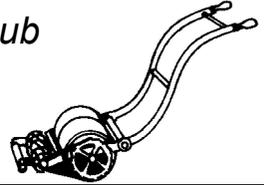


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A vintage advertisement for the Excelsior Lawn Mower. The central illustration shows a woman in a blue dress and red skirt pushing a red lawnmower on a lawn. In the background, a group of people are playing tennis on a tennis court, and a large house is visible. The text 'EXCELSIOR LAWN MOWER FOR HORSE OR HAND POWER' is written in a decorative, cursive font across the top of the illustration. At the bottom, it says 'MANUFACTURED BY CHADBORN & COLDWELL MFG. CO. NEWBURGH, N. Y.'

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EDITORIAL

Welcome to Grassbox 100. Hopefully this issue will reach you in good time before the Annual Rally, and I hope very much to see as many of you as possible there, it is always good to catch up with members and view the wide variety of machines on display and for sale. See you all there!

LAWNMOWER SOFT TOYS?

John Barnard writes:

Every year my children ask me what I want for Christmas and every time I tell them to find me an old lawnmower, without success. This last Christmas I



received this one - pictured with a 50p coin. At first I thought it was knitted but I have been told that it is, in fact, crocheted. I was very pleased.

Very impressive John, How many other members have encountered mowers in fabric form? We would love to see other examples! Ed.

MODERN ATCO CARBURETTORS

Murray McCulloch writes: I wondered if it's possible to find solutions to the carb problem I'm having with Mitsubishi engine Atcos? I have 6 of them and one by one all have succumbed to carb failure. I've not left petrol in them and have tried thoroughly cleaning both sonically and with carb cleaner but to no avail. The main jet is fixed and I would like to know if there is a way of cleaning the jets and carb properly, as the engines are first class quality. The carbs in question are mikuni and they seem obsolete now but you can still get bits for older motorbike mikuni carbs! I look forward to your thoughts and possible help. Murray can be contacted at murray_mc40@hotmail.co.uk

Front cover: An Excelsior advert from the USA.

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POETRY CORNER

It's been a while since we had any verse in Grassbox, however, a friend of the Editor came up with this neat little poem which I thought I would share.

*If the mower had not been born
By now, would we have killed the lawn?
Or could we have revived the scythe
Becoming healthy lean and lithe?
Cluttering gardens parks and farms
With severed legs and severed arms?
Or would we have said, No more this farce
Of covering the globe with useless grass.*

AN EARLY ROTARY MOWER - THE MOTOR SICKLE or FOUR SEASONS SCRUB CUTTER

Chris Armour writes: This must be one of the cruder cheap rotary grass cutters produced after the last war, with 4 pivoted blades on an unguarded disc and no safety features! Mine is an 18" Type 6 with a 98 cc Villiers engine driving the cutter head only. A lever



works a fast and loose type of belt drive, with no height control system and pushed on two pram-type wheels. On the makers' plate is The Four Seasons Scrub Cutter, made by The Standard Insulator Co Ltd of Camberley, Surrey. According to the Club's Lawnmower Directory of 1998, it started as The Motor Sickle made by Vivian Loyd and Co of Camberley in 1950, with 18" and 21" dia. models, selling at £40 in 1951.



It seems that the inventive Capt. Vivian Loyd started the company in the 1940s and retired in 1950, sometime after which it became The Standard Insulator Co Ltd. I wonder how long the scrub cutter stayed in production and how successful it was? Perhaps it sold well as a poor-man's Allen Scythe for long grass, or was it just too dangerous - looking to use? Did the company then fold up or diversify into electrical or other activities? It would be interesting to hear more of the story of this industry!

Mine is for sale and would restore easily, see the advert on page 14.

GRASSBOX THROUGH THE AGES

By Keith Wootton

Our 100th edition represents a significant milestone for the club because Grassbox has been there right from the start. But given that it's a quarterly magazine and we have been going since 1990 you might wonder why we have taken 27 years to reach our first century. The simple truth is that things were a lot more "informal" back in those far off days than they are now, and we didn't begin to publish regularly until the mid-1990s.

Over the past 27 years we have featured contributions from a large number of club members, ranging from photographs and small snippets of information up to two, three and even four page articles. I wrote in that very first edition that Grassbox should be for all members and with everyone's help I think it has largely fulfilled this mission. Thanks to everyone who has contributed and helped in any way whatsoever.

