GCSAA Conference Schedule

The 53rd International Golf Course Superintendents Association of America's Turfgrass Conference and Show in New Orleans, January 30 — February 5, is chock full of events, seminars and meetings. The following is Weeds Trees & Turf's guide to what is happening and when it is being held.

Monday, February 1
7:30 Prayer Meeting
9:00 Opening Session — Keynote Address
10:30 Newsletter Editors' Reception
11:00 Press & Speakers' Luncheon
12:00 Spouses' Opening Luncheon
1:00 Water Symposium I
1:00 Distributor Show Review
2:30 Spouses' CPR
4:30 Meet The Candidates
5:30 Mardi Gras Reception

Tuesday, February 2
7:30 New Member Orientation
9:00 Ribbon Cutting Ceremony
9:30 Certification Committee Meeting
10:00 Spouses' Tours
11:00 Membership: Long-Range Planning Briefing
12:00 Voting Delegates' Luncheon
1:00 Water Symposium II
3:00 Membership: Long-Range Planning Briefing
6:00 EAC Dinner Meeting

Wednesday, February 3
7:30 President's Council Breakfast
9:00 USGA Green Section Program
9:00 Spouses' Program
10:30 Spouses' Program
12:00 Education Committee Luncheon Meeting
1:00 USGA Green Section continues
3:00 GCSAA Annual Meeting
6:00 President's Reception (By Invitation)

Thursday, February 4
7:30 Executive Committee Breakfast
9:00 E.F. Hutton
10:15 Thinking Superintendent
10:15 Course Drainage
11:00 Putting Green Speed
1:30 Communications
2:00 Show Officially Closes
2:45 Thinking Superintendent
2:45 Tree Management
2:45 Golf Cart Management
4:30 IRC Meeting
6:00 Banquet Reception
7:00 GCSAA Annual Banquet & Show

Friday, February 5
9:30 Superdome Tour

GCSAA publishes its Proceedings of the show each year. If you must miss the conference, write GCSAA for the 1982 Proceedings, GCSAA Director of Education, 1617 St. Andrews Drive, Lawrence, KS 66044.

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Engel noted that the three pound rate, especially when applied in late April, was effective. "Ronstar G is one of the most effective preemergent herbicides," said Engel. Indyk reported that previous complaints of poor results with Ronstar G were traced to improper technique of application. "It stands alone in the treatment of goosegrass," added Indyk.

GOVERNMENT

New lawn mower regulation approved

Yielding to an order from Congress, the Consumer Product Safety Commission has rewritten its regulation on power lawn mowers. Due to the new regulation, the mower's engine will shut off whenever the operator is not holding the handle. This makes it virtually impossible for an operator to get his hand caught in the mower blade yet adds the inconvenience of restarting the engine repeatedly.

The Outdoor Power Equipment Institute lobbied for the new regulation over a 1979 version. The earlier version would have required the blade to stop without killing the engine when the operator lets go of the handle. OPEI noted that that version would have added $60 to mower prices.

TURF

Grounds managers turn out for PGMS conference

The Pacific Northwest was the site for the 69th annual conference and trade show of the Professional Grounds Management Society and the more than 140 attendees made the most of both the Portland, OR locale and the conference program.

Many of the grounds managers attending played the host city for all it was worth—visiting Mt. St. Helens, the International Rose Test Gardens and Japanese Gardens and some of Portland's commercial nursery operations. While the number of attendees was down slightly from years past, the enthusiasm and involvement of this year's group more than compensated.

Seminars were divided into three sections—management, design and technical—and all were well-attended. Sandra Entrekin, Interact Resource and Development Center, and Dr. Roy Goss, Washington State University, proved to be two of the most popular speakers. Entrekin's talk on "From the