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Cornell Turfgrass Field Day



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CORNELL UNIVERSITY TURFGRASS TIMES

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It's July 15th and the Annual Member-Guest Tournament begins tomorrow. As you are driving around, scouting the course, you notice some areas that look droughty. It seems odd to you, since there has been adequate rainfall, and the soil seems moist. Is it wet wilt? Is it a disease? Gray leaf spot? You need to decide now!

Earlier in the season you signed up for the weekly report from the Cornell Turfgrass Program, *CUTT Weekly*, to keep abreast of current turfgrass management issues. Each week you receive a two page update on the latest weather reports, regional pest observations and recommendations based on the latest research from national experts. It arrives each Monday by noon either via email or fax.

You remember reading that Gray Leaf Spot was seen in the area and is often mistaken for drought stress. In fact, the *CUTT* experts indicated that irrigating will make it worse. A few recommendations are provided for control and you are able to decide on a course of action. The tournament is a success and everyone is raving about the turf conditions.

This is just one of the many turfgrass issues discussed in the *CUTT Weekly* newsletter, available to all turfgrass professionals for \$50 per year via email, or \$70 via fax. It is a small expense for your link to national experts providing information based on current weather conditions and the latest research. Don't delay, the season is beginning and in today's world, current information could give you the edge you need to succeed. Contact Evie Gussack at (607) 257-8481 or <eg21@cornell.edu> for more information.

You Use the Recommends, Now See the Research: Cornell Turfgrass Field Day '99

The Cornell Turfgrass Field Day, presented in partnership with the New York State Turfgrass Association, will be held on Tuesday August 17, 1999 from 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM at the Cornell Turfgrass Research and Education Center and the Robert Trent Jones Golf Course at Cornell University in Ithaca, NY.

The Field Day will include a trade show, chicken barbecue and a tour of the research currently in progress in areas such as putting green establishment, National Turfgrass Evaluation Program fine fescue trial, bentgrass putting green trial and bentgrass fairway trial; crabgrass control programs, use of plant growth regulators to improve turf performance in shade and annual bluegrass control with XPO.

Registration information will begin to arrive in June, so mark your calendars today!

Expanded Regional Conferences a Success for NYSTA

Turfgrass managers in New York had unprecedented access to the latest information on golf turf, lawn and landscape and sports turf issues in 1999. The expanded regional conferences offered by the New York State Turfgrass Association in partnership with Cornell Cooperative Extension and the Cornell Turfgrass Team reached over 500 professionals. The regional conferences are held in the southeast (Hudson Valley), northeast (Capital District), western (Buffalo), and the Adirondacks.

The conferences include a general session that addresses major industry issues such as grub control and environmental regulations, a back to basics session to review the basics of turf management, and then breakout sessions to address specific issues in golf, landscape and sports turf.

Another exciting season is being planned for 2000 by the regional conference committees. If you'd like to suggest topics and speakers for the conferences in your region, please contact NYSTA at (800) 873-8873.

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