SFMANJ Has a Busy Summer in 2008

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Sports Turf Managers Association held a regional educational event and field day at Lincoln Financial Field (home of the Philadelphia Eagles) and Citizens Bank Park (home of the Phillies) on June 27, 2008. Six STMA-affiliated chapters supported the program: the Keystone Athletic Field Managers Organization (KAFMO); Sports Field Managers Association of New Jersey (SFMANJ); Sports Turf Managers of New York (STMONY); Chesapeake Chapter of STMA; Virginia Sports Turf Managers Association (VSTMA) and New England Sports Turf Managers Association (NESTMA).

Emcee Dan Douglas from the KAFMO chapter, kept the more than 160 attendees moving to the various events throughout the day. Dr. John Sorochan, University of Tennessee, started the program with a presentation about how new bermudagrass can successfully be grown in the transition zone. He also presented cool season turf management later in the day.

Jeff Fowler, Penn State Extension, challenged attendees to make personal changes to help them be better sports turf managers during his ‘7 Habits of Highly Effective Sports Turf Managers’ presentation.

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