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EDITORIAL

Welcome to the Summer issue of Grassbox. As you are all aware this one tends to feature a fair bit relating to the clubs main event of the year, tha annual rally, but I'm afraid that this year's JP theme has rather taken over. I'm sorry about this, but I'm sure you are all highly relieved that I've not written anything at all about Silens Messors this time! Never the less I hope you find the thoughts on JP's well known and lesser known models of interest.

I am still on the lookout for different members to contribute something, as so often the contributions to this edition have come from the same few regular or semi regular contributors. Please please share your thoughts with the rest of the membership!

Front Cover: It wasn't all JPs and Dennises at the Rally, And it seemed fitting to feature Jonathan and Stan Hardwick being presented with the Andrew Grout plate. The mower is a Barnards Limited machine, which features the company's patent silent ratchet arrangement in the rear roller. Jonathan had some photos with him showing the very strange free wheel arrangement.

OBITUARIES

It is with great sadness that I have to report the deaths of two club members.

Geoffrey Brooks was one of our founding members and holds the unique distinction of being our very first honorary life member. When I formed the club back in 1990 there was no annual subscription. Geoffrey made a significant donation to help pay for some of the running costs and when we introduced the subscription a few years later I thought it appropriate that we should not ask him to pay any more. At the time he was still running his mower repair business in Kent but he retired from this many years ago. Many members of the club have had contact with Geoff because of his outstanding knowledge of Dennis mowers.

Michael Hardy was also one of our earliest members and had been collecting mowers and many other bygones for years before we formed the club. Because of this, and his links to Reading University, he was well known to many of our members. Michael was a regular visitor to our Annual Rally and was present at last year's event.

Keith Wootton

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ANNUAL RALLY REPORT 2016

By Keith Wootton

Our 27th annual rally was held at Milton Keynes Museum on the weekend of 20/21 May. The weather wasn't particularly good on the Saturday with periods of light rain. This may have dissuaded a few of the regulars from coming along. But for those who were there it didn't seem to dampen spirits too much. It seemed to me that by encouraging members to shelter in the various museum buildings, and particularly the ever-popular tea room, created a better environment for meeting other collectors - who might otherwise have been missed - and for having some longer discussions.

The Saturday has traditionally been more relaxed than the Sunday because there is very little scheduled during the day. The evening, however, has always been an opportunity for all members present to get together for some food and a drink or two. This year around 20 members were present during the evening, most of them gamely taking part in the quiz that Robbie had arranged.

Sunday always gets off to a flying start with members arriving as soon as – sometimes before – the museum's gates are open. This year we had promoted two themes – JP and Dennis – and many members made an effort to bring something relevant. There was an especially good selection of JP machines, mainly hand mowers, representing all of the common as well as not so common models from the 1920s to the 1960s. Henry Ellis was in his element taking numbers for his dating system and discussing models with members.

There were – inevitably because of their size – fewer Dennis mowers. However, all but one of the machines present was working and the owners all managed to have a good run about the museum's field during the day. Thanks to Roger

Wilkinson, Bill Outram and Alec Hillyar for their efforts.

Jim Ricci was visiting from the USA and was discussing his new book with members, many of whom bought a copy over the weekend.

The first scheduled event on the Sunday was the auction. This year we had around 30 lots, ranging from Victorian hand mowers to 1960s/70s motor mowers and ephemera. I think it's fair to say that the quality and variety of lots was a bit better than the last couple of years and this was certainly reflected in the bidding. Most lots reached prices that many members agreed were fair and about right. The highest amount paid was £370 for a 6" Greens Multum in Parvo. Thanks to Christopher Proudfoot for once again being the gavel master and to various members of the committee for assisting before, during and after the formalities. The total amount paid was over £1000 which allowed us to donate the commission (5% buyers, 5% sellers) of more than £100 to the museum.

The AGM was held shortly after lunch and was attended by around 60 members. All of the principal officers and the committee, with one exception, were re-elected for a further year. The exception was Joe Roulstone who has decided his other commitments must come first. We all thank him for his help over the past few years.

