

Recent weather creates a boom period



Mowing contractor Neil Valentine has his slasher working overtime to cut Toowoomba's rapidly growing grass. PICTURE: BEV LACEY

Mowing contractors a cut above the rest



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WHILE the sound of a mower revving at the crack of dawn spells misery for sleeping neighbours, it's music to the ears of Neil Valentine.

That's because the Toowoomba mowing and slashing contractor has been run off his feet with requests from people to cut their rapidly growing grass that has sprouted after the recent rain.

And he's not alone:

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tacted more than 10 mowing contractors who all said it was the busiest they had been in years.

"It has been a long time between drinks, but it's very good at the moment," Mr Valentine said.

"I've been in Toowoomba for 15 years and I'd say this is the busiest we've been for about five

years.

"But of course, it won't last forever."

For those who mow their own lawn, many have had costly surprises after their mower spent a lonely winter in the garden shed.

Craig Schmidt from Downs Mower Centre said his workshop was booked out weeks in advance with repair jobs.

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