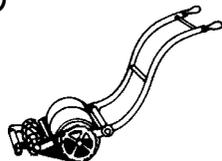


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EDITORIAL

Welcome to Grassbox 104. A full and varied edition this time, I hope you all enjoy reading it. I would love to have material for the next edition; it should be with me by 14th September.

2018 RALLY DATES

The club will be present at these events:

Bedfordshire Steam Fayre

Fri 14 Sep to Sun 16 Sep

Malvern Autumn Show

Sat 29 Sep to Sun 30 Sep

MARRIED, AT LAST!

Keith Wootton, our Club President 'took the plunge' on 28th April when his girlfriend/fiancée Grazia and he married at Northampton Guildhall, some 23 years after they first met when working in London.

It's not only been a long duration courtship, but a long distance one too, because recently - and indeed for much of that time - Grazia (Italian by birth) has been resident in Paris & Keith in Northamptonshire. I'm sure that we all wish them a happy marriage that lasts for even longer.

The moment captured in the first picture of them with the Registrar caused some chuckles because when making his marriage vows Keith momentarily forgot all of Grazia's rather long string of names, including a double barrelled



surname!

The 'vintage style' VW was very appropriate for their drive to the reception in a splendidly decorated marquee in Keith's garden. The weather was dry, but a little chilly, the food excellent and the champagne very more-ish.

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ANNUAL RALLY AND AGM REPORT

By Keith Wootton



Another year, another successful rally. The weather was much warmer and sunnier than normal and really contributed to the enjoyment of the event. In all, around 80 or so members visited the museum at some point over the weekend from all points north, south, east and west.

As always, the Saturday was more relaxed, allowing members time to discuss new acquisitions and recent restorations. There was an excellent selection of machines on display, including a number fitting in with this year's themes of "green" and "bowling green" machines. There were even more on the Sunday which always has a bigger turnout of members.

Attention was inevitably drawn to a large Shanks Horse Mower making a first appearance at a rally since its recent restoration by Alec Hillyar. On the Sunday, we obtained permission from the museum to display the mower with one of the fibre-glass horses that usually resides in the Hall of Transport and this really made the mower look even better.

The Sunday was more hectic and it was soon time for the auction. We had probably the biggest number of lots ever this year. That means there was something for more or less every pocket, with winning bids ranging from 50p for the odd grass box up to £160 for a late 1930s 16" Greens motor mower. We were able to donate the total commissions of well over £100 to the museum.

After a break for lunch it was on to the AGM, the formal part of the weekend. This year we held the meeting in the museum's newest building, which completed earlier this year. When it opens next year it will incorporate a new entrance, shop, meeting space and exhibition areas.

As it happens there was not much to report as the club has been running along quite smoothly for the last year. Nevertheless, Chairman Robbie Robinson, Secretary Alec Hillyar and Treasurer Disk Hardwick all made brief statements. The club made a small deficit of £275 on total income of £6675. That means that with a balance just exceeding one year's income there was

no need for a rise in subscriptions for the coming year.

During my own address, I explained about the revised constitution and new data policy (see other brief article in this GB). I also presented Brenda Stanford with a plant to thank her for continuing to register and process new members. I also presented this year's Charlie Jones Award to Steve Smith who has been coming to the annual rally since the early 1990s despite having one of the longest journeys to get there. I also suggested that we would like as many members as possible to attend the annual rally in 2019 (the 30th event), 2020 (club 30th anniversary) and 2021 (Atco centenary).

The meeting ended with members collecting their 2018 souvenir of a vacuum flask. If any member was at the event (on either day) and did not receive one let a committee member know and we'll happily send you one.

It was then back out into the field to continue with the festivities. Bill Outram's competition for the best working

machine on show on the Sunday has been growing in popularity in recent years. There was a period on the Sunday afternoon when quite a few mowers including Atco, Shanks, Webb, Ransomes and other models were trundling around. This year's very worthy winner was William Baker from Peterborough who was running a nicely preserved Atco "Standard" Motor Mower. Despite the number of these machines around it is still quite unusual to see one in such unspoilt condition actually working (see *left*).

