

WTA Summer Field Day - Don't Miss It

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The WTA Summer Field Day will be here before you know it. The date is set for Tuesday, July 30, 2013. This is a great opportunity to visit the O.J. Noer Facility and learn about all the new turfgrass research being conducted at the University. There are over 60 ongoing studies this summer and several of the most pertinent ones will be showcased during the research tours. The education will describe new turf maintenance findings to help all turf managers on their sports fields, golf courses, sod farms, lawn care sites, parks, and other commercial turf areas.

Comments from attendees of previous field days asked for longer discussions during the educational tour. This year's presentations by UW-Madison turf researchers promise to be more in-depth than in past years. Bring your questions and be ready to learn from the researchers about their latest findings. There will be education both in the morning and afternoon, with the morning focused on lawn care and general turf issues, and afternoon focused towards golf turf. Attendees will gather relevant information from both sessions.

The morning turf research updates include these topics and more:

- Rust management for sod and lawns
- Choosing the right nitrogen source for the job
- Grass selection and fertility influence on weed populations
- New strategies for broadleaf control
- Environmentally sound lawn management
- Pre and post drought turf management
- Controlling ants




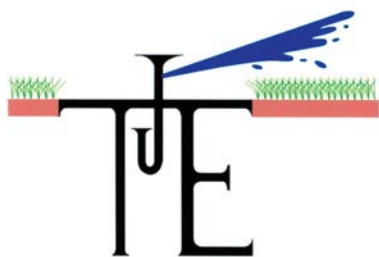
The afternoon golf turf research tour includes these topics and more:

- Spray volume affects on fungicide efficacy
- Fine fescue management
- Tools and technology for precision turf management
- Earthworm management in turf
- Wetting agent selection and application strategies
- Pigments and photochemical efficiency
- Chemical problems in putting green root zones

The education will be complemented by the ever popular summer field day tradeshow. Helpful vendors will offer expert advice about their latest equipment and supplies/services to help you manage your maintenance program better. Several equipment vendors allow test drives of their products so you can compare performance.

Summer Field Day is a great way to learn about the latest research coming from the UW-Madison, compare the newest commercial offerings from the trade show, and visit with colleagues over a great lunch. You will surely leave Field Day with many ideas to put into practice back home. Contact Audra Anderson, WTA administrative assistant, at 608-845-6536 or ajander2@wisc.edu if you have any questions.

Your Field Day brochure is included in this newsletter or may be downloaded from the WTA website, www.wisconsin-turfgrassassociation.org. You may also pay online from the website if so desired. Field Day 2013 is going to be the best ever, and we hope to see you there on July 30th. 



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Wisconsin Turfgrass Summer Field Day

Tuesday, July 30th 2013



at the O.J. Noer Turfgrass Research and Education Facility in Verona, WI



The O.J. Noer Facility in Verona is where you need to be on July 30th to learn all the latest turf management innovations coming out of the UW Madison. Morning research will focus on general turf research and afternoon will focus on golf turf research.

Research updates: Rust management, Choosing the right nitrogen source, Controlling weeds with fertility and grass species selection, Environmentally sound lawn management, Pre and post drought turf management, Earthworm and ant problems, Fungicide efficacy, Fine fescue management, Tools and technologies for turf management, Wetting agents, and So much more.



Former UW-Madison graduate student Bill Kreuser was recently hired as assistant professor at the Univ of Nebraska. He'll be returning to field day to talk about his latest research on pigments.



The trade show will have a huge variety of equipment and turf supplies/services to help you improve your maintenance program. Get expert advice from the many helpful exhibitors.

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