

ProStar obtains new EPA labeling

MONTVALE, N.J. — AgrEvo has announced that its fungicide, ProStar 50 WP, recently obtained new labeling from the EPA for both preventative and curative suppression of fairy ring.

The disease, caused by the puffball mushroom, plagues putting greens by growing unnoticed within the soil, causing necrotic/hydrophobic rings, of-

ten leading to localized dry spot, spawning unsightly mushrooms.

As a result of the EPA approval, ProStar 50 WP is now labeled for three types of fairy ring treatment: preventative treatments on newly built or rebuilt putting greens; preventative treatments on existing putting greens with a history of fairy ring prior to periodic visible signs of rings;

and curative treatments at first signs of development (greening, death of turf, mushrooms) to suppress growth.

The EPA approval was supported by results of a 1994 University of Florida test conducted by pathologist Dr. Monica Elliott in which she concluded that ProStar 50 WP stopped mushroom production on a USGA specification research green.

Lofts presents annual royalty check

NEW BRUNSWICK, N.J. — Dr. Richard Hurley, executive vice president of Lofts Seed, recently acknowledged the company's commitment to turfgrass research at Rutgers University by presenting its annual royalty check.

The check, which totaled \$822,522.49, was presented to Dr. Reed Funk, Dr. Bill Meyer,

Dr. Dan Rossi and Bruce Clarke of Rutgers University and to members of the turfgrass research program. The Presentation took place at the Rutgers Horticultural Farm II.

"Our relationship with Rutgers has been so rewarding for both Lofts and the university turfgrass research program. Rutgers continues to be a leader in turfgrass development and Lofts Seed is glad to be part of that effort," said Hurley.

Lofts Seed also annually presents Rutgers with scholarships for turfgrass students from the Peter Selmer Loft Scholarship Fund which to date has provided funding for over 150 scholarships. This year, Lofts awarded a record number 28 scholarships.

AgrEvo awards turf scholarships

MONTVALE, N.J. — AgrEvo recently announced the winners of its annual Turf Scholarships.

Winners included: Anthony Palesano and Travis Outlaw of Oklahoma State University; Sean McDonough of Oregon State University; Dallas Smith of Texas A & M University; and Michael Fricault and Paul Fox of the University of Florida. Each received a \$500 scholarship to be used toward the study of turfgrass management.

According to George Raymond, AgrEvo green industry marketing manager, "In today's era of technology, we recognize the educational needs of future turfgrass managers, therefore, we have a viable interest in their professionalism."

Jerry Pate

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Pate believes his passion and experience will trickle down to increased service and increased sales.

"I owned a 36-hole development [Tiger Point in Pensacola] for eight years," he said. "When you're on that side of the business you learn the needs of a golf operation. You learn the difference between good equipment and not-so-good equipment and you learn the difference between good service from a distributor and not-so-good service."

Meanwhile, Jerry Pate Golf Design currently has four projects under construction and several jobs pending. Pate recently joined forces with Tom Fazio on a second 18 holes at Dancing Rabbit Golf Club in Philadelphia, Miss. Dancing Rabbit is Pate's fourth design collaboration with Fazio.

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