The winner of the Andrew Grout Plate was that Shanks Horse Mower (*above opposite and front cover*), certainly the star of this year's event. Having seen the machine before Alec's restoration, I know how much hard work has gone into this and the effort was well worthwhile.

Thanks to everyone who came to this year's event. It was great to see you and the committee and I hope you – and many more – will be able to make it again next year.



Dick Hardwick writes:

You can see a large selection of images from the event on the club's website.

Once again at the Annual Rally Richard Jones ran the "name these parts" competition – a simple, fun, test of knowledge of mower bits and pieces, won this year by Graham Loftus. It has always seemed to me to be a pity that only those present have been able to test their skills, so as in previous years here is a numbered photo of the parts together with the competition for ALL readers to "have a go". It's harder than doing it at the rally, on the day, but why not try it? You have a 50% chance of getting each answer correct!



You simply have to select from the options below what each numbered item is in the picture; correct answers are given on page 11 of this issue of Grassbox.



1. Shanks Pony mower gear cover.
Shanks motor mower gear cover.
2. Suffolk cast iron engine cowling.
BSA 119cc engine cowling.
3. Follows and Bates side frame.
Greens Silens Messor side frame.
4. ATCO Standard fuel tank.
Ransomes Minor fuel tank.
5. Ransomes Lion wooden T handle.
Qualcast Model E wooden handle.

THE MONTA-MOWER

By L. J. Parker

The Monta-Mower was an attempt to cut grass a different way. Where a reel mower and a sicklebar mower have a fixed plate and a shear moving across it, this mower has counter revolving shear teeth. There is a bar of revolving top and bottom cutters being moved by a starred drive wheel assembly. Cutters fitted to the top revolve one way and cutters on the bottom revolve the reverse. Everything is interlinked so that power is spread across the unit. My older one was found hanging on the wall of an antique featured restaurant, in one solid block of rust. I bought it as a challenge. Being interlinked, if one spot was stuck, all was stuck.

The Monta-Mower came out in 1918 but there is evidence that some had been produced before that. It featured sets of

low lying double cutter discs with the intent of moving through the grass and weeds and snipping them off. The star wheel drivers were very thin so as to go through the lawn without laying any blades down as all the other mowers did. Without outboard wheels, the Monta-Mower would cut right to the side. As each cutter set rotated, they would gather the blades in front of each cutter and move them into the cutter mesh. There is a whole lot of mechanical activity going on so the machine needs a good grade of oil liberally applied for each use. These units were never sold in stores but were instead, sold through magazine direct sales. There were numbers of pictures featuring children and ladies pushing the mower with seemingly ease. In reality, they are fairly hard to operate. I would imagine that after you had bought one and had it

delivered, you were not in the mind to return it. The drawings showed many pictures with the mower drawn too big and as many more with it drawn too small. I guess artists pre-ogative.

Left to right: 1918 model; early 1940 model; Later and last 1940s model.



The mower first came out with a standard push mower wooden handle. At some point in early 1940, they introduced the first version of wire handle. This made the mower lighter but the cross over in the handle made it too unsteady. Shortly after, they introduced the non-cross over handle to alleviate that problem. Also, they introduced the rubber bicycle grips to help ease the hands.

In use, I found that the lawn needed to be well established for the star wheels to work. Also, the lawn needed to be mowed very regularly so that weeds did not get too woody. The later mowers had more robust cutters than the earlier ones. These would form a crescent to keep the blades grouped all the way to the cutters. They did help the process. Sometime after World War Two, the company stopped advertising and quietly folded but they had been in business for more than twenty five years.

Above: The star wheel driver rod on the earlier machine. Each star wheel drives



an upper and lower pair of cutters. In reality, the star engages with cavities on the lower cutter which engages the upper cutter. The shaft has bearing supports in several places.