Club chairman Robbie Robinson gave a brief report on the state of the club and thanked all members for attending and the committee for their help and support this year. Robbie also announced that this year's souvenir was a pocket screwdriver which every member present was given. Alec Hillyar reported that the committee had met twice, as scheduled, during the year and that other formalities were in order. Dick Hardwick presented his treasurer's report (see elsewhere) that showed a small surplus for the year. For this reason, we are able to retain the same subscription for yet another year.

Richard Jones presented his shop report which showed that we have sold a large number of transfers and clothing. Richard announced that due to work and family commitments he needs to stand down from the committee but will carry on until a suitable replacement is in place (we hope this will be soon, of course).

President Keith Wootton made a number of announcements. He ex-

The four Dennis mowers are displayed with the newly arrived concrete cows.

A bit of action filming for Clive Gravett as he hitches a ride on Alec Hilliar's Dennis.

plained some recent additions to the website, including a brand new section devised as a memorial to the late Tony Hopwood (see separate article). We hope many members contribute a photograph to this section.

Keith also announced Angus Shapland as the winner of this year's Charlie Jones Award. Posting as "wristpin" Angus has made far more contributions to the website forums than any other member in the last couple of years. He is always willing to offer technical advice and information on the restoration of mowers. His award is well-deserved but as he was unable to attend the rally we will be making the presentation later in the year.

Keith also presented a plant to Brenda Stanford as thanks for her help in registering new members for the club. If you've joined in the past several years, your pack will have been sent to you by Brenda. The award for the best article in Grassbox during the past year, selected by the committee, was presented to Alan Hardwick for his piece "Frozen in Time" in GB92. The AGM was finished in good time which allowed for plenty more discussions.

Presentations were made at the end of the event. Bill Outram presented his working machine award to Clive Gravett for his New Easy. Alec Hillyar won the "spot the part" competition. The Andrew Grout Plate for the mower the members "would most like to take home" was won by Stan and Jonathan Hardwick for their Barnard, Bishop and Barnard hand mower found and restored during the past year. This was the fourth time Stan and Jon have won the award.

The weather was much better on the Sunday but there was a brief shower mid-afternoon which seemed to prompt a number of members to begin packing up. The sun was soon out again howe er. Members started to leave after the presentations and most had left by five pm, leaving the committee and a few other helpers enough time to clear up.

Next year's event will be – as always – the third full weekend in May. Details will be on the website and in Grassbox in due course.

JPS AT THE 2016 RALLY

By Henry Ellis

The two display themes for this years Annual Rally were JP mowers and Dennis mowers; of which there were about 40 JPs and four Dennises.

All the common JP hand mowers were well represented with 12 Minors, 12 Maxees and four Supers. Of the Minors eight were pre-war models which have the chevron type cutters and including one from the first year of manufacture (1931) and four post-war Minors (Minor Mk 2) with conventional cutter. Pre-war Minor grassboxes were made of aluminium with plywood sides not many of which were in evidence as by now many have become delaminated and worm infested – the post war models have metal grassboxes generally more durable but subject of course to rust.

There was one pre-war Maxees (introduced in 1938) with a rather complicated blade adjustment system which worked well enough when new but difficult to refurbish once rust has set in. This had a steel grassbox with wood sides whereas post-war the grassbox was all metal. Grassboxes from early and late periods will fit on all models of the Minor as will those for the Maxees and also a 1938 cutter unit will fit onto and work in a 1971 Maxees Mk3 and vice versa. One post-war model had the rare set of three aluminium front rollers.

The four Supers included a 1948 16" Bowling Green model with aluminium centre rear roller albeit wth a six-blade cutter – most had a nine-blade cutter – and another 16" standard model with

JP Simplex and 3 JP Power mowers

rarely fitted four aluminium front rollers. There were two Monarchs which are similar to the Maxees but without the interchangeable cutter feature so was in essennce a cheaper version but used a lot of the same parts. The Monarch was made in 12" and 14" sizes during the 1950s, and with the Maxees, was available with an electric or power assisted (driving the cutter only) option.

Based on the Super there were three Simplex power mowers and one electric version. Two were powered by Villiers two-stroke engines (recognisable by the aluminium 'torpedo' fuel tank) and one with a Villiers Mk10 four-stroke. The Simplex models (in 14" and 16" sizes) seem very popular at the moment with many appearing on ebay and sell well, heavily-built 'like a tank' and, providing the two-stroke engine is mastered, perform well. The electric Simplex is not so common but performs well and comes also in 12" size.