The first edition was produced during the summer of 1990, and most of the work was done during the Italia '90 world cup, the one of Gazza's tears and England's oh-so-close failure in the semi-final. Those three or four weeks were quite a distraction but looking back at that first edition we can see some of the style that has remained ever since – the overall design is similar and there are pieces on club news, identifying machines, events, dating info and so on. I can't remember why I chose Grassbox as the name but I do know that I also considered Clippings.

That first edition was sent to fewer than 50 people and genuine copies are therefore quite rare. Around 20 to 30 of the recipients are still members of the club.

Back in those days, to produce Grassbox I used to write the text at home on my PC and then take the articles into work on a floppy disk where I could print them out in 75mm-wide columns on a laser printer (which copied better). These strips were then cut up and glued onto one of four A4 template pages. I then photocopied (also at work) two pages on each side of an A3 sheet which was then folded to produce the four page newsletter. At this time club funds were very limited and the small number we needed meant it wasn't possible to get it printed properly because the setup costs for each edition were too high.

In those first two editions the images were limited to line drawings. Photographs were included from GB03 when I was able to find a local company that could scan images into dots that would photocopy properly. Of course it was all black-and-white back then.

We carried on this way for a few years and the circulation continued to grow as we gained more new members. At some point, and I can't remember when precisely, probably when we needed well over 100 each time, we started getting it printed at a local company in Milton Keynes. This business, run by Stephen Casey-Green, eventually be-

came part of Murrays where Grassbox is still printed to this day (Stephen's still there too!).

Digital technology was beginning to come in more and more and we first tried to produce a computer-generated edition – complete with digital images with GB18 in 1996. It proved a bit of a disaster as the images didn't reproduce at all well but we soon learned what to do and it's been fine ever since. There was another leap forward with GB22 which was produced entirely digitally and printed using metal plates (previously Stephen had used less-expensive paper plate) on glossy paper. By this time we were producing 300 or more copies for each edition and the higher set-up costs were more than justified by the better quality. This was the format we retained until William took over as editor with GB62 in 2007 and we moved to the current A5 colour format from issue 73. I must say that the quality of Grassbox and the variety of the articles have moved on rather well since then.

The move to the A5 format was prompted mainly by the changes in the postal charges for larger letters but it also gives us a lot more flexibility when laying out the magazine with different articles. Today the production is almost entirely digital. I send William various pieces for inclusion – the adverts, notes about the website and rallies etc – by email and other members send their own contributions to him direct (of course he and Christopher are prolific contributors in their own right). He then produces an electronic PDF version which he emails to Stephen at Murrays. It's printed on a digital colour press (no

need for plates anymore) which folds and staples the pages automatically. Once ready it's delivered direct to Colin Stone for distribution. In the meantime, I will have printed off the labels using our online membership database and arranged for envelopes and stamps to be delivered to Colin. He generally prepares all the envelopes before the GB arrives so that everything can be sent out really quickly. So no more cutting and pasting bits of paper, worrying about the image quality and all the other logistical bits and bobs that we used to have to do. Colin has settled into this job over the past few years but the occasional edition has been sent out by other members using largely the same process (Roger Wilkinson, Ian Tabernacle, Geoff and Margaret Christopher – I hope I haven't forgotten anyone). Having done this myself for the first 50 or 50 editions (I've stuffed envelopes at home, at my friend Martin's house, on the train, in the pub, in the pub with the committee and even at a rally one I think!) I know it's a rather laborious job.

Over the years we have considered making Grassbox completely digital with no printed copies. It would save a lot of money but Grassbox was the first tangible thing we produced as a club and I believe it's still the most significant for the majority of members. Many members, no longer a majority it's true, have no access to the web so they would miss out if we made this change and it would be a bit too complicated to make it an opt-in/opt-out part of membership. We have no plans to change this in the foreseeable future but of course all copies – even the very first editions – are available on our website.

THE RANSOMES SPRITE

By Jack Czislawski

The Ransomes Sprite belongs to a specific time in history when Ransomes was attempting to capture a new class of ownership – the post-WWII working class and their ownership of power lawnmowers, in an environment of rotary lawnmowers.

This was a 14" reel mower designed and built on a relatively new idea – the pressed steel chassis. That was not new though – with Ransomes having used it in its Minor MK6 of 1951. That design would influence a whole range of Ransomes' mod-



els in the coming decades.

What made the Sprite unique was, first, its use of steel pressings and welding to create a particular style of 'streamlined' lawnmower, perhaps reflecting the space-age and space-race of the times. The Ransomes Conquest hand mower with its distinctive streamlined body was clear-

ly following the same idea.

