a diverse range of colors and a long blooming period. The mixture is adapted to a wide range of climatic conditions and will perform well in every region of the country.

ENVIRONMENTAL SEED PRODUCERS

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NATURAL FUNGICIDE



Ringer Corporation calls Turf Restore "a completely natural, total-turf-care product." It is said to eliminate conditions that promote common patch diseases, allowing older patches to fill in and preventing the chance of new problems from occurring. It also reduces thatch and is a long-lasting fertilizer.

This product contains actual soil microorganisms and enzymes, along with special organic materials. Through decomposition, nutrients are fed naturally to lawns, helping to recreate the natural cycle of growth.

Beneficial microorganisms are produced by the billions, gradually outnumbering the 40 sportsTURF

disease pathogens and suppressing the disease. Thatch is also reduced through the decomposition process. Turf Restore is designed to treat the cause of lawn disease, not the symptoms.

However, it is not an instant cure, the maker warns. It is a product that has proven successful when used as a program. Within two to four weeks of the first application, you should be able to see that your lawn has become greener and that the problem areas have stabilized. After the second and third application, problem areas steadily begin to fill in, and the whole lawn will look thicker, lusher and greener, the maker promises.

The product contains bone meal, feather meal, wheat germ, soya, yeast, and muriate of potash.

RINGER CORPORATION

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CHIPPER/GRINDER



Henke Machine has increased the versatility of its chipper/grinder by adding a blower assembly with a six-inch-diameter, 30-foot-long hose. Not only does the unit grind up limbs and lumber, the blower and hose assembly can be used to distribute mulch or to vacuum leaves and debris for grinding.

The chipper hopper allows the operator to grind up to 3.5-inch-diameter tree limbs, including evergreen limbs and 2 x 4 lumber. With the round tub and hopper assembly, it is capable of grinding baled hay, straw, corn cobs, compost, pine needles, newspapers, cardboard, etc. Two adjustable finger grates make it possible to size the material to your specific needs.

The PTO model, powered by tractors with 20 to 50 hp, is designed for continuous heavy

duty. A self-powered chipper/grinder is also available.

HENKE MACHINE INC.

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SELF-PROPELLED STRIPER



EZ-Liner Industries has developed a new self-propelled option for both its single and dual version of Model 588 EZ-Liner. The unit is belt driven with fully pneumatic controls. Its double handle and fixed rear caster allow for maximum maneuverability and straight line operation. The dual gun set-up with adjustable stripe width from two- to six-inches, makes double-line marking quick and easy.

The Model 588 comes with a five hp Briggs and Stratton engine and an 8 1/2 gallon paint tank. The gun detaches for hand painting of curbs, stencils, etc.

EZ-LINER INDUSTRIES

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COMMERCIAL SWEEPER

The Hako-Groundskeeper 36-inch Commercial Broom Sweeper clears dirt, dried mud, debris and trash wherever it is found outdoors. For instance, it cleans driveways, sidewalks, parking lots and stadium walkways.

Powered by an industrial 203 cubic centimeter, 3.5 kw, air-cooled engine with electronic ignition, the Commercial Broom Sweeper has two forward speeds and one reverse, all controlled from the handle. A water-spraying attachment and front rubber apron prevent excessive dust kick-up. The broom angle is fully adjustable.

HAKO INTERNATIONAL

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GAS-POWERED STRIPER



Pioneer Manufacturing Co. of Cleveland, OH has introduced the Brite Striper Model 1500 gasoline-powered line striper.

Designed for years of problem-free service, the striper features a Briggs and Stratton engine, a large seven-gallon stainless steel paint tank with a five year warranty against rust, and a brass spraying system with an in-line paint filter.

It has a heavy-gauge welded steel frame on three fully pneumatic rubber tires, and rolls smoothly on any field for a sharp, straight line every time. Standard equipment includes a 12-foot hand hose with wand, guideline pointer and fully adjustable off-set spray box.

PIONEER MFG. CO.

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MARKING FLAGS

Keep track of sprinkler head and valve locations during installation and maintenance with marking flags. American Marking Corporation's flags come in a wide assortment of colors and styles.

They are available as plain or personalized, in any of seven brilliant colors—red, orange, yellow, lime, green, blue, and white.

Heat-welded by a new process, these flags are available in two sizes, three inches by three inches and four by four inches and come on a 15-inch shaft or 21-inch shaft.

AMERICAN MARKING CORP.

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SCOREBOARD

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STADIUM TURF MANAGER \$2,825 - \$3,425 Per Month

The city of San Diego is seeking someone to manage an overall sports turf maintenance program for the San Diego - Jack Murphy Stadium, home of the **CHARGERS, PADRES, AZTECS, and HOLIDAY BOWL.** Requires 5 years experience in sports turf maintenance. To apply or for more information contact: Employment Information Center, City Administration Building, Lobby, 202 C Street, San Diego, CA 92101, (619) 236-5753. An equal opportunity employer.

POSITION WANTED

Experienced golf course superintendent seeks position in turf management. Seven years golf course experience on bent and Tidwarf bermudagrass. Contact: Richard Harvey, P.O. Box 150, Seymour, TX, 76380, (817) 888-5258.

GOLF COURSE MECHANIC

New resort/housing development with golf course is seeking a qualified golf course mechanic. Full-time, twelve-month position. Knowledge of reel grinding preferred, but not mandatory. If you would like a change of pace and improved quality of life, please apply for this position located in the beautiful Big Sky Country! Send resumes to Eagle Bend Golf Club, Attention: Jon Heselwood, 820 Holt Drive, Bigfork, MT 59911.

FOR SALE

50-Ft. aerial basket, 500 lbs. capacity made by Hi-Ranger. Air compressor for air power tools. Additional Wisconsin motor to operate the boom. Mounted on a 67 International 5-ton truck. Includes tool box. Asking \$13,000. Make your offer. (818) 769-3990.

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