Now to the rarer models; there were three of the pre-war 16" Super Power mower powered by a specially built JAP 125cc two-stroke engine, two in restored condition and running and one as found. These date from 1928 up to about 1939 and were the smaller version of the more well-known 24" water-cooled and air-cooled mowers (two of which were scheduled to come – perhaps next year?) and which must have been ideal for those with large country houses and large pockets. Like all earlier JP power mowers they were very well made, very heavy and could be complicated to work on.

There was one example of the 16" Sports Green mower. This was the successor to the 16" Super Bowling Green model which was available up to 1963, and was based on the recently introduced Simplees lightweight power mower ie. without the superstructure to mount the engine and transmission and clutch. It was available with a six- or nine-blade cutter but was only in production for two years and consequently not many were built or seem to have survived. Another single example was the 1948 10" Matchless side-wheel mower (there was allegedly a 12" version) which unusually for this type of

machine had the wood rollers and the grassbox at the front. Also a single example of the 12" Major which was a slightly enlarged version of the Minor with the chevron cutter but with a three-part rear roller and considerably heavier. This was introduced in 1937 but did not reappear after the war and not many seem to survive today. Like the Minor from about 1935 there was a fitted cover over the rear roller emblazoned with the oval JP motif as seen on the grassbox sides.

Lastly there was an example of the JP company's exhibition or demonstration models; in this case a 1935 11" Minor (with the chevron cutter) finished in black with the cross bars chromium-plated and the two cast aluminium side covers highly polished. JP won a medal or a Minor in 1935 at the Southport Flower Show so maybe this is the actual machine? (The medal is in the care of the Leicester Pumping House Museum.) And finally there was an example of one of the JP company's wooden transit boxes for the Maxees but of-course could be blocked inside for smaller models like the Minor or for the Maxees cutter unit alone. This box is obviously a rare survivor as no doubt it would have been thrown away or put on the fire when the mower had been delivered. Having said that in the early days JP did offer to send a wooden crate/box for owners to send their mowers to the factory for maintainence and regrinding and even winter storage – so perhaps this box has been faithfully kept by the original owner.

DELAMINATION

By Christopher Proudfoot

I cannot remember when or where I bought this JP Maxees. All I know is that I bought it because, unlike most Maxees, it was one of the original, pre-war ones, with a decent screw adjustment to the bottom blade instead of that plastic knobbed lever you normally get. It had no grassbox, of course. Later on, in the course of a conversation with Henry Ellis, it emerged that a post-war Monarch (that's the cut-price Maxees, which doesn't have the lift-out cutting unit or 'cassette') should have an all metal grassbox, but mine had a wood sided one.

In those early post-war years, materials were hard to come by, and manufacturers had to make do with what they could get, to keep production flowing. There are some Ransomes 'Minors' with boxes made entirely of wood. Anyway, I learnt that my pre-war Maxees should have a wood-sided grassbox just like the Monarch one. A few days later, I was rummaging in the loft over the garage when I found just such a box. Again, I have no idea where it came from (only that it did not come with the mower), and it was in a sorry state. The problem is, by the 1930s, plywood was readily available and seemed to be the obvious material for grass-box ends. It doesn't split, after all. JP started using it on the 'Super' (does anyone know when?), and stained and varnished it, since the metal part was bare aluminium.

Above: Advert for a pre war Maxees
Below: 9 layers make up the plywood sides of the box, here they are all separated.

There are two problems with plywood. One is that woodworm love it, especially in the slightly damp conditions of a garden shed. The other is that the layers are held together with glue, and glue in the 1930s was the old-fashioned sort made of hoof and bone, and it tends to soften when it gets damp. This one had got very damp, especially at one end, where water had lodged inside the box, and the layers had all separated, some with splits and rotten parts, and one missing altogether.

