FTGA show to offer new workshops in farewell to Tampa

ORLANDO — Several new workshop topics will highlight the 1989 Florida Turfgrass Conference and Show at Tampa’s Curtis Hixson Convention Center Oct. 8-11. This year’s workshop topics:

- Weed identification and control
- Aquatic Weed Control
- Aerification
- Effluent
- Landscape and sports field management and practices
- Fungicides for disease control
- Irrigation, mowing and renovation
- Troubleshooting turf equipment
- Labor relations and personnel management
- Personal financing
- Disease, nematode and insect management in the landscape
- Plant selection and maintenance.

Seminar categories will be golf turf, basics of turf management, principles of turf management and commercial turf.

FTGA officials look for 2,000 to attend the last conference in Tampa. It moves to Orlando in 1990 and then to Jacksonville for several years.

Pioneer turf researcher Tom Mascaro will be the keynote speaker. For more information, contact the FTGA, 302 S. Graham Ave., Orlando, FL 32803; phone 407-898-6721.

Ford Lauderdale's Fairchild Garden to host first international conference on palm horticulture

FORT LAUDERDALE — The First International Symposium on palm horticulture will be Oct. 5-6 in the Corbin Building at the Fairchild Tropical Garden, reputed to have one of the finest collections of mature palm species in the United States.

According to the University of Florida’s Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, co-sponsor, the symposium will present “the latest information on the cultivation of ornamental palms, with reports by industry and university leaders in mineral nutrition research of palms, pests and diseases, field production, seed germination, seed plantations, interiorscape use, landscape use and much more.”

Registration fee of $25 ($15 for members of Fairchild Tropical Garden or the International Palm Society) is payable no later than Sept. 1. Checks should be made payable to the University of Florida Foundation. Admission will be $10 higher at the door.

For more information, contact Dr. Alan W. Meerow at 305-475-8990 or write to Palm Symposium, University of Florida, Fort Lauderdale REC, 3205 College Ave., Fort Lauderdale, FL 33314.

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(Continued from page 38) come down because, for the record, they have scored better against the ‘official’ course.

“Unless, of course, you compound the problem by setting the pins on the front edge of the greens. Remember, most of them are coming in there with woods! “In fact, most women won’t even try an iron unless she has a carry of 75 yards or less, Dye said.

“Five iron or nine iron, it doesn’t really make too much difference,” said Dye, whose 223 in the 1979 Senior Women’s Amateur still stands as the record. “I would hate to say this in front of a group of club manufacturers, but women tend to hit all their woods the same distance and all their irons the same distance.”

Throughout her presentation, Dye reminded her audience that she was advocating the construction of a second set of tees for women players, not moving the current set forward.

“Just as the men have a choice of three, and sometimes four, sets of tees,” she said, “the women should have some realistic choices, too.”