Turf Industry Roundup

Waterworks features two Florida superintendents

Lesco has released Legacy, a low-growing turf-type perennial ryegrass for overseeding. Aquatrols has reformulated AquaGro*S soil wetting agent and renamed it AquaGro 2S. Turf-Tec International has a new field tissue test kit for nitrate-nitrogen in turfgrasses. The company's Verti-Slicer aerifies a course without materially disturbing play.

Standard Golf's 1992 catalog includes several products designed to satisfy specific superintendent requests, such as a debris rake that picks up pine needles and other small objects.

New Products

Aquatrols has featured two Central Florida golf course superintendents in the January issue of Waterworks: Keith Van Hook at Mountain Lake CC and Jim Rowland at Lake Wales CC. Both use the company's AquaGro*S wetting agent to combat problems caused by the sandy soil of Florida's Ridge.

Charles R. Nash has been promoted from business manager to business director for ICI Professional Products. William D. McClellan is the company's new national technical director, replacing Richard Gouger, who retired March 1, and Doug Mills has been promoted from turf products manager to communications manager.

Susan Samudio and Mark Sellman have been promoted to associate breeders for Jacklin Seed Co. Samudio worked with perennial ryegrasses and Sellman continues to work with fine fescues.

Bob Henderson has been promoted to manager of controller operations for the Rain Bird companies. A graduate of Brown University, Henderson will continue as plant manager for Clemar Manufacturing Corp. in Claremont, Calif. Ed Eduok has been appointed senior meteorologist for Rain Bird's agriculture, golf and parts markets. Dirk Lenie is the company's new managing director of sales and marketing for the golf division and Bob Finkenbiner is one of his new product managers. Roy Straight has been appointed plant manager of Anthony Industrial and June Kubota is a new marketing assistant in the golf division.

James B. Smith is the new general manager of Ceres Products Corp., based in Azusa, Calif.

George Hamilton will coordinate Penn State's two-year turfgrass management program. He replaces Dr. Joseph Duich, who has retired. A graduate of the turf program, Hamilton earned a master's degree in agronomy from Penn State and has been in charge of the university's Landscape Management Research Center since 1982.

Kerry Haigh, has been promoted to senior director, tournaments, by the PGA of America. The 32-year-old native of England had been director of Tournament Operations. Jorge Quintero has left his own development consulting firm to become the association’s director of golf course development.

The January PGA Merchandise Show in Orlando attracted 27,774 buyers, an increase of more than 4,000 over last year's record-setting attendance. More than 2,000 buyers came from foreign countries. Addition of space at the Peabody Hotel across the street from the Orange County Convention Center enabled the number of exhibitors to increase to 707.

Robert Trent Jones Sr. received the Golf Course Builders Association of America's Don Rossi Humanitarian Award.

Paul Fullmer, who has guided the development of the American Society of Golf Course Architects as executive secretary for 22 years, has been named the 1992 winner of the organization's Donald Ross Award.

John R. Sullivan, CCM, general manager of the Grosse Point (Mich.) Yacht Club, was elected president of the Club Managers Association of America at the organization's annual conference Jan. 16. Other new officers are Richard Kolas, Tucson, Ariz., vice president; William Schulz, Houston, secretary-treasurer. National director from Florida is Jay DiPietro, Boca West CC.