Now any normal person would have thrown away these wrinkled slices of veneer and cut out two new pieces of plywood. But I am all for originality if at all possible, and I therefore set about gluing those veneers back together. I glued them together in stages, to make sure that the layers were properly flattened out, and one problem was that they had expanded across the grain, as wood does, but not along it. Since plywood is made of layers at right angles to each other, this meant that the 'ends', for want of a better word when describing

a sort of irregular oval, had a 'ridge and furrow' appearance.
The side which had been sitting in water was a bit too far gone on the inside, so I replaced three layers with a piece of three-ply, and used good parts of the damaged layers to fill gaps in some of the others. The outside layer on the other side was missing altogether, so I had another look in the garage loft and found a piece of beech multi-ply that was conveniently de-laminating. I was able to remove the outer layer, and complete the second side of the box.

The metal on this box is steel, not aluminium, but it nonetheless has turned edges, like the JP aluminium boxes, which made it easier to reassemble it. The steel was originally painted in a delicate pastel green (did JP invent grassboxes painted in a different colour from the mower?).
Someone had painted the whole thing in something like Ransomes green, but I managed to get quite a bit of this off and reveal the original paint. The JP Maxees transfer, however, defied recovery.

Above: many cramps and two thick boards are used to glue the layers back together.
Below: The finished grassbox.

ANNUAL RALLY PARTS COMPETITION

By Dick Hardwick

Once again at the A.G.M. Rally, Richard Jones ran the “name these parts”competition – a simple, fun, test of knowledge of mower bits and pieces. 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 I've sent a numbered photo of the parts to the Editor 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 correct answer!

You simply have to select **from the options below** what each numbered item is in the picture; correct answers are given on page 14 in this issue.

Ransomes Marquis blade carrier
Atco 20 blade carrier

Greens pony mower front roller bracket
Shanks pony mower front roller bracket

Suffolk Colt cast iron thrower plate
Qualcast Superlite panther thrower plate.

Shanks silver comet chain inspection cover
J P Super chain inspection cover

Ransomes Cub handle.
Qualcast Model E handle

Clive Gravett *has recently acquired a Ransomes patent Motor Mower 36in on behalf of The Budding Museum of Gardening, pictured above.*
Unfortunately the previous owner lost the fuel tank & exhaust, but there is a large box of other bits associated with it. The mower is now on display at the entrance to the museum. It rolls & steers quite nicely but took a car recovery truck and strong winch to heave the 16cwt aboard when collected recently.

Clive would like to hear from anyone with a spare tank etc!
Fitted with an Alpha Coventry 2 cylinder engine. The mower is thought to date from 1922.

CLUB SERVICES AND INFORMATION

TONY HOPWOOD AWARD

When our former chairman and long-term member Tony Hopwood died last year we wanted to do something to remember him. The committee decided that another annual award or one-off event in Tony's memory would not be appropriate. Instead, we looked at something that was an idea of Tony's.
While he was our chairman a few years ago he suggested that he wanted the club to get involved in some fun activities. One particular idea that Tony often mentioned was that members should visit unusual places and be photographed with their mowers. To illustrate the idea, Tony talked about having his photograph taken with a mower in Trafalgar Square in London. Tony also suggested that we could publish these photographs in Grassbox or on the website to show how "crazy" and "eccentric" we could be as collectors and enthusiasts.
Sadly, we didn't pursue Tony's idea at the time but it seemed to me that this would be a fitting way of remembering

him and his contribution to the club and our activities.

We have therefore created a new section on the website where members can do just as Tony wanted: take a photograph of yourself and a mower at an unusual venue or setting and upload it to the website for everyone to see.

We've designed it to be as simple as possible. All you need to do is log on with your own username or password or the generic username and password (ie olcmember etc) contained in each edition of Grassbox. After clicking on the relevant link (found in the main Members section or on the pages themselves) you'll need to fill in a few fields such as your name, where the photograph was (or is being) taken and why it's interesting. You can select any photograph on your device (eg PC, laptop, tablet, phone etc) to add and the page can even work out where it was taken if you enter the address (or you can simply click on the map). If you are using a phone or tablet with a built-in camera you have the option to take a photo on the spot and the device will also detect automatically where you are.

Each photograph is displayed as a separate page on a map while the main section page has a map with clickable buttons showing where all the photos were taken.

