MGCSA AFFILIATE NEWS

Par Aide Practice Range Signs Designed To Go The Distance

Par Aide Products Co., St. Paul, has announced new, highly visible Practice Range Signs designed to be easily seen from distances up to 275 yards.

These heavy duty signs can be assembled to indicate distances in increments of 25 yards.

Constructed of thick, black rubber with molded-in white rubber numbers, these signs are as tough as semitruck mud flaps. Avaialble in a kit form, each of the eight combination kits contains three number flaps and a heavy gauge, black, powder coated steel frame. Ruggedly built to withstand the elements, the frame also moves easily for ball collecting and mowing. The numbers, measuring $11'' \ge 23''$ each, can be hung up to three panels across to indicate the desired distance. Individual numbers can also be purchased separately to modify yardage distance.

For further information about this product contact Par Aide Products Company at 612/779-9851.

MTI Expands Both Fargo And Plymouth Locations

MTI Distributing Company, the exclusive regional distributor of Toro products, announced the expansion of its Fargo and Plymouth locations. In Fargo, it has more than doubled its yard capacity and fenced area, adding substantially to its capabilities for storage, moving of equipment, and the presentation of used equipment. The outside used, demo and new equipment lot is now directly accessible from a newly installed doorway in the inside display area. This inside area has been completely remodeled for easier viewing and customer comfort.

MTI's Plymouth location has also added to its facility. Now offered is an outside used equipment office and a heated indoor display area for winter viewing. MTI is currently operating under expanded hours for the summer season.

MTI also announces that Randy Mackeben has joined MTI in the newly created position of Director of Customer Support Services. Randy's role will be to assist and coordinate the flow of service administration, with a lot of attention to primary customer contact, customer satisfaction issues and pursuit of better ways to organize, track and improve the entire flow of service functions.

"We believe the addition of Randy Mackeben in this position will help MTI to improve and expand its customer support services," said MTI General Manager Jim Kaufman. "We're pleased to have Randy on board, and we feel he is an outstanding addition to our team."

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Leitner Company Has New Crumb Rubber Top Dressing

Crown III Crumb Rubber Top Dressing is now distributed in Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota by the Leitner Company, St. Paul.

Ninety tons of Crown III Crumb Rubber Top Dressing (made from recycled tires) is being installed on the football field at the newly constructed stadium at East Central High School in Tulsa, Okla.

The resulting turf reportedly will have a consistency and resiliency which will reduce the chances of injuries to athletes, reduce soil compaction, reduce abrasion to the grass blade, extend the growth season in both the spring and fall and reduce water evaporation.

The use of crumb rubber as a top dressing was researched and patented at Michigan State University. Internationally marketed under the trade name Crown III starting in 1994, the product has over 300 installed sites and claims to have won the respect of turf industry professionals for its ability to reduce or eliminate turf grass wear.

Call Mike Leitner at (612) 291-2655 for more information.

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