

PRODUCT NEWS

A round-up of the latest tools, technologies and services from GMA Corporate Supporters

KEEP COMPACTION FREE WITH GKB

With the Deep Tine Aerator (DTA) from GKB Machines, the name speaks for itself. The DTA delivers intensive aeration in a range of working widths to suit all types of sports surface.

Precision engineered and built for durability, the DTA is available in four working widths from 1.2m to 2.6m, with larger models in the range offering impressive compaction relief down to depths of up to 400mm. The depth of the larger DTA 210 and 260 models is set easily via hydraulic height adjustment, while the heave angle of up to 25° is also quick and simple to change.

Fineturf, one of the country's leading and longest-established contractors, currently runs two GKB DTA 260s. "These machines give us great flexibility



The DTA delivers intensive aeration

to work year round on a variety of sports-turf surfaces" says managing director Simon Hutton. "With the large working width, they're ideal for annual work on racecourses, training grounds and end-of-season football renovations in the spring and summer."

gkbmachines.com

BARONESS FS900 COLLECTOR EXCELS IN TIME-CRITICAL PITCH RENOVATIONS

The Baroness FS900 core sweeper/collector is setting a new standard for quick and precise collection of cores, clippings and other debris from sports-turf surfaces. Its light and compact design provides unbeatable manoeuvrability, while its ability to cover over 5000sq m per hour makes it the highly efficient partner for time-critical pitch renovations.

The FS900 features a fully adjustable brush system and skirt to enable efficient collection

of dressings and cores of different sizes. Control of the brush height and a range of other parameters is easily accessible from the operating area, while adjustable down pressure on the rear roller leaves a smooth playing surface immediately after collection.

The cores are swept into a 420-litre hopper, which is emptied easily via a hydraulic high-dump system, with a rear support stand providing additional stability.

baronessuk.com



The Baroness FS900 makes light work of clearing debris from sports-turf surfaces

MYPITCH SAVES TESTING TIME

MyPitch is revolutionising the way grounds staff manage pitch data. It instantly generates reports, including tables and heat maps, from pitch area data, making it easier for grounds staff to share information with coaching staff and facilities managers.

For grounds managers who use ScorePlay or other pitch-testing systems, myPitch is the perfect partner, providing up-to-date data between official pitch tests by allowing quick and efficient capture and analyses of data.

The app operates on a simple subscription model, with a single, monthly or yearly fee, enabling users to generate unlimited reports whenever needed. It's cost effective and offers the most current surface data available. Currently, it's used in football and rugby union, but it's adaptable to other sports, including rugby league, NFL and more.

Head groundsman Majella Smith says he and his grounds staff at the Aviva Stadium in Dublin have witnessed success with myPitch. "We've been using the app for the past three months and it has been a great addition to our pitch-testing regime. It takes a couple of minutes to set up and inputting results is as easy as tapping into your phone. Once you've carried out your test, you receive heat maps in a matter of minutes. This is ideal when a quick pitch turnaround between rugby to football is required at a dual-sport stadium like ours." consultants@psdagronomy.com



MyPitch generates instant reports