Below: The more vicious cutters on the newer machines. The older ones had heavy metal stamped cutters while the newer ones appear to be cast. The top picture is the original cutter underside view. The star wheels engage the

bottom cutter into the stamped cavity at right angles. Each bottom cutter is engaged in the same way, the star wheels secured to the rod from end to end.

On the newer unit (below, left and right), there is actually a gear lobe cast into the lower cutter for the star engagement and there is a cavity on the top side of the bottom cutter to engage the upper cutter. You will also see a nut on the top cutter screw that allows adjusting the mesh for each pair. The earlier stamped cutters needed replacement when worn to a point where they would not cut properly..



1961 AUTO-CERTES RESTORATION

By Martin Maunder

I got most of this Ransomes Auto Certes 1960's Mk 3 mower from Hall Grove School in Surrey about 18 years ago. They wanted £50 for it but it wouldn't start so the groundsman gave it to me for free. I got a local mower service repair shop to get it going for me because I'm pretty useless when it comes to mechanics.

It ran well after the service for many years but I put it to bed for about 4 years after moving house. Having moved yet again to a house with a decent lawn I took it to get serviced by Richard Jones based near Chichester, who thought it was in good condition for its age but it needed a new grass box. I looked into getting a brand new one but no dealers had any from this period and I was told they would be horrendously expensive anyway. I scanned eBay for quite a

while and found a mower roughly the same age in Ipswich that had a grass-box with no rust on it. The owner was a nice old chap and apparently a retired Ransomes design engineer who worked on the model as a younger man, but was now in his 90's and he had the mower from new. I bought this from him and now had two mowers. I then came up with the insanely expensive idea of making a restoration project out of both mowers, taking the best bits from both. I gave both mowers to Richard Jones and he pretty much took the engine from the Ipswich mower and the rest was mostly the Surrey mower.

I asked him to give me anything that needed painting and I would sort it out. Ransomes for whatever reason didn't want to give me the paint code for that 1960s green and didn't have any paint



available to buy and the other usual sources only had later shades which were nothing like the early 1960s paint, so I looked underneath the petrol tank where the original paint was in excellent condition and had not been subject to fading by the sunlight which gave me a very good idea of what the original colour was.

Now began the task of trying to match the paint. It took forever but I finally came across a very accurate match in SELEMIX 2K

ACRYLIC 30-0430 GREEN 7110 which is an agricultural paint (for future reference if anyone is interested). I took all the parts to a sand blasters in Rudgwick who removed all the old paint down to bare metal and coated them in an anti-rust lacquer and then I took them to a body shop for priming and painting.

Every part was sand blasted and re-painted: the blades which had lots of life left on them, the handles, grass box, chassis, petrol tank, engine cowling, fly wheel and lots of much smaller parts

too. Richard was scared stiff when I brought the painted parts back because he now had the near impossible task of putting it all together without scratching anything! In the end though he did a first-class job and the mower in all honesty probably looks better than it did when it was brand new because of the quality of the respray.

But it's interesting to see what one of these old mowers would have looked like back in the day. So, do I use it? Now there's the problem!

It cost me so much money to restore it I can't can I? Try explaining that to the wife...

So to my shame I use very a boring but practical Honda for every-day use which does the job, but every now and then on a really hot day in the summer when the grass is looking good, I venture in to the garage and fire up the Villiers Sloper F12 for that neat finish only a cylinder mower can get with a reassuring sound once so common in an English Garden and now sadly lost.



THOMAS GREENS MYSTERY SOLVED

By Clive Gravett



For some time I have pondered over the image (above) on page 50 of John Pease's excellent book published in 2014 on The History of Thomas Green & Son Ltd, the image is taken from a larger photograph of the Leeds showroom window display of 1937, it shows a mower labelled by Greens as being made in 1832 and one of the worlds

original mowers. John notes that it is more likely a Thomas Greens mower from 1856 as detailed in their first lawn mower patent of that year, and it certainly has similarities.

