

# Letters to the Editor

Dear Ms. Jones:

I enjoyed reading your article titled "Bentgrass 101" in the winter edition of "The Florida Green." As a worldwide producer and marketer of many different bentgrasses, I found your story both educational and informative.

However, I would like to bring to your attention an oversight in your story. In your paragraph on redtop, you stated the use of redtop has declined. Quite to the contrary, redtop usage has increased substantially, with prices higher than they have ever been in previous years.

You also stated that few cultivars have been developed and none are commercially available. This is incorrect. We market a variety called "Streaker" redtop which is an improved redtop sold only as certified seed. A great number of additional acres are planted each year trying to meet the continued high demand. Streaker is primarily used in erosion, pasture and revegetation sites. However, the increased demand for Streaker has become prevalent in the Southern overseeding market (primarily Florida) where Streaker is used in overseeding dormant bermudagrass on golf course putting greens.

I would be happy to have an article authored by Dr. Doug Brede, formerly with Oklahoma State University, and currently Research Director, Jacklin Seed Company, for your publication. This article would include performance data and pictures of Streaker redtop in turf situations.

If I can be of further assistance in providing you with a redtop article, please don't hesitate to call.

Thank you for your time and interest in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Gayle Jacklin-Ward  
Jacklin Seed Company

Dear Irene:

The funeral message wasn't in manuscript form before I delivered it, and we failed to tape it! So, the article was written from my memory of what I had said and I'm sure it wasn't exactly the same as the sermon preached from the pulpit.

Bill was the kind of person about whom you could say so many good things, so, for the funeral I had written down a few thoughts and elaborated on them.

Tell Dan hello.

Sincerely,

Bob Case, Minister  
The First United Methodist Church  
of Jupiter - Tequesta

Dear Dan:

Enclosed is an announcement for our Texas Turfgrass Field Day scheduled for August 10, 1988 at the Dallas Center. Please place the announcement in Florida Green or list the field day and date in the announcements for upcoming meetings.

I hope you will be able to schedule a trip to Dallas for our field day and I look forward to seeing you.

Your assistance is appreciated.

Sincerely,

James A. Reinert  
Resident Director of Research  
and Professor of Entomology

Dear Dan:

Just a quick note to thank you for your help at the Prayer Breakfast. The scriptures were good! From some of the comments I heard I think it went well. We'll be starting on next year's program soon, hope we can fit things together soon enough for the "Florida Green" this year. My regards to your family.

The Lord's peace to you.

John Ebel  
GCS Christian Prayer  
Breakfast Committee

Dear Dan:

Thank you for The Florida Green. It could not have arrived at a better time. As I mentioned previously the growing conditions in the Emirates are similar to Florida. Discussions were in progress about the possibility of using Bentgrass for overseeding. The material in this issue gave the people here a much better understanding of the complexity of the overseeding operation.

The reading material enclosed, regarding my Club, might be of interest to you. Again, thank you for the magazine.

Yours truly,

Kerry W. Son  
Golf Course Superintendent  
Emirates Golf Club  
Dubai, United Arab

Dear Dan:

Enclosed please find results from an overseeding trial conducted by Dr. Dudeck. I thought you might be interested in seeing these results.

You may want to include a portion of it in your next issue of Florida Green.

Sincerely,

LOFTS INC.

Dr. Richard Hurley  
Vice President  
Director of Research & Agronomy

## EDITOR'S NOTE

*We are printing the article submitted by Dr. Richard Hurley and Gayle Jacklin-Ward on comparison of Overseeded Grasses for Putting Greens. The article can be found on page 70.*