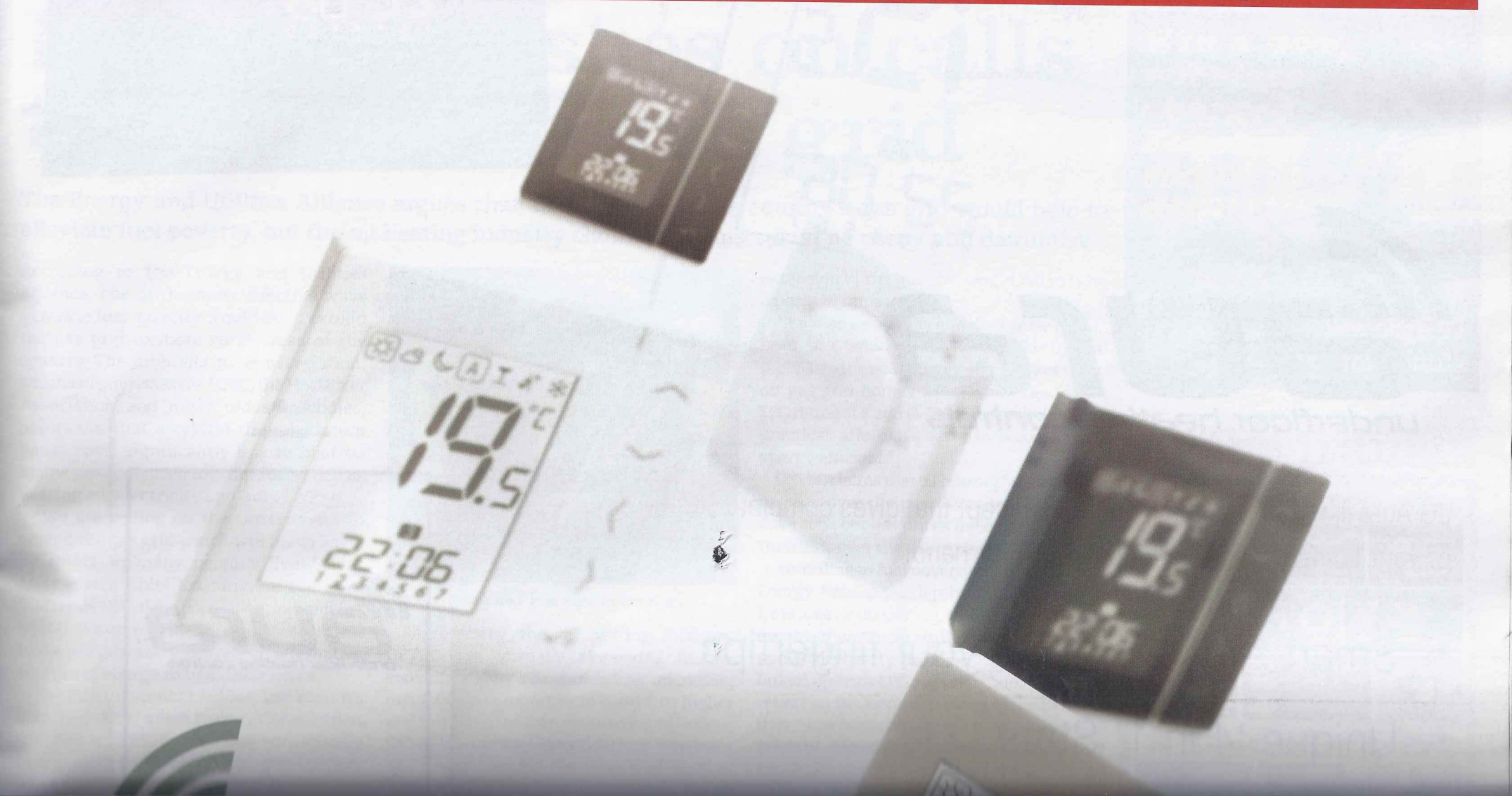


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Blades are quick changing

The latest version of Makita's multi-tool, the DTM51ZJX7, features a tool-less method of installing and removing the many varieties of tools and blades used on this ambidextrous machine. Instead of using an Allen key to release the tool holder, the operator simply lifts a lever immediately behind the tool operating head. This device makes blade changing

a quicker and more precise operation.

The multi-tool runs on the existing 18v lithium-ion 3Ah and 4Ah batteries, and will take the new 5Ah battery, which will generate a maximum 390W output. The tool has an oscillation angle of 1.6° to the left and the same to the right, giving a total of 3.2°, and with a variable speed control dial

it will run between 6000 and 20,000 oscillations per minute. Makita says this performance from a cordless machine is higher than many mains products.