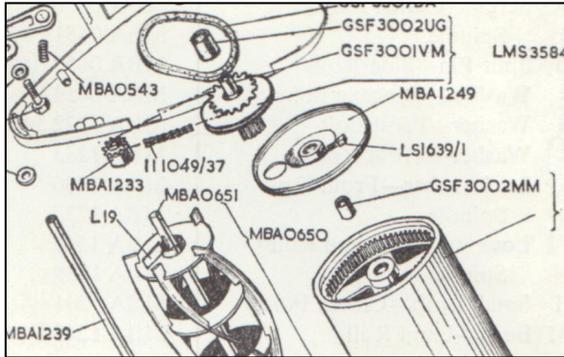
Second, it was the first Ransomes to use a very clever landroll reduction gearing that was incorporated in the landroll itself – rather than the more expensive transmissions via a number of chains and sprockets, or belts and pulleys.



This was an economy model, made with fewer parts, and it was lighter than the other 'lightweight' cylinder mowers that had been

previously made by this great manufacturer.

The Sprite was an economical design, offered originally in about 1960 as a JAP 2-stroke, in 1961 it became available with an electric motor, and also a specially designed BSA 4-stroke (later used on the Ransomes 14). The Sprite seems to have been discontinued in about 1965.



– but in reverse operation (to a push mower)!

Facing Page top: The original 2 stroke Sprite; Below: the later 4 stroke version.

This page top: The 2 stroke sprite from behind; Middle: The-unusual rear roller assemble as shown in the original parts list. Below: the Sprite from underneath.

It had a single clutch that controlled both reel and roller, via a belt and tensioner system – connected to a single, handle-mounted clutch lever. Transmission to the cylinder was via a short chain from a combination pulley, sprocket and pinion spindle. This compact system drove the roller like a sidewheel hand mower – a pinion and ring gear mounted in the roller that gave the reduction required for landroll speed



A SPANNER IN MEMORY OF ROBERT (BOBBY) HOUSTON.

by Clive Gravett

In November last year I made contact with a new member of the club Bobby Houston, living in Fife, Scotland who was reluctantly disposing of his much loved collection of mowers due to having a terminal illness. Bobby mentioned that he had visited our museum in Sussex and noted that we only had an image of the Budding/Ferrabee adjustable spanner, not the real thing! He then revealed to me that he had one in his

collection stamped *James Ferrabee Makers Stroud Gloucestershire* and he would like to donate the item to us.

With Christmas approaching I arranged a trip to visit Bobby and his wife Elsie early in the New Year. On Sat 11th Feb after a 530 mile journey I arrived to be met by Bobby and his wife. The weather was miserable but despite Bobby's deteriorating health, with a heavy overcoat over his pyjamas to keep the rain/sleet

at bay he opened various sheds for a tour of his collection, even finding time to demonstrate his cylinder grinder.

I spent a very pleasant day with them, meeting his daughter and grandchildren; also callers collecting the final items from the collection that had been advertising locally. I accepted the Ferrabee spanner which Bobby originally found in a box of rusty tools at an auction in 2012.

On returning home I visited Ron Geesin who published in 2016 after 30 years research, an excellent book on the history of 'The Adjustable Spanner' (ISBN 978-1-78500-035-5). Ron showed me a couple of Budding/John Ferrabee





spanners in his collection but he had not seen the slightly later James Ferrabee one, this would have been made between 1853 and 1863 when they ceased trading.

Ron kindly cleaned and professionally photographed the spanner whilst I pondered his collection of over 3000 many laid out in Snap-on tool cabinets reminding me of seeing butterflies and birds eggs displayed in a similar way.

I have also visited the curator of Stroud museum where another Budding / Ferrabee spanner is held, they had not come across the James Ferrabee version. As I left Stroud I passed the site of the Phoenix Iron Works where our spanner was no doubt made 160 years ago.

Sadly I learnt that Bobby passed away peacefully surrounded by his family on Sunday 19th February, only one week after our meeting. I have been in touch with Elsie and will forward images of our new exhibit when displayed in the museum, with an appropriate dedication to Bobby alongside.

Opposite: Bobby Houston.

This page: The James Ferrabee spanner and below detail showing the makers name.