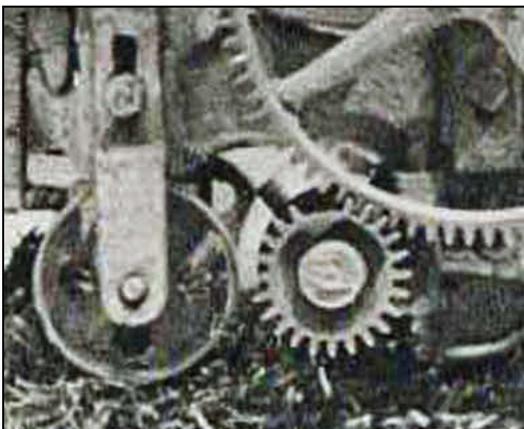
I however was of the opinion that it could well be a mower manufactured by James Ferrabee in the period 1858-



1863 when James Ferrabee was advertising their improved smaller 12in machine. Being familiar with the Ferrabee owned by Keith Wootton (Club President) I felt sure the mower in the image was a Ferrabee, I also noted that Keith's also had the left wooden had grip missing, but surely just a coincidence.

Following discussions with John Pease, he has kindly passed the 'Reekie Collection' of Thomas Green photographs to us for retention in our museum archives. Amongst the photos is one

of Greens London showroom window (*bottom left*), also 1937, again including the early mower as a focal point, this time labelled as an '1842 Greens old style mower'! Bearing in mind the earliest record of Greens selling mowers is 1850 this would not appear to be correct. It is fortuitous that the London showroom image depicts the left side of the mower where the gears can clearly be seen, whilst comparing this with an image of Keith's mower they both have two teeth missing on the small sprocket, Eureka! This is Keith's actual mower!



Questions remain, did Thomas Green & Son own the Ferrabee and had it been in their possession since the 1850's? more likely I think it was probably on loan to them for the displays in 1937, but where was it up until Keith bought it at auction in 2004? Also what happened to the wooden grass box shown in both photographs?

My thanks to John Pease and Keith Wootton for their collaboration with my research, we hope to have the Ferrabee on

loan for display in our museum later this year together with the full background to this interesting story, please contact me if you require any further information. www.museumofgardening.co.uk clive@museumofgardening.co.uk

PARTS COMPETITION ANSWERS

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- 2: BSA 119cc engine cowling.
- 3: Greens Silens Messor side frame.
- 4: ATCO Standard fuel tank.
- 5: Qualcast Model E handle.

MORE ON SUNBEAM

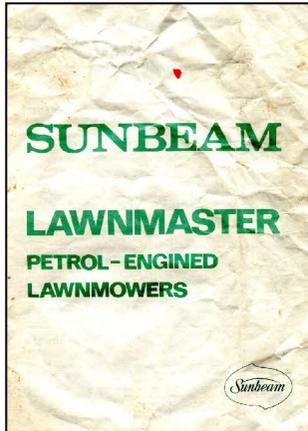
By Christopher Proudfoot

I was interested in Henry Ellis's piece on the JP Simplees, and the means by which the instruction book was modified to hide the name 'Sunbeam'.

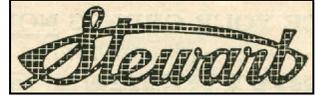
As I understand it, you cannot register a dictionary word as a trade mark, although you can register a particular way of printing it, perhaps accompanied by a motif of some sort. However, it seems that the law does offer some protection to manufacturers of a particular product when another manufacturer of the same or a similar product tries to use the same name.

