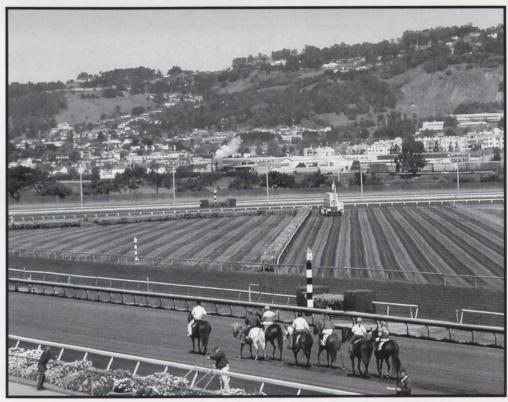
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## A Day At The Races

On March 27th, LESCO and Golden Gate Fields sponsored "A Day at the Races." Golden Gate Fields' Superintendent of Turfgrass, Mr. Jason Spetnagel and LESCO's Gary Ingram co-hosted the event. It was attended by a number of GCSANC Superintendents and Golden Gate Fields staff. Jason gave a talk about the turfgrass racetrack and shared some of the challenges managing his turf. The turf is run across by groups of twelve hundred pound athletes at thirty-five miles per hour for 100 races in about 120 days...Ouch!

Greg Nafftz of Sustane, Mike Carpenter of Nutrical, and Bill Blackman also gave presentations providing attendees with three hours of continuing education units.

Most participants stayed after lunch to watch and wager on some of the races. It is rumored that GCSANC member Tracy Shannahan of Saratoga Country Club came away a BIG winner on one race. The Day at the Races was a great way for superintendents to get in some continuing education and have a little fun along the way.



Horses and jockeys led to the gate at Golden Gate Fields



Bruce Kidd of CA Weed Science Society gave a talk on Weed Science at the USGA/NCGA Conference