The new section is live and a few committee members have already posted their own photographs to get things started. We also took a couple of group photographs at the annual rally with members and mowers among Milton Keynes' famous concrete cows (which are permanently on display at the museum).

There are full instructions on the website and the system will work anywhere in the world (we already have at least one page from the USA).

We hope this will be a fun way for more members to contribute to the website. You can add as many pages as you like and we really do want as many members as possible to take part. There are no prizes and no annual awards for this but we will highlight some of the more interesting or "whacky" contributions on the website and in future Grassboxes. We'll also help members to add pages if they can't do it themselves (but hopefully it's easy to do yourself) and of course we will remove anything that's inappropriate.

Anyone who spent time with Tony, at our events or away from the rally field, will know that he had an infectious and very sharp sense of humour. Adding one of these new pages with your own photographs will be a fitting way to remember him.

SPARES

Contact Richard Jones 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.

DIARY DATES FOR 2016

Bedford Steam Rally
16/17/18 September
Details from Dick Hardwick

Malvern Autumn Show
24/25 September

Details from Keith Wootton

Further details of these and other events on the club website.

WEBSITE

Fore generic access to the website you can use olcmember as the username and Atco1936! As the password. This will give you access to all Members-Only sections but you will not be able to post to the forums. To do this you must register using your own username and password.

ENEWS

We recently sent out the first of what we plan to be a quarterly e-newsletter. Our aim is to keep you informed of recent news about the club but particularly to let you know when a new Grassbox is being prepared so that you can submit adverts and articles in time. The newsletter also allows us to highlight recent additions to the website.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

All renewal notices will have been sent out by the time this edition of Grassbox is published. You will only receive a reminder if the "Until:" date on the label on the envelope says "2016". However, we printed the labels before sending the reminders which means that your "Until:" date will not have changed even if you have renewed in the past few weeks. Everyone will receive this edition of Grassbox and the next even if they do not rejoin.

PARTS COMPETITION ANSWERS

1 = Ransomes Marquis blade carrier.
2 = Shanks pony mower roller bracket.
3 = Suffolk Colt cast iron thrower plate.
4 = J.P. Super chain inspection cover.
5 = Qualcast Model E handle.

ADVERTISEMENTS

FOR SALE

12" Ransomes Minor Mk6 motor mower, no AO2723, c1952, c/w box, offers. C: Clive Atkinson T: 01270620414 E: cliveatkinson1@me.com (Nantwich)

24" Atco c/w JAP 4 stroke engine, C1925. 95% restored, grassbox as found. Best offer over £50; non atco trailer seat. C: Donald Curren T:01929 552489 E: mcurren@tiscali.co.uk. (Wareham, Dorset)

36" Atco Unknown, 1922, c/w Norton 500 engine, c/w box, FTGH C: Alan Olley T: 07836 369079 E: alanolley@waitrose.com (Ashford)#

12" Qualcast Super Panther, 1959, c/w Electrical Motor Development Halstead engine, c/w box, Offers C: Graham Jackson T: 01555 772510 E: grjjackson@hotmail.co.uk (Hamilton)#

13" Rotoscythe unknown model, £30 C: Philip Matthews T: 01494 758205 E: val@psmatthews.com (Chesham)#

18" Ransomes Marquis Mark 4a, c/w box, FTGH C: Roger Townsend T: 01798 831088 E: roger.townsend1@btinternet.com (Arundel)#

12" Qualcast Panther S, 1955/6, Offers C: Christopher Kirk T: 01509 881802 E: christopherjkirk@gmail.com (Loughborough)#

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15" Hearings Manufactering Memphis, Tenn. EZYKUT Deluxe Junior, 1940s, c/w Electric Brown Motor / Pat Pend: A2263 engine, c/w box, Offers C: Charlie Adams T: 001 405 8087206 or 001 405 6512632 E: m.edwards56@att.net (Noble)#

12" Ransomes Ajax Mk3, c1946 c/w box, FTGH C: Tom Olliver Snr. T: 01264 352686 E: tom.olliver256@btinternet.com (Andover)#

10" to 18" Various, ATCO, Qualcast, Shay, Suffolk including Squire, Webb - 22 in total, various push and motor mowers. Contact

seller for full list. FTGH C: Charlie Moore T: 01761 419985 E: charlie.r.moore@btinternet.com (Midsomer Norton)#

