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## Victa Returns to Australian Hands in Landmark Acquisition by Roy Gripske & Sons

**Sydney Australia**: Victa, Australia's most recognisable name in lawn and garden care, has been acquired by Queensland-based **Roy Gripske & Sons (RGS)**, a proudly Australian-owned family business with more than four decades of industry expertise.

The move marks an exciting new chapter for the 73-year-old brand, promising new investment, improved product availability, and a continued commitment to the innovation and quality that have made Victa a household name.

"Victa is an Australian icon, and we're proud to have been part of its story," said **Dean Harriott, Managing Director of Briggs & Stratton**. "We're delighted to see Victa return to Australian ownership with Roy Gripske & Sons, a business that shares the same passion for quality, innovation, and customer service. We're confident they will build on Victa's proud heritage and continue delivering the very best lawn and garden equipment to customers across Australia."

"Victa is a name that generations of Australians have trusted," said Paul Sheehan CEO & Director of Roy Gripske & Sons. "We're honoured to become the new custodian of such an iconic brand and are committed to preserving its heritage while investing in its future. Our focus will be on strengthening supply, expanding innovation, and ensuring Victa continues to deliver the quality and performance Australians expect."

RGS, headquartered in Queensland with distribution centres nationwide, has built a strong reputation for delivering high-quality lawn and garden products and exceptional customer service. The company plans to leverage its extensive logistics network to enhance product delivery capabilities and ensure customers continue to receive best-in-class service.

Once the sale has finalized, RGS will incorporate the Victa products directly into its portfolio, ensuring customers experience a seamless transition. In New Zealand, the company has appointed Steelfort as its exclusive distributor, reinforcing its commitment to strong local partnerships and ensuring Victa products remain readily available to New Zealand customers.

Briggs & Stratton will continue operations across Australia, New Zealand, and South East Asia, managing its full portfolio of brands including Briggs & Stratton, Vanguard, Ferris, Billy Goat, and Snapper as well as distributing ECHO, Shindaiwa, and Oregon products.

The sale is expected to be finalised on 12<sup>th</sup> September, 2025 with RGS assuming full responsibility for the Victa brand's customer and supplier relationships. In the meantime, it will be business as usual for customers, with no changes to existing services or product availability.





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# **About Briggs and Stratton**

Briggs & Stratton, headquartered in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, provides innovative products and diverse power solutions to help people get work done. Briggs & Stratton is the world's largest producer of engines for outdoor power equipment, and is a leading designer, manufacturer and marketer of lithium-ion battery, standby generator, energy storage system, lawn and garden, turf care and job site products through its <a href="mailto:Briggs & Stratton">Briggs & Stratton</a>, <a href="mailto:Simplicity">Snapper</a>, <a href="mailto:Briggs & Stratton">Briggs & Stratton</a> products are designed, manufactured, marketed and serviced in more than 100 countries on six continents.

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## **About Roy Gripske and Sons**

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