

#### DIAMOND GROOMER

Bannerman Ltd. has available two groomers used to shape, level, and care for baseball diamonds. The B-BP-6 Ballpark-6 model has five grooming tools, including ripper blade, rake, leveler, roller, and finishing brush. Options include: extension wing brush kit; hydraulic tractor top link; 50-gal. water tank with spray nozzle; and long tine "fluffing" rake.

Bannerman/800-665-2696 For information, circle 198

#### 42-IN. ZERO-TURN MOWER

The Swisher ZTR 42-in. commercial cutting width mower will make short order of the biggest mowing jobs. The easy handling and maneuverability make mowing around trees, shrubs, and obstacles a walk in the park. The unit features: 17.5-hp Briggs & Stratton OHV engine; twin hydrostatic transmissions; comfortable high back seat with arm rests; twin comfort grip control levers; mid-mount mowing deck; and 2-yr. engine warranty.

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A common problem is an infield skin's top inch becoming saturated with water after a rainstorm, while the lower 3-4 in. remain dry. Beacon Ballfields says a "plow pan" forms when water takes suspended silt and clay particles off the skin surface and drains through coarser sand particles. These fine particles clog the open spaces in the mix at a point about 1 to 1 1/2 in. down.

Beacon's Plow Pan Spiker penetrates through the top 1-2 in. to break up the pan and remix the infield soil. The unit has forged spikes that should never need replaced. Both the 4- and 6-ft. models hold standard cement blocks for more penetration.

Beacon Ballfields/800-747-5985 For information, circle 191

#### MODULAR POWER RAKE

The productivity and versatility of the Harley Power Box Rake has made this attachment very popular. The new modular design lets you choose or upgrade to a rake that's right for you and your budget.

Features include: Double #50 drive chain in oil bath; reversible box endplates for forward or reverse box raking with any attachment plate; removable and reversible endplates for windrowing or reverse box raking (no bolts, just pull the bins); adjustable Rhino-Hide barrier above the roller allows you to quickly react to soil moisture conditions; and dual independently adjustable gauge wheels allow for skim passes for over-seeding, or adjust to cut drainage grades.

GLENMAC, Inc./800-437-9779 For information, circle 195

#### GANG REEL FOR BASEBALL FIELDS

ProMow introduces The FLEX, a gang reel mowing system designed in part for baseball fields and infields. The 5-ft. cutting path will deliver a scissors-type cut and a healthier field by not chopping the grass. ProMow/877-477-6669 For information, circle 193

#### **NEW GROUND-FOLLOWING ROTARIES**

The new Toro Groundsmaster 4500-D and 4700-D incorporate Contour Plus floating decks with full rear rollers to deliver a precision cut and turf striping for sports field and golf applications.

"These mowers deliver a premier quality of cut for rough and trim golf course applications," said Tim Koch, Toro marketing manager. "In addition, the rear rollers behind each deck provide an attractive striping effect that is well suited to sports field applications."

The Groundsmaster 4500-D features five floating cutting units providing a 9-ft. width of cut; the Groundsmaster 4700-D features seven cutting units for a 12.5-ft. width of cut. Both units are powered by a Kubota 60-hp turbo-charged, four cylinder, diesel engine. The full-time, bi-directional 4-wheel drive while mowing assures dependable traction when negotiating hills and wet terrain.

The Toro Company/952-888-8801 For information, circle 190

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#### **ELECTRIC CHAIN SAW**

Remington introduces their newly designed 3.5-hp electric chain saw. The improved styling gives the chain saw a modern powerful look full of safety elements, including a full wrap-around front handle makes for comfortable handling at all cutting angles, while the rear handle features a one-of-a-kind soft-touch grip for comfort and reduced vibration.

Built-in steel bucking teeth are great for leverage and pivoting, while a narrow nose bar tip and chain design safeguard against kickback. The new finger chain tension system offers convenient chain tensioning without using a screwdriver and a power cord hitch holds cord for safer cord management.

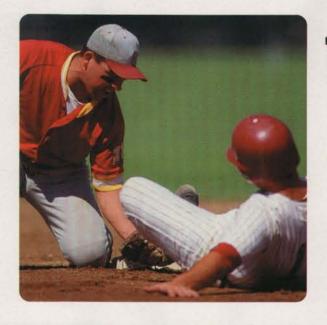
This new Remington electric chain saw is one of the lightest in the industry at 9.5 lbs.

