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Sampling of How It Works:
Topic: Degree Days (1 of 4)
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From: Jack MacKenzie,
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Date: Tues., May 07, 2002 06:22 a.m.

Do any of you keep track of them? And if so, where are we and what do you use them for?

— Jack MacKenzie
North Oaks Golf Club

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From: Kevin Clunis, kctbrook@earthlink.net
Date: Wed., May 08, 2002 06:52 a.m.

I use to keep track when I was back at SCC. Have not needed to during all the construction I have gone thru the past few years. Talk to the good doctor John, he keeps track of all the phenological activities since his beginning at the WBYC.

— Kevin Clunis

Topic: Degree Days (3 of 4)
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From: Jeff Johnson, pepperdgirl@aol.com
Date: Wed., May 08, 2002 08:19 a.m.

Can someone explain how GDD is calculated? I used to know but have not done it for a long time. In the latest TurfNet Rossi talks about the importance of timing for applications of embark for seedhead suppression of poa annua based on 50 GDD. Knowing the GDD would help for these critical timing applications.

— Jeff Johnson

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From: Kevin Clunis kctbrook@earthlink.net
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Jeff:

GDD is the sum of the high and low for the day, divide by 2 for the ave. and then subtract from 50. Example would be high of 70 and a low of 40 would equal 110 divide by 2 is 55 less 50 equals a GDD of 5. Cumulate daily. If the ave is less than 50, use 0. There has been talk of using other numbers less than 50 for the baseline of other plant development. Hope that helps.

— Kevin Clunis

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