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name appeared on the base. Cooper-Stewart even printed 'Stewart' as a clone of the Sunbeam logo. (Below and left)



Not only that; there was a Sunbeam mower. I know this because I have an instruction book for it (left). It is undated (but looks 1960s), and unillus-

trated, so that all I can say about the mower is that it was a rotary, with an internal combustion engine. It seems to have made little impact on the market, so perhaps JP were unaware of it when they called their new mower a Sunbeam. But there could be another explanation for the Sunbeam mower. Sunbeam may have objected to JP's use of the Sunbeam name (a solicitor's letter would have been enough, rather than a court case), but may have been advised by their lawyers to issue a mower of their own, to establish beyond all doubt their exclusive right to the Sunbeam name on a mower. It would have been a simple matter for this American company to import a few mowers from the US (probably with B & S engines) and badge them as Sunbeams, just for long enough to establish legitimacy for their own Sunbeam lawn mower. I have no evidence for this, but such arrangements do happen.

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CLUB SERVICES AND INFORMATION

TREASURER'S REPORT ACCOUNTS FOR 2017-18

As usual, remember these are a financial 'snapshot' at the end of our accounting year, so income and expenditure in the year might include that for items/services outside this time frame. The important thing for the Club is that what we pay out is (more than) covered by what money comes in, not in which particular year that happens. Income over expenditure was down this year with an overspend in the year of £275, compared with an excess of £1388 last year and £443 at the end of the previous financial year. It doesn't take much to give a small variation like this between years.

Club income from subscriptions at £4901 is lower too but not significantly and typically varies about £500 year on year.

Shop sales (£318) were about one third of the previous year's (£1118), partly because we didn't have the shop at the Rally in this accounting year, when items are often bought on impulse. Also, fewer purchases, particularly of clothing & 'regalia' could be a sign of 'market saturation' - how often do Club jumpers, caps & overalls wear out and need replacing?

The auction was a massive success, mainly because Charley Crouchman sold off his collection of about 40 machines. Sadly it proved to be the right moment to do so, because he developed Alzheimer's very rapidly last Autumn and now lives in a home, where he is well cared for and says he "feels safe".

The end result is that although we overspent a little this year things are finan-

cially 'comfortable' as we keep the balance carried forward into a new accounting year at a little more than our annual turnover. That remains a nice position for any Treasurer.

Dick Hardwick,
Honorary Treasurer.

CLUB SHOP

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

SPARES

The Garfitt's spares service continues 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 this year subscription reminder during late June and early July which means they will probably have arrived before you receive this Grassbox.

The postal labels we use to send Grassbox won't have been updated even if you have rejoined in the past

week or two, so please don't contact us to query your "Until" date. Don't forget, you'll only receive a reminder if the label on your Grassbox envelope says 2018 on it.

WEBSITE PASSWORD

The password to access the website will change shortly after this edition of Grassbox is issued. The new password will be Webb99! But you will only need to use this if you log on with the generic olcmember username. We will post a message on the front page of the website when this changes. If you have your own username and password, nothing will change.

NEW DATA POLICY

As explained in the last Grassbox, we have updated our Data Policy to reflect changes in the law that came into effect in May. The new document explains what information we keep about our members (and website users), what we use it for and where we keep it. You can read a copy on the website (no log in required) but (as with the constitution) if you don't have web access and would like to see a copy, simply contact a principal officer and we will send you one in the post.

UPDATED CONSTITUTION

We have recently updated the club's constitution to reflect some changes we have made in recent years to the way

the club is run and organised. This is the first major revision since we introduced a subscription (when we decided we needed a constitution) although the AGM and committee have made a number of decisions since then that affect the running of the club. These have now been integrated into the constitution and the new version was adopted by the committee at its meeting in April. You can read a copy in the Members Only section of the website (you'll need to log on to do this). If you don't have web access you can ask for a copy by writing to one of the club's principal officers (ie those listed in Grassbox every edition) and we'll post one to you.

THIRD PARTY INSURANCE

If you're expecting to attend events with your mowers this year and would like to have the club's third party public liability insurance, please send an email or write to Keith at the usual address. This insurance covers you from liability if third parties (ie other people) are injured by your machines. Most events will only accept entries from people who have this insurance. You don't need it if you're not going to any events. Also, because the insurance lasts for the whole of the current calendar year and you must be a current member of the club at the same time, it is only valid after July if you have rejoined the club.

