

# SECOND ANNUAL WTA FIELD DAY: TWO IMPRESSIONS

## WTA FIELD DAY BEST EVER

*By Tom Harrison*

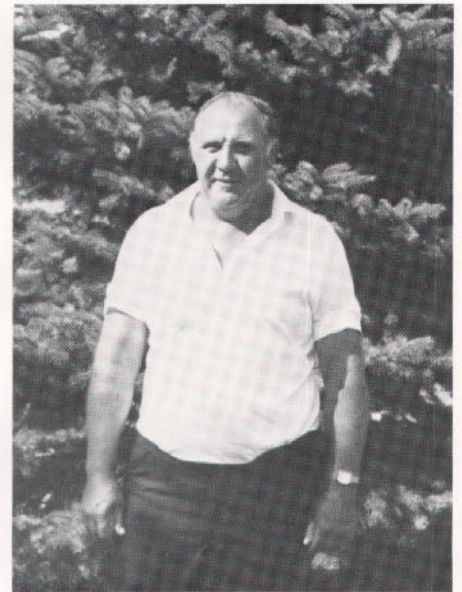
The Wisconsin Turfgrass Association held its 2nd Annual Field Day August 27, 1984 at the Oconomowoc Country Club. Over 250 turf professionals attended the popular late summer event. Visitors from seven midwestern states and as far away as Canada and California attended. WTA board member, Ed Devinger, was in charge of the day's activities and with the assistance of host superintendent Harvey Miller everyone had a very enjoyable day.

Turf equipment and irrigation demonstrations kept everyone interested throughout the day. The equipment was spread over five acres giving everyone a chance to see and test everything present. Dr. Gayle Worf, U.W. extension plant pathologist; Dr. Dan Mahr, extension entomologist; and Dr. Robert Newman, extension horticulturist, also were in attendance to discuss turf problems with the day's participants. Dr. Worf had extensive turf test plots for everyone to view. His work, planned in Feb. of '84, laid out and started in May of '84 and carefully tended throughout the summer was filled with valuable test data on many new products as well as updated information on many current materials.

The day was a tremendous success for everyone in attendance, suppliers, researchers and the WTA. Next year's field day is already in the planning stages with the hope that everyone will keep a day free to attend this interesting and informative event.



Coring demonstration.



Host Harvey Miller



Dr. Worf explains 1984 field trials at Oconomowoc CC.



WTA President Tom Harrison with Dr. Dan Mahr and Dr. Gayle Worf.





Dr. Bob Newman visits with Ric Lange, GCS of Reedsburg CC.



A full spectrum of equipment was available for inspection and demonstration.



Equipment was available for "hands on" use.



Panoramic view of group inspection of research plots.

## 1984 WTA SUMMER FIELD DAY

*By Ed Devinger*

The 2nd Annual WTA Summer Field Day was a huge success. Oconomowoc Country Club and Harvey Miller proved to be the perfect hosts for the August 27, 1984 event.

Despite the early weather problems (rain, hail, etc.), it cleared up around 8:00 A.M. and everything got rolling. Coffee and "home-made" sweet rolls were served as the people registered. At 10:00 A.M., Dr. Robert Newman gave a brief summary of what test plots there were to view. An aerification demonstration was held at 11:00 A.M. on the practice green. Lunch was served from 11:30-1:30 so it was not necessary to stand in line. After lunch, Dr. Gayle Worf gave his explanation of the extensive turf plots, on the #1 fairway, that he had been working on all season. It was evident that Dr. Gayle Worf spent many hours to set up the plots so that many products and combinations of products could be evaluated. Our thanks to Dr. Worf.

The attendance was 254 and the WTA wants to thank everyone for joining us. All of the comments were favorable. It appears that this is an annual event.

A very special WTA "THANK YOU" to each and every exhibitor. Without their support and participation, this type of field day would not be possible. Please thank them with your business.

Lastly, we are proud to announce that this event raised in excess of \$4,400.00 to support turfgrass research in Wisconsin.

**THANKS**