

PEER-TO-PEER: BETTER TURF THROUGH NETWORKING

MGCSA members were asked: Considering the loss of PCNB late last summer, many turf professionals changed up their snow mold chemistry programs. What worked at your course?

We still had PCNB last year and our program was 9oz pcnb and 4oz cloroneb had great luck at **Eastwood Golf Course** but not so good at **Soldiers Field** where we had a fair amount of snowmold – waiting for results from others to figure out what to use this year. - Jeff Minske, Eastwood Golf Course, Soldiers Field

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At **NorthlandCountry Club**, our snow mold protection was as follows:

Greens (11/2) and Fairways (11/2 and 11/3): Interface (Trifloxystrobin and Iprodione) @ 4oz/M and Triton (triticonazole) @ .3oz/M. Fairways and greens both got the same rate. Greens were sprayed at 2 gallons/M and Fairways at 1.5 gallons/M. No damage on greens from what I have seen and fairways show a little bit of breakthrough on our top holes. These holes had nearly 150 days of cover. The lower holes which had 20-30 days less cover show no breakthrough. Tees (11/1 &



The Pines at Grand View Lodge, Nisswa

11/12): Tartan (Trifloxystrobin and Triadimefon) @ 2.13oz/M and Chlorothalonil @ 6.4 oz/M. Tees applications were made at 2 gallons/M. This is the third season we have used this program on tees and I have yet to see any snowmold breakthrough. - Chris Tritabaugh, Northland CC

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Last Fall we put down Instrata fungi-

cide at 11 oz/m on our greens at both **The Pines and The Preserve**. We tank mixed Civitas at 7.35 oz/m and ferrous sulfate at 1 oz/m. We use air induction nozzles at 65 gallons of water per acre. The photo at the left shows how good the greens came through and the great color we have as the snow melted. The greens look as though they were under covers all Winter. On fairways we used Instrata at 9oz/m and had excellent results. - Mike Bohnenstingl, Grand View Lodge

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The last two years, wherever the sprayer missed, we had snowmold at Somerset. Our tees are slightly wider than the sprayer leaving a check, it was mostly gray snowmold this year that took it right down to the crown. On greens, we didn't have any break through. We used up wetting agent on Oct. 10 (Revolution 6 oz./1000). On Oct. 22 we sprayed

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Headway for take-all-patch (2.74 oz./1000) then on Nov. 8 we sprayed Instrata at 9.7oz./1000. All applications were made with 2.3 gallons of water/1000 using flat fan air-induction nozzles. The tees didn't have any break through either. They were sprayed once on November 8 using 2.3 gallons of water/1000. They received Chipco GT 4 oz./1000; Tourney (DMI) 0.34 oz./1000 and Daconil 3.3 oz./1000. The fairways had slight break through in certain areas but not much. They were sprayed twice. On fairways we use 2 gal. of water/1000. On Oct. 31 they received Banner 1 oz./1000 with Chipco GT 4 oz./1000. Then on Nov. 8 we sprayed 5.5 oz./1000 of Daconil. The green came through the winter very well, we topdress heavy, drag it in and put down Sustane (2-3-3) with the spreaders wide open. One interesting observation is that the Organic Fertilizer gets pulled up into the ice at some point during the winter. - James Bade, Somerset Country Club



Somerset Country Club, Mendota Heights

FUNGICIDE TREATMENT COMBINATIONS ON DISPLAY AT SNOW MOLD FIELD DAY



Pictured from the left are, P. J. Liesch, UW-Madison; Andrew Hollman, University of Minnesota; Paul Kock, UW-Madison, and Jim Kerns, UW-Madison.

The University of Minnesota in collaboration with the University of Wisconsin-Madison offered a Snow Mold Field Day on April 12 at the University of Minnesota Les Bolstad Golf Course. Over 50 fungicide treatment combinations were displayed.

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