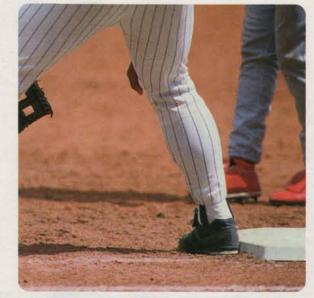
Remington/800-858-8501 For information, circle 057



#### HUSTLING HYDROS

The Hustler line of Hydro WalkBehinds keeps growing. New this year is a 37-in. model and an electric start option on the 17-hp Kawasaki engine. Deck sizes can be either 48 or 54 in. Patented H-Bar steering makes the Hustler Hydro WalkBehind easy to learn and operate; it features simple motorcyclestyle controls with a forward twist to go forward and a twist back for reverse. Add the Hustler Sulky and the Hustler Hydro WalkBehind becomes a zero-turn front-mount mower. Other options include a deck-mounted catcher, mulch kit, and Gator blades. Hustler Turf Equipment/ 800-395-4757 For information, circle 056







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#### LOADER BACKHOE

Featuring a servo-controlled hydrostatic transmission, a 25-hp diesel engine and an exclusive ESL backhoe design, the new Allmand TLB-425 heavy-duty compact tractor loader backhoe can perform in many applications.

The backhoe design features oversized polished pins with replaceable composite bearings and urethane lip seals in all working joints to reduce friction and extend service intervals. For safety, the unit has a boom lock that is engaged by the operator.

With a maximum lift capacity of 2,100 lbs. and a 3,400-lb. breakout force, the loader bucket meets many needs; a maximum loading height of 90 in. enables the 1/2-cu.yd. loader bucket to dump loads where other tractors could not reach.

Allmand Brothers/800-562-1373 For information, circle 204

#### SOLID STEEL BODY & FRAME

Snapper's SPLH171KW has a solid steel body and frame. It also features a 17-hp OHV Kawasaki engine and Accutrac onthe-go fingertip hydrostatic drive control with comfort-loop steering. The full-floating deck with easy height-of-cut adjustment is constructed with 7-gauge (3/16-in.) steel. Also included is the field-serviceable spindle assembly for ease of repair. The patented Ninja Mulching System can be added to the deck to leave lawns looking manicured without bags of grass clippings. Snapper/800-762-7737

For information, circle 059



#### REDUCE USER FATIGUE

Husqvarna's WHF5218ETS features the Easy Touch System (ETS) with pistol grip controls and a one-lock system (instead of two independent locks). The ETS reduces fatigue and provides the user with more leverage. The mower's Quick Lift deck allows height to be adjusted from the operator's position, eliminating the need to leave the controls. Floating decks use the Advanced Cutting Systems technology that follows the terrain evenly for a precise cut. The hydraulic system uses fully synthetic Mobil 1 15W-50. A 52-in. deck increases productivity, and a 5.3-gal. fuel tank provides up to 6 hours of mowing time. An 18-hp V-Twin Kawasaki engine with standard electric start powers the unit. Husqvarna Forest & Garden Co./800-HUSKY-62 For information, circle 056

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#### QUICK COUPLER SYSTEM

John Deere has introduced iMatch quick-attach hitch for all 4000 TEN series tractors. The system converts the three points of a 3-point hitch to fixed hooks and attaching points. You simply back up the tractor and slide on the PTO shafts. Older implements can still be attached to 4000 TEN series CUTS by just removing the iMatch mounting plate.

iMatch compatible implements include 550, 660, 680 tillers, all utility and MX-type rotary cutters, compatible flail mowers, and Frontier rear blades.

John Deere/800-537-8233 For information, circle 202



#### DIAMOND GROOMER

Bannerman Ltd. manufactures groomers that quickly will level and care for baseball diamonds, warning tracks, and walking trails. The B-DM-6 Diamond Master has five grooming tools: ripper blade, rake, leveler, roller, and finishing brush. Options include extension wing brush kit; hydraulic tractor top link; 50-gal. water tank with spray nozzle; and long tine "fluffing" rake. Bannerman/800-665-2696 For information, circle 197

#### **ONE-STEP GROOMER**

Field Master's infield groomer is a three-point hitch or drag machine that comes in 4- and 6-ft. widths and feature: combination scarifier/dethatcher bar; dual drag leveling bars; roller with built-in scrapper bar; built-in weight tray; and final sweep for textured finish.

The Fieldmaster unit is used by the Girls College World Series in Oklahoma City, the National Baseball Congress in Wichita, the College World Series in Omaha, and was used in the 1996 Olympics in Atlanta. Gary Hines, superintendent of the Lawrence (KS) Parks Dept has a groomer that has taken care of 21 fields for more than 7 years. "What I like best about it is, it works," says Hines.

Field Master/800-728-3581 For information, circle 199

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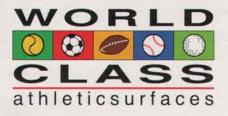


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The unit's universal frame connects to any conventional tractor's three-point linkage and also incorporates a carrying platform for line marking equipment, hand tools, etc. It can be used on infield clay areas as well as infield and outfield turf, even warning tracks.

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#### MULTI-PURPOSE MACHINE

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Remover eliminates the ridge around the infield grass, which helps prevent injuries.

The 50-gal. liner can line several football and soccer fields while you ride in comfort. This tank can be used for spraying chemicals or water to condition infields. A line cutter creates an inlaid line and paints at the same time.

Kromer Co./952-472-4167 For information, circle 201