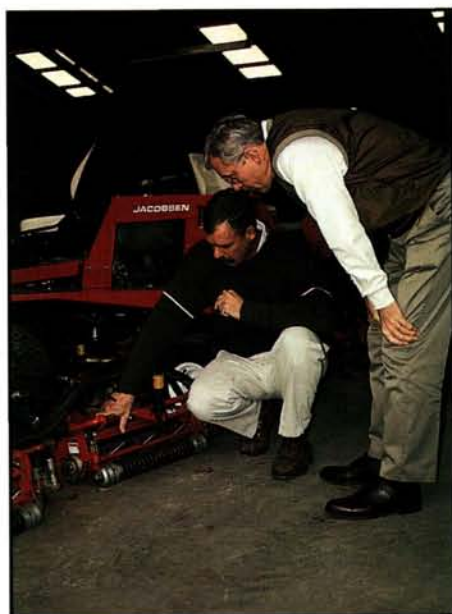


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facilities are integrated into
the golf course landscape.*



*As practice becomes more a part of the
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*Meeting turf maintenance equipment
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