MOWERS ON TEST

By William Proudfoot

In Grassbox 69 I wrote a piece comparing 3 old lawnmowers of the same date and type, The Ransomes Anglia, Greens Prince and Shanks Eagle. The article sparked a bit of interest and for a year or so afterwards I have requests for more of the same. Getting on for 8 or 9 years later, I have finally got round to another, although I'm afraid the subject matter is not very different from last time. This comparison is between the Ransomes Leo, the Greens Greenson and the Shanks Hawk. I have chosen the 10 inch size in this case, purely because our 12 inch Greenson is not in working order. As you can see from the image on this page, the Greenson is restored, while the Hawk and Leo are not repainted, but are in cutting order.

All three models were made throughout the 1930. At this time side wheelers from the big three came in three levels, with the Cub, Utility and 5 bladed Scot at the bottom end of the market with plain bearings, and the Ace, Tyke and 6 blade Scot with single row ball bearings in the middle. Both these groups were trying to compete with the cheaper Qualcast Model E, which initially had plain bearings, and later came with ball bearings. The Leo, Greenson and Hawk are another level up, having six blades and self aligning ball bearings. The Leo and Greenson have high wheels with over tyres, which means they actually have slightly fewer cuts per foot than the Hawk, but are slightly easier to push, and less likely to end up with debris from the lawn ending up in the gearing.

The Leo was introduced in 1930, and comes in three types during the decade, the Pre Mark, Mark 1 and Mark 2. The Pre Mark as its name suggests has no mark number on it, and has one visual difference, the lettering arrangement on the wheels, and one mechanical difference, the stub axles for the wheels are smaller than the Mk 1 version. Presumably they were prone to wearing quickly so the size was increased. The Mk 2 is the same as a Mk 1, but with an all welded cutting cylinder, and 7 blades rather than 6 of the earlier models.

The Greenson seems to have stayed entirely the same throughout production, though one tiny

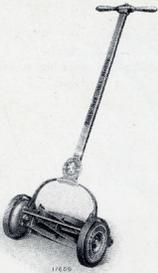


"LEO" BALL BEARING LAWN MOWER

Sizes :
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SPECIFICATION

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SELF-ALIGNING DUST-PROOF BALL BEARINGS to cutting cylinder spindle.

SEVEN HIGHEST QUALITY COMPOSITE KNIVES in the cutting cylinder. These knives have a hard steel face to give clean cutting, and are backed with wrought iron for strength.

LIPPED BOTTOM BLADE for long life.

SPRINGS fitted between handle and frames to put pressure on the wood roll. This helps to keep the machine down to its work, and makes it run very steadily.

CUTTING CYLINDER adjusted to bottom blade by a single screw at each end of cylinder.

Leo Mk 2 advert: 1938
Greenson advert: 1937

from 20 years earlier. Ransomes also used this on the Lion of an earlier era too, but with the Leo Ransomes went all out with bearings in nice cast iron housings that slide up and down with a spring underneath, thus giving single screw adjustment like that of the best quality hand mowers. This gives the Leo a more rigid feel as it has a sole plate fixed in place with 3 set screws.

The Greenson has a rocking sole plate too, but of a slightly more sophisticated design than the Hawk, as it pivots on a fixed shaft and was the same arrangement used on the SM Junior. The Greenson feels the most solid of the three, and having a three piece wooden roller is more easily manoeuvrable. Its wheelbase is far longer than the Leo, and it is the

superficial difference is that the badge on the handle acquired a small additional curved infill, probably to prevent the arms at the bottom snapping off. The Hawk also seems to have remained unchanged during its life.

The Hawk is a lighter weight machine, as it has an open frame and open wheels, giving it an almost American look. It somehow feels a lighter machine and easier to use, although adjusting the cutting cylinder can be tricky as it has the same rocking sole plate arrangement Shanks used on their cheaper Britisher design

heaviest as a result. It is more stable though and less likely to tip up. The optional grassbox and delivery plate doesn't even need a counterweight on the latter part to stop it tipping forwards.

By contrast the Leo is one of the shortest side wheel machines ever made and the back roller can be reluctant to stay on the ground even without a grassbox on the front. Ransomes over came this with springs between the handle and the lugs that the grassbox sits on, which makes the handle weigh nothing to pick up (a pleasant feel but a

GREEN'S "GREENSON" (Ball-Bearing) LAWN MOWER

This model is a High-grade Ball-bearing Side Wheel Mower for lawns, slopes, etc.

