

Hydro-Gear Announces Return to GCSAA Trade Show with Innovative Drive Solutions for Golf Course Equipment

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Hydro-Gear®, a global leader in precision drive solutions, will exhibit at the **2026 GCSAA Conference & Trade Show**, February 4–5 in Orlando, Florida. This marks the **first time Hydro-Gear has exhibited at GCSAA since 2008**, underscoring the company's renewed focus on supporting the evolving needs of golf course equipment manufacturers.

At the show, Hydro-Gear will highlight a broad portfolio of **hydraulic and electric drive technologies** designed to support current and future golf course equipment — from traditional maintenance machines to emerging autonomous and electrified platforms.

Drive Solutions for the Future of Golf Course Equipment

Hydro-Gear's exhibit will feature solutions applicable across a wide range of golf and turf equipment, including fairway mowers, rough mowers, utility vehicles, specialty equipment, and autonomous platforms. Technologies on display will include:

- **Hydraulic motors and pumps** engineered for durability, efficiency, and precise control
- **Electric drive motors**, including the Smartec® HGMe™ assembled at the company's Indianapolis, Indiana facility
- **Motor controllers and drive-by-wire systems** enabling advanced vehicle control and automation
- **Battery systems** optimized for mobile equipment applications

These technologies are designed to help OEMs address key industry trends, including electrification, emissions reduction, noise control, operator comfort, and the integration of autonomous capabilities.



“Golf course equipment is evolving quickly, and OEMs are looking for proven partners who can support both hydraulic and electric platforms,” said **Mike McCoy, Vice President of Sales and Marketing at Hydro-Gear**. “Our presence at the GCSAA reflects Hydro-Gear’s commitment to helping manufacturers navigate that transition with reliable, scalable drive solutions.”

Supporting OEM Innovation Across Power Types

With decades of experience in hydraulic systems and a growing electric product portfolio under its Smartec brand, Hydro-Gear offers OEMs the flexibility to deploy the right technology for each application — whether hydraulic, electric, or hybrid.

By combining deep application expertise with vertically integrated design and manufacturing, Hydro-Gear helps customers accelerate development while maintaining performance, reliability, and total cost-of-ownership targets.

Visit Hydro-Gear at GCSAA 2026, Booth# 1837

Attendees are invited to visit Hydro-Gear during the 2026 GCSAA Conference & Trade Show to learn more about its hydraulic and electric drive solutions for golf course equipment and autonomous vehicles.

Show: GCSAA Conference & Trade Show

Dates: February 4–5, 2026

Location: Orlando, Florida

About Hydro-Gear

Founded in 1991 and headquartered in Sullivan, Illinois, Hydro-Gear is a world leader in the design and manufacture of precision drive solutions. The company markets residential-grade hydraulic products under its Hydro-Gear® brand, commercial-grade hydraulic solutions under Hydro-Gear Commercial®, and electric drive systems under its Smartec™ brand. With multiple manufacturing facilities and global operations, Hydro-Gear is committed to delivering innovative, reliable solutions that exceed customer expectations.