30" Dennis Z type, c/w box, 299 C: John Walsh T: 07767 857524 E: walsh997@btinternet.com (Perth)#

14" Atco Commodore B14, 1995, c/w B&S engine, c/w box, FTGH C: Philip Hearn T: 07763 899084 E: philhearn1@yahoo.co.uk (Horsham)#

Qualcast Super Panther, 1965, c/w box, £50 C: Steve Pardoe T: 01279 629616 E: stevejpardoe@gmail.com (Harlow)#

14" Suffolk Super Colt, c/w B&S engine, £20 C: Michael Spooner T: 01189 402108 E: mikebspooner@hotmail.co.uk (Henley on Thames)#

20" Ransome Auto-Certes, pre-1990, c/w B&S engine, c/w box C: Andrew Braid T: 07710 314246 E: roundhaybohemians@gmail.com (Leeds)#

Allen Power Scythe, FTGH C: Kevin Sands T: 01557 820254 E: kev@necessarium.co.uk (Dumfries)#

12" JP Maxees Mk3, c1967, c/w box, Offers C: peter alliston T: 0121 706 7113 E: peteralliston@googlemail.com (Solihull)#

16" Atco Standard, 1920s, c/w Villiers engine, c/w box, Offers C: Alan Ford T: 0121 453 6329 E: trenchart.uk@talktalk.net (Birmingham)#

Suffolk Engine, 75 G14. complete, boxed, new, mid 1970s, 1970s, c/w Suffolk engine, c/w , Offers C: Alan Ford T: 0121 453 6329 E: trenchart.uk@talktalk.net (Birmingham)#

11" Suffolk Suffolk Colt Motor Mower, c/w Suffolk engine, c/w box, £25 ono C: Glynnis Scott T: 0121 4295476 E: glynnis1@sky.com (Oldbury, near Birmingham)#

Lloyds 8386/21, £2000 C: Katina Emsleu T: 07932 731865 E: tinaemsley@gmail.com (Leeds)#

12" Hayn Cylinder electric, 1960s, c/w Hoover engine, c/w box, FTGH C: Mike Aston T: 01202 249314 E: mike_aston@ntlworld.com (Bournemouth)#

17" Atco ID number 1757, 1957, c/w Villiers engine, c/w box, £25 C: D Tinker T: E: tinker.family@ntlworld.com (Milton Keynes)#

14" Atco Unknown, Offers C: Margaret Bultitude T: E: mbultitude@hotmail.com (Kettering)#

12" Suffolk Colt, c1967, c/w Suffolk Type 75G14, Model No.21A. engine, c/w box, FTGH C: Henry Christmas T: 01326 373693 E: xmas@btinternet.com (Falmouth.)#

6" Greens Silens Messor "S-Handle", 1880s, £75 C: Edward Nash T: 07733 997732 E: edward.nash1@hotmail.co.uk (Skelmersdale)#

19" Hayter Harrier 2, 1976, c/w B&S engine, c/w box C: Steve Hoffman T: 01747 860514 E: mail@stevehoffman.org.uk (Warminster)#

22" Atco , 1921, c/w Villiers engine, c/w box, Offers C: Peter Smith T: 01225 755465 E: s.pa.smith@btinternet.com (Bristol)#

12" Suffolk Colt, c/w box, FTGH C: Peter Serman T: 01333 630206 E: p.serman@yahoo.com (Leven)#

Shay Countryman and two unknown long-grass, scrub-cutter machines. C: Kev Watson T: 07710 009297 E: kevwatson@rocketmail.com (Unknown)#

Suffolk Punch, c/w box; 12” Ransomes Anglia hand mower, c/w box, Ransomes motor mower, model unknown, c/w box C: Roger Dew T: 01590 682976 M: 07989 617084 E: dewanne@me.com (New Forest)#

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Horticultural trailer wheel rim, 8" split rim wheel, c1965. C: Mowing Wurzel E: rotary.mower.man@btinternet.com (Tewkesbury)

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pyneapplechunks@Hotmail.co.uk (Brecon)

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.

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