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Maryland Turfgrass Field Day

Maryland's first turfgrass research and equipment field day will take place this month on August 8th at the University of Maryland's Hopkins Plant Research Farm. This farm is located near Fairland (MONT. COUNTY) on Calverton Road. Program activities will run from 10 AM to 4 PM. Box lunches will be available at a student operated concession stand.

Sponsoring agencies include Maryland Universities, Dept. of Agronomy and Agriculture Engineering working jointly with the Maryland Turfgrass Council. Tentative plans are to have a tour of the research plots in the morning and equipment on display in the afternoon. A large turn out from our association is expected to take this opportunity to see the Universities Turf farm. This is not another Beltsville field day. Remember the date "AUGUST 8th."

A Noted Author

Dr. Douglas Hawes, Instructor at the University of Maryland's Institute of Applied Agriculture, is currently writing a textbook on turf grasses. This material should be completed in time for use in the fall semester classes at Maryland. Public availability will be noted in the newsletter.

Correspondence



Dear Craig,

Wanted to send you the survey back, don't know if you'll be able to use it or not but thought you might be interested in what's going on out here. The course is in good shape for as new as it is. The front nine was opened for play on June 21. The back will be open July 28. The grass is thin in the fairways but greens and tees are good.

We have 37 people on the crew, about one half are girls and they work as hard (or harder) than the guys. The labor market for the entire United States is here in Steamboat, I bet I turn 6-8 people a day down who are looking for jobs.

I sprayed 1991 yesterday on the greens. It is the first time I've sprayed this year! How bout that! And we had a frost yesterday A.M. Not bad for the fourth of July. We've got about two and a half more months of playing left then we'll get into some snow. We had 267 inches of snow last winter from Oct. 29—April 25. When I say "Course Closed"—its closed! Well gotta go. Tell everyone HI!

Denny McCammon

EDITOR FOOTNOTE! Denny is holding the Rocky Mountain GCSAA annual fall outing this fall at Steamboat. With his facilities, which include such sports as horseback riding, fishing in one of the 900 miles of streams, tennis, swimming, backpacking, camping, the river sports of rafting and tubing, and of course, golf; Denny should have a large successful outing. We should solicit Denny to host next years Mid-Atlantic picnic. Sure would like to go tubing down the river in an old tire tube!!

Denny mentioned in the April issue of the RMGCSA Reporter that "As of April 25th we still had 24-30 inches of snow remaining of the course." "At this point, even diseased grass would be a welcome sight." Shall we send Denny some fresh pythium?



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