What about solutions?

To the Editor,

I have some concerns about the Colorado Moss Symposium article by Kevin Ross (GCN April 2002). Specifically, I don’t think it truly reflects the pertinent information that came out at the seminar — especially in terms of completed research.

The article also mentions Dawn for moss control as providing the fact that moss comes back after Dawn applications. Dawn also discolors turf. Superintendents from eight states conducted a study that indicated these conclusions.

As far as research, Frank Rossi at Cornell has completed a study on the effectiveness of TerraCyte on bentgrass greens and Mark Mahady of Mahady and Associates in Carmel Valley, Calif., studied TerraCyte on Poo. Both studies came to the conclusion that TerraCyte in conjunction with cultural practices and following a program from BioSafe Systems does kill moss. These results were discussed at the seminar.

This article seems to only state the fact that moss is a problem and why courses get moss. It doesn’t really offer any solutions.

Sincerely,
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SISIS lays claim to award

To the Editor,

I read Kevin Ross’ report on new products from the GCSAA Show (GCN, March 2002) with great interest and enjoyment.

However, I would like to register our claim to one of Ross’ awards, “Imitation is the best form of flat-tery,” that he gave to the Graden de-thatcher/verticutter. That product is a worthy recipient of many accolades I am sure, but not this one.

SISIS introduced their first verticutter/de-thatcher in 1950, patented the principle of contrarotation in 1964, and developed deep linear aeration in the 1970s with the Auto-Rotorake Mark 1. The Rotorake 600 is the latest in the SISIS Rotorake family.

Sincerely,
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