The Soft Start function ensures that the motor gradually increases speed even if the control is fully pressed.

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www.makitauk.com



Grime getter

The 4x4 Power Spray from Big Wipes is a fast-acting antibacterial cleaner that ensures the effective removal of paint, adhesives, oil, sealants, silicones, PU foam and general grime. This preservative free spray contains the same formula as the 4x4 wipes, meaning it includes four powerful cleaning agents and four dermatologically tested skin conditioners, making it tough on grime but kind to your hands.



www.bigwipes.com

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Measuring up

Now available from CK Tools are two heavy duty tape measures, housed in a rubber casing to withstand plenty of abuse. The blades are nylon coated for abrasion resistance and are equipped with double sided markings, guaranteeing EC Class II measuring accuracy. A shock absorbing system reduces the impact of any sudden blade retraction.

The CK XT Tape Measure is available in two sizes -



5m (16ft) and 7.5m (25ft). The C.K AT Auto Lock Tape Measure is available in a 5m length and features an automatic blade locking mechanism.

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www.ck-tools.com

New hand saw is a cut above the rest

The 244P-XT, a universal saw with a blue 22inch blade, is the latest addition to Bahco's 244 hand saw range. With XT toothing and hardpoint teeth for long lasting sharpness, the saw is said to make short work of cutting any coarse or thick wood, wet or dry, faster and with less effort.

Bahco says that the blade will stay sharp despite repeated use and it is treated with an anti-corrosion, low friction coating. The saw's



screwed 'power grip' handle has been designed with comfort and safety in mind

and can be used for quick 45 or 90° marking.

The 244 range includes

a precision saw for fine cutting, a compact 12inch tenon with extra-fine toothing for precision or mitre work; a laminator saw for cutting wood, laminate flooring or PVC; two universal saws for fast cutting of rough or sawn timber; and a high performance toolbox saw for any quick cuts that a professional tradesperson needs to do.

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www.bahco.com

Battery goes the distance

The professional cordless power tool series from DeWalt now benefits from the latest

applications. This increases the battery life and ensures maximum power for users when undertaking



Incentive to make the switch to LPG

LPG supplier Calor has announced an extension of its customer offer that gives rural homeowners a free above ground LPG tank installation (including all civils, external pipework and labour) when they switch their energy supply to Calor LPG. The offer is good until 31 March of next year.

Calor says installers can benefit from this by offering new LPG boiler installations or by servicing the new LPG heating system. It will also reward installers for every successful tank referral with either £250 or an equivalent value in reward points that can be used to purchase items, including Calor products.



Look out for the Big van

Big Wipes is taking to the road to promote its range of grime-busting cleaning products. Its colourful vans will be heading to trade shows, builders and plumbers merchants, decorating outlets and building sites all over the country with the mission to get tradespeople and their tools cleaned up quickly and efficiently.

“Big Wipes 4x4 clean up



hands and tools quickly and easily without the need for water,” says MD Nigel Dibbo. “Our vans will be touring the

nation to show the trade how Big Wipes 4x4 can remove even the most stubborn grime.”

Viessmann marks 25th UK anniversary

Marking 25 years of operations in the UK, Viessmann has held a commemorative event at its Telford HQ. The German-owned group opened a small UK office in 1989 and today has 90 employees and trains approximately 2500 installers every year. Group CEO and Chairman Dr. Martin Viessmann, the Mayor for Telford & Wrekin, and David Wagstaff, Head of Heat Strategy at DECC, helped celebrate the milestone.



Guests toured an exhibition of the Viessmann technology that the company believes will

heat UK homes in the next 25 years, including the Vitocal 242-S air source heat pump,

a bivalent heat pump/boiler combination, gas absorption heat pump and the Vitovalor 300-P domestic fuel cell.

“We are genuinely very excited about what Viessmann has to bring to heating innovation at what feels like a key time for our industry,” says MD Graham Russell. “Over the next 25 years, we will continue to be at the forefront of the transition from boilers to hybrids, heat pumps, micro CHP and to fuel cells.”

Deal with Nerrad

Carl Kammerling International, the supplier of hand tools for the electrical trade, has taken a minority stake in Nerrad Tools with the aim of providing funding and logistics support to enable the company to grow to its full potential. Commenting on the deal, Nerrad’s MD Darren Chalkly says:

“Finding the correct strategic partner was extremely important to us. Nerrad now has the funding for growth and is in a fantastic position to not only expand the number of outlets that hold our range but to also introduce many new and innovative products into the market. With distribution now being handled by Carl Kammerling, stockists will now be able to benefit from next day delivery and unparalleled stock availability.”