ADVERTISEMENTS

FOR SALE

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12" Qualcast Powered Panther, c1954, c/w JAP 2S engine, c/w box, FTGH C: Jonathan Sim-

cock T: 0161 969 0278 E: jonathansimcock@yahoo.co.uk (Manchester)#

12" Suffolk Colt, late 50s, c/w Suffolk engine, c/w box, £50 C: David Collins T: 01793 826957 E: davejcollins@live.com (Swindon)#

- 17" Suffolk Super Punch Professional, 1950s, c/w box C: Chris Weait T: 07825 992482 E: chris.weait@gmail.com (Formby)#
- 14" Atco B23 4 stroke (original condition, still in use plus 24 page parts booklet), 1967, c/w Atco engine, c/w box C: Roger Barnes T: 01865 872603 E: patandroger@live.com (Oxford)#
- Atco C: Greg T: 07930 850531 E: bruvvamoff@yahoo.co.uk (Uxbridge)#
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- 12" Ransomes MK3, c/w box, donation to Club/Museum C: I J Farmer T: 0208 5020587 E: ifrm@aol.com (Loughton or Grantham)#
- 20" Atco Royale B20 RUF31T with ride on attachment, c/w Tecumseh engine, c/w box, £50 C: Simon Latham T: 01747 830355 E: smwl@outlook.com (Shaftesbury)#
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- 13" Suffolk 14A, c/w 75G14 engine, c/w box C: Nick Vile T: 07976 818440 E: nickvile@hotmail.com (Halifax)#
- 18" Ransomes Auto Certes Mk 1 (Reg No. A0520), c/w box; 15" Ransomes Mk 5 Bowling Green Mower Offers C: Antony Strudwick (for Chesham Bowling Club) T: 07766 524656 E: strudam4651@gmail.com (Amersham)#
- 14" Atco BE1464, 1964, c/w G.E.C. Ref 809FBE 2287 engine, c/w box, £15 C: Alan McNab T: 07771 575999 E: alanmcnab@btconnect.com (Kingston-upon-Thames)#
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- JP Maxeas C: Doug Leverton E: dougndi@hotmail.com (Stoke-on-Trent)#
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- 14" Atco kick start, no 1452, c/w box, new coil and kick start spring, £85ono C: Jason T: 01242 236485 E: jason@jigoss.plus.com (Cheltenham)#
- 12" Suffolk Super Colt, 1972, c/w box, £22ono C: Paul Stapleton T: 0208 393 5037 E: pgstapleton@hotmail.co.uk (Epsom)#
- 12" Qualcast, c/w JAP engine, FTGH C: Ken Broom T: 01884 34115 E: kenbroom@hotmail.co.uk (Exeter or Taunton)#
- 14" Suffolk Punch 1A, 1950s, c/w SIF engine, c/w box, £85 C: Rob Murray T: E: rwmconsultingltd@yahoo.co.uk (Chesham)#
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WANTED

- Ransomes MK5, 16" Sturmeys Archer 198cc engine. Side plates and through tie-rods required, as very evident mower has been dropped. Maybe the remnants of a stripped machine? Engine to magneto casting & cylinder head; Ransomes MK5 or MK6 20" grass-box, any condition. C: Darryl Shrimpton. T: 01444-246786. M: 07595-602016
- Pre 1940 lawn mowers. Anything considered, except Atco, including individual machines and whole collections. Write to Michael Duck, 1 Belmont Terrace, Shepton Beauchamp, Somerset TA19 0JX.

Adverts can be submitted by filling in a form on the Club website, this is by far the easiest method as it helps to ensure that all the necessary information is provided. Adverts are also welcome by post or phone and are free of charge. Non members are denoted by a '#'

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