High Driving Wheels with overtire 9 in. diameter
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Adjustable for height of cut
Wood Ends to Grass Box to eliminate noise when mowing

Cash Prices	Machine	Grass Box and Delivery Plate
10 inch	£2 8 6	8/6 ordered with machine
12 inch	£2 11 6	8/6 " " " "
14 inch	£2 16 0	8/6 " " " "
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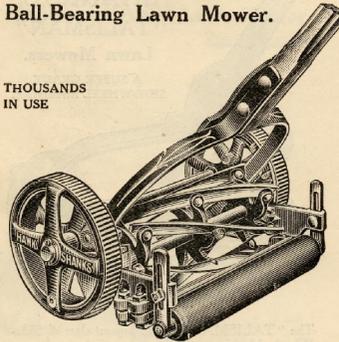
Front Runner for cutting to edges (the only type which Extra can be used with grass box), as illustrated 7/6
Long Handle for cutting banks in place of ordinary handle 5/-
Do. do. in addition 10/-
Grass Box and Delivery Plate, if ordered separately 10/-

solution to a problem that didn't exist!) and helps to pull the back of the mower downwards while it is being used.

All three can be adjusted to a good range of cutting heights, although on a rougher lawn I think the Green-son would make a better job, with its better stability and high wheels. A better finish on a smoother lawn is achieved with the Hawk, but the lack of high wheels and the more primitive adjustment

**SHANKS'S "HAWK"
Ball-Bearing Lawn Mower.**

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IN USE



The "HAWK" has had a splendid reception since its introduction, and worthily upholds the makers' reputation. The machine is strongly built in every part, but combines lightness with strength. The Driving Wheels are 8 inches in diameter; the Cutter has 6 blades riveted on malleable cast crosses, and is fitted with high-class British-made Ball Bearings. The machine is not too heavy for a lady, and users will find it efficient in every detail. For quality and excellence in cutting the "Hawk" is exceptional value at the following prices:

10-inch Cut, 47/6	} Grass Box and Delivery Plate, any size,
12-inch Cut, 50/-	
14-inch Cut, 54/6	} extra, cut; forward, if ordered separately.
16-inch Cut, 58/6	

If Special Long Handle for Slopes supplied in addition to ordinary one, 10/- extra. If supplied instead of the ordinary Handle, 5/- extra.

make it seem a more old fashioned machine. This is a shame as on a half decent lawn it is a pleasant a lightweight machine to use, and it does come with very large oiling pots on its bearings which make lubrication easier and therefore more likely to be done regularly.

For most purposes the Leo is probably the best, being easy to adjust and maintain, and light in weight by virtue of its goblin sized wheelbase. *Hawk advert: 1936*

CLUB SERVICES AND INFORMATION

ANNUAL RALLY

This year's annual rally at Milton Keynes on Saturday 20 and Sunday 21 May. The annual rally has always been the club's biggest and best event of the year and we want as many members as possible to come along to be part of our largest annual event. The museum address is Milton Keynes Museum, McConnell Drive, Wolverton, Milton Keynes, MK12 5EL.

Like all our events it's very informal. We encourage all members to bring at least one machine from their collection to exhibit, hopefully more. It's surprising how much you can get in the boot of a car when you try! All mowers are welcome, large and small, hand and motorised. Bring family and friends too - even if they are not interested in mowers, there's lots to see at the museum.

This year's themes are "Animals" mowers (think Ransomes Lion or Antelope but hopefully some unusual makers and names will also show up) and "Milton Keynes at 50" (we're not sure how this one will work but we're hoping that members will get creative with a connection to MK or 1967).

The timetable will follow the usual format which means the auction will take place late morning, no sooner than 11am, on the Sunday. If you haven't already entered a lot there's still time but **you must let us know before the event** if you want to sell anything. We will not accept lots on the day because it adds to the committee's workload when there isn't much spare time.

The AGM will be held after lunch on the Sunday, starting no sooner than 2pm. Awards and presentations will be made at the end of the meeting. We'll also

present each member in attendance with a souvenir of the weekend (you also get the souvenir if you only come on Saturday but you need to ask a committee member for one).

The usual competitions of “best working machine” and “spot the part” will take place and of course we’ll be holding the annual contest for the Andrew Grout Plate. Competition for all of these is likely to be as fierce as ever. The club shop will be open on the Sunday only with a complete range of souvenirs, clothing and transfers available. A full list is available on the website.

Finally, a bit of housekeeping. The Museum is currently undergoing a major redevelopment and this means that some of the areas we normally use will be out of bounds. There are also a lot of exhibits as well as construction equipment and building materials in various locations around the site. Please be careful when driving on and off site and when walking around.

