

Photos of the University of Illinois Turf Field Day

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Peter Leuzinger and Randy Wahler, two alumni from the university, put together a bus trip to the Turf Field Day at the University of Illinois in Urbana on August 21. There were 33 on the bus from all facets of the green industry: superintendents; sales, tree nursery, landscaping people; and others interested in the field day and the university. Next year, I think we may need two buses for everyone seemed to be pleased with the day and certainly liked "leave the driving to others."

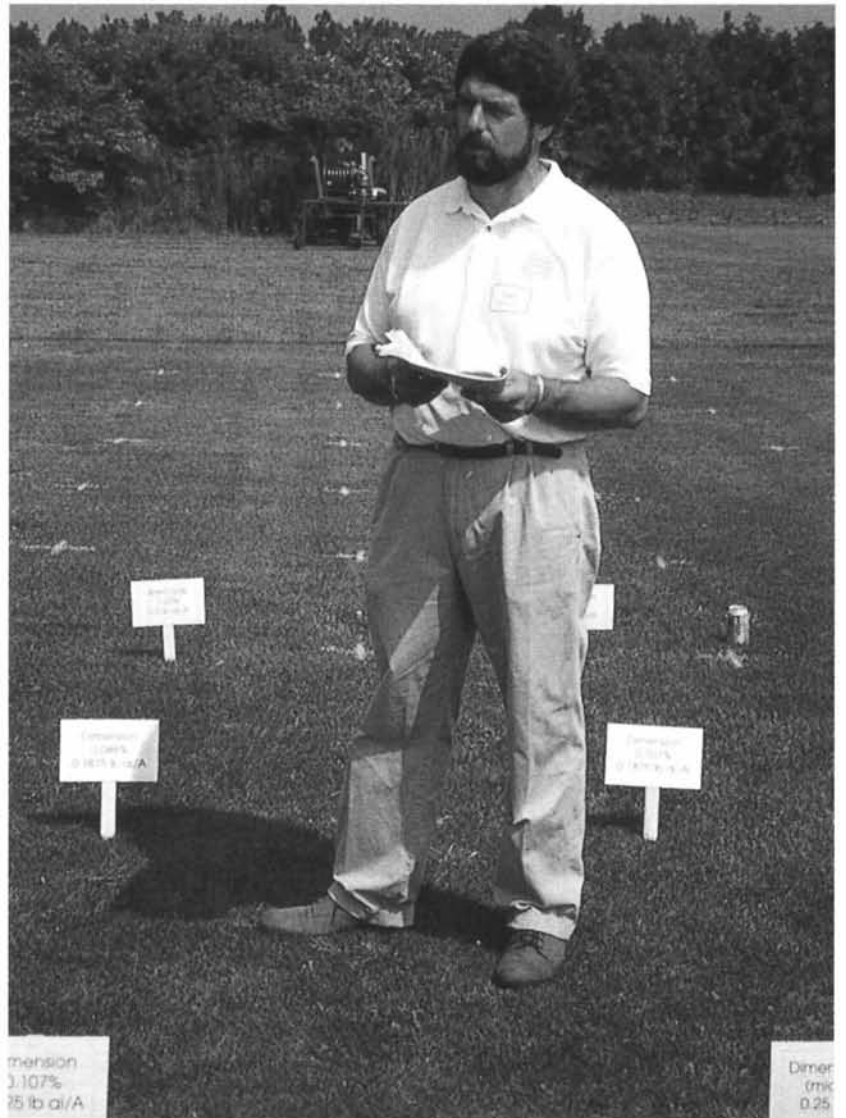
The staff at U of I did an outstanding job in presenting their studies and tests. Of course, all of the doctors get the credit, but we all know the grunts (grad and undergrad students) did the real work. ■



We had to kick Oscar Miles and Peter Leuzinger off the bus due to the "No Smoking" rule.



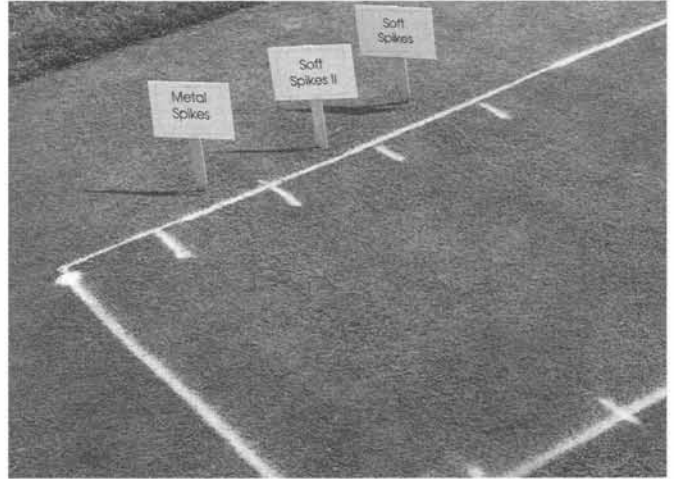
"The group who decided to take the bus—all 33 of them. Arthur Clesen, Inc. provided the refreshments on the bus.



Dr. Tom Fermanian explaining the difference with pre-emergence herbicide treatments.



Dr. Bruce Branham showing the wear trials of spike vs. spikeless golf shoes.



A student was paid to walk up and down each section for 25 trips with a different style of spike or spikeless shoes every day. The soft spike golf shoe did the least damage. Photo by John Meyer.



Dr. Randy Kane explaining the various bents being tested.



Dr. Tom Voigt discussing trial blocks of Kentucky bluegrass. There are some really good looking ones coming in the future.