## Put These WTA Dates on Your Calendar

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The summer will be half over by I the time this issue of The Grass Roots reaches the bookstore shelves. It will be the perfect time to send in your registration for one or both of the spectacular Wisconsin Turfgrass Association summer events. Those are the Summer Field Day and the Fundraiser Golf Outing. During Field Day you can visit and learn about all the important research that is being conducted by University of Wisconsin-Madison turf researchers. Sooner or later you will need that information at your golf course. The Golf Fundraiser is a great way to enjoy a late season round of golf and help support some of that important turfgrass research that you'll see at Field Day through the Wisconsin Distinguished Graduate Fellowship Program.

The dates for the events are Tuesday, August 12th for Field Day, and Wednesday, October 8th for the Golf Fundraiser. The site for Field Day is always at the Noer Facility in Verona. The site for the golf outing is always different. We have been fortunate to play some of the state's finest golf venues over the years for this event.

This year will be no exception. Tony Rzadzki is the 2003 Fundraiser host at his brand new 'The Bull at Pinehurst Farms' in Sheboygan Falls. This Jack Nicklaus design course is receiving much acclaim from national golf writers and is one of the most anticipated new course openings this year. You may visit their website if you'd like to see the golf course. Go to www.golfthebull.com, hit the golf course layout button, and then go to the hole by hole



Site of the 2003 WTA Golf Fundraiser.

tour. You will be amazed at how beautiful the course is and you won't want to miss this opportunity to play it.

The registration form for the Golf Fundraiser was mailed out to all WTA members and was included in the spring issue of the

Wisconsin Turfgrass News and recent issues of The Grass Roots. Call Audra 608-845-6536 if you need another form or have questions. The Fundraiser sold out last year when it was hosted at Blackwolf Run and likely will sell out again this year. Again like last





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Lots of important questions get answered during jummer Field Day.

year almost all of your registration money will go to the cause. Tony found a way like Mike Lee did last year to work with the owners and keep fixed expenses low. About 75% of your registration fee will go to WDGF for turf research. You may give more to the cause and sponsor a golf hole or donate a door prize, which we hope you do likewise.

The registration form for the Summer Field Day was also mailed out in June. And August 12th will be here before you know it. We hope you can make it. You will be

greatly rewarded. Be sure to tell your peers and bring your crew.

Here are some of the highlights for the two events.

## Summer Field Day - Tuesday, August 12th, 2003, 'O.J. Noer Turfgrass Research and **Education Facility'**

- · Coffee, juice and donuts at morning registration.
- Between 8 to 10 presentations during the research tour.
- · Lunch that will make your mouth water.
- · Workshops.

- Ask-The-Expert period (oneon-one discussions with the researchers).
- Equipment demonstrations (on your own or with factory representatives).
- Huge trade show.
- Auction with \$200 cash drawing.
- All proceeds go to turf research at the UW-Madison to benefit your profession.
- Free registration to new WTA members.

## WTA Golf Fundraiser, Wednesday, October 8th, 2003, 'The Bull at Pinehurst Farms'

- Golf on Wisconsin's only Jack Nicklaus signature course.
- Great price and most of registration fee goes to turf research.
- Cart and Practice Range.
- · Lunch.
- Door prizes for everyone.
- · Golf prizes for some foursomes.



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