If you’re planning to arrive on the Friday please do not come before 3pm because there won’t be anyone from the club to welcome you before then. After that, feel free to come at any time. The gates to the site are closed when it gets dark but are open again from around 7.30am on the Saturday and Sunday mornings.

Once on site turn left through the gate inside the museum’s main entrance and proceed slowly into the field but please keep an eye out for people who may be walking around the grounds. We plan to ask all club members to sign a book when they arrive so that we know who’s

been. All vehicles and trailers must be parked in the designated area as marked by signs or indicated by a committee member. This is for safety and to allow other members to drop off and collect their exhibits without hindrance.

Camping is permitted on Friday and Saturday evenings. The toilets and washrooms will be open until late at night and from early morning on each day. The museum tea room will be serving breakfast on Saturday and Sunday morning and light refreshments throughout each day. On the Friday and Saturday evenings we generally send out for a take-away.

WEBSITE

We’ve revamped the section dedicated to the Directory of Mower Manufacturers and Models. This now presents each entry in a clearer format which we hope will be easier to read. The navigation has also been altered to make it easier to find individual entries. Each page also now includes links to allow readers to submit additions and corrections. We are particularly keen to build this important database with additional entries (including images) so please let us know if you have evidence of manufacturers or machines that are not currently included.

NEW SHOPKEEPER

Following our appeal in the last Grass-box we have appointed a new shopkeeper to take over from Richard Jones. Gerry Norris from Reading is the new contact. All club items for sale can be found on the website at www.oldlawnmowerclub.co.uk/members/souvenirs and www.oldlawnmowerclub.co.uk/members/transfers-decals (both in the Mem-

bers-Only section). Ideally, members should contact Gerry by email on norrigerry@gmail.com to check stock availability and postage costs etc.

SPARES

The Garfitt's spares service will continue to be run by Richard Jones. He can be contacted on 01243 575937 or by email at lawnmower.jones@hotmail.co.uk to order bottom blades, cutting cylinders and fixing screws from Garfitt's of Sheffield. Items ordered through Richard are subject to special terms and you only need to pay the club after the order is received. Richard will also be able to offer general advice on removal and replacement of the blades.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

We'll be sending out annual renewal reminders soon after the AGM. The committee will be recommending that the subscription remains the same (£12 for UK, £15 for overseas) for the coming year. Your reminder will be issued by email unless we don't have a current address, in which case we will send it by post. You will only receive a remind-

er if your membership runs "Until 2017" (check the label on your Grassbox envelope). Members who have joined recently will not need to renew this year. We'll be using the fast-track renewal at the annual rally. For this you'll need to place a cheque (payable to "The Old Lawnmower Club") or cash in an envelope with your name on and leave it with us after the AGM. If paying by cash you'll need to have the correct payment as we won't be able to give change.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

It has been 4 or 5 years since the club has last produced a membership directory in paper form, and the committee felt it was time we produced another one. This should be included with this edition of Grassbox, and we hope members still find the members directory a useful benefit of club membership.

CLUB INSURANCE

Please let Keith know if you would like the free third party insurance this year. This is the insurance that is required for attendance at most events and rallies. You don't need the insurance if you don't go to events.

ADVERTISEMENTS

FOR SALE

Good JAP Model 5 engine, 4 stroke, with excellent spark, complete, off 1950's Ransomes Mastiff Mk 1; Also the superb huge Ransomes forward / reverse gearbox off the same mower; Both items about 50 kilos each and £40 each. Rest of the quarter-ton mower free to a collector; Ransomes 14" Gear Automaton cast iron handles and nameplate blasted and primed, £25 the set; Four Seasons Scrub Cutter, Type 6 18" lethal open rotary blade! 1950's, with Villiers 98cc 2 stroke eng.(turns). Pram-type wheels.

£30. C: Chris Armour. T: 01473 - 822000 (South Suffolk)

Power Products, 1948, c/w engine C: Joshua Roberts T: 001 951 479 2262 E:

jmarservicesinc@gmail.com (Hemet)#

18" Ransomes Marquis MK4A F12 sloper, 1968/1970, c/w BSA F12 Sloper engine, c/w box, £450 C: John Trigg T: 07721 939405 E: jctrigg97@gmail.com (Grantham)#

14" Atco, c1950s, c/w Villiers engine, c/w box, FTGH C: Roy Coleman T: 07535 560136 E: ukroyc@gmail.com (Brigg)#

12" Ransomes Ajax Mark 3, pre-1955 c/w box, FTGH C: Andrew Needham T: 07930

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