Sports Turf Tour

Sunday February 1, 1987 we have arranged for a great tour of sports facilities in the Phoenix area. Tickets must be purchased in advance (\$12) to reserve a space on the bus. The following is the schedule of tour stops:

8:30 a.m. Board Tour Buses at Hyatt-Regency Hotel

9:00 a.m. Arizona State University-Visit Sun Devil Stadium (site of Fiesta Bowl), Packard Stadium, Softball Field, Tempe

10:45 a.m. Chicago Cubs Spring Training Sites, Mesa Parks Department-Mesa

12:30 p.m. Compadre Park-Winter home of the Milwaukee Brewers-Lunch Courtesy of Western Sod, Inc., and A-G Sod Farms. Tour of stadium, demonstration of maintenance techniques, discussion of sod production in Arizona.

2:30 p.m. Return to Phoenix Civic Plaza to visit the largest indoor turfgrass trade show.

Deadline for Reservations: January 20, 1987

UNUSUAL JOBS

Don Marshall cheers like any other Angels Fan when Reggie Jackson slides across home plate. But he also flinches a little.

As golf course operations manager for the city of Anaheim, it hurts when he sees his manicured turf torn by cleats. Yet that's the name of the game. Whether it is baseball, football, rugby, motocross or rock concerts, Marshall makes sure the grassy stage is set.

"Professional stadiums have the use and abuse of turf down to a science," says Marshall, scrutinizing his two-and-a-half acre domain. "The highest level of turf grass maintenance seems to lag far behind other areas like parks, highways and golf courses because of the unusual demands made upon it."

Marshall, who is also caretaker for Anaheim Hills and H.G. "Dad" Miller golf courses, has been keeping grass happy for 30 years, ever since studying agrostology—the science of fine turf—at the (Continued on Back Page - "JOBS")

DON'T MISS THE SUPER SPORTS WEEK AT THE HYATT-REGENCY JANUARY 31 - FEBRUAR

SPORTS TURF MANAGER'S CONFERENCE "Safer Sports Turf Through Education"

Saturday, January 31, 1987

MORNING SESSION CHAIRMAN — Mark Hodnick, STMA Treasurer

7:15 a.m. On-Site Registration — Hyatt Regency Hotel 8:00 a.m. Kick-off Time - Welcome and Introductions 10:15 a.m. Steve Wightman, STMA President Dr. Kent Kurtz, STMA Executive Secretary 8:10 a.m. Working Together for the Future of Sports Turf Dr. Fred Grau, Chair, National Sports Turf Council An Overview of Sports Turf in the Southwest Dr. William R. Kneebone, Professor Emeritus, 10:55 a.m. What is Considered a Safe Field? University of Arizona

8:50 a.m. The Real Economics of Athletic Field Construction Dr. Henry Indyk, Turf Extension, Rutgers University 9:20 a.m. Breeding for the Future of Sports Turf Dr. William Meyer, Director of Research, Turf Seed, Inc.

9:40 a.m. Sports Turf Management: Cosmetic or Cultural? Tom Masçaro, Turf Consultant, North Miami, Florida

10:00 a.m. Time out - Coffee Break Images of Grief: Sad, Haunting and Courageous Heide Aungst, Associate Editor, WEEDS, TREES & TURF with Jeff Wishard, Davis, Illinois

Developing a Standard for Sports Turf Surfaces Using Impact Absorption Techniques
Dan Holland, Attorney at Law, Eugene, Oregon

Dr. James Watson, Vice President, The Toro Company The Steps Necessary Toward Achieving a Safer Sports Turf — G R A S S 11:15 a.m.

Dr. Eliot Roberts, Director, The Lawn Institute 11:40 a.m. State of the Art Sports Turf and More Dr. William H. Danlel, Turfgrass Services, Inc

12:00 Noon Half time - Lunch on your own

AFTERNOON CONCURRENT SESSION I

1:30 p.m. Step by Step Baseball Field Construction

Session Chairman - David Frey, Past President, STMA

Charles Lindstrom, Charles Lindstrom & Associates

BASEBALL FIELD SESSION

Special Techniques in Preparing a Baseball Infield — Roger Bossard, Head Groundskeeper, Chicago White Sox Baseball Club Special Techniques in Maintaining Baseball Field Turf — Sam Newpher, Jr., Grounds Superintendent, Atlanta Braves Baseball Club Improvements and Renovation of a Baseball Facility -Harry Gill, Grounds Director Milwaukee Brewers Baseball Club

SOCCER & FOOTBALL FIELD SESSION

3:10 p.m. From a Mud Clay Pit to a Notorious Soccer Field and Thoughts on Soil Warming — John Souter, Souter of Stirling, Scotland 3:30 p.m. Managing a Soccer Showcase with Premium

Soccer Fields — Gary Fichter, Park Superintendent, Ann Arbor, Michigan 3:50 p.m. Preparing London's Wembley Stadium for

American Football — Sam Monson, Facility Supervisor, Minnesota Vikings Football Club 4:10 p.m. Maintaining a Division I University Sports Turf Facility — Robert Hudzik, Athletic Fields & Golf Course Supervisor, Penn State University

4:30 p.m. Overtime - Short Break 4:45 p.m. STMA Annual Business Meeting. 7:30 p.m. STMA Banquet, Keynote Speaker, Special Awards Program

AFTERNOON CONCURRENT SESSION II

2:50 p.m. Time out - Coffee Break

Session Chairman - William Wrobel, STMA Marketing & Advertising Advisor

SPECIALIZED SPORTS TURF & DRAINAGE SESSION

1:30 p.m. A Special Look at Lawn Bowling, Lawn Tennis,

Croquet and More — Dr. Richard Skogley, Professor of Agronomy, University of Rhode Island The Rigors of Maintaining Synthetics Plus the Joy of Establishing New Lawn Bowling Greens — Kenneth Mrock, Superintendent of Golf Courses, Chicago Park District 2:10 p.m. Engineered Drainage Systems for Sports Turf -Geofrey Davison, Davison International Assoc., England 2:30 p.m. Specialized Drainage of Sports Fields — David Heiss, President, Turf Services, Inc.

2:50 p.m. Time out - Coffee Break

EQUESTRIAN SURFACES & SPORTS TURF HERBICIDES

3:10 p.m. The Sport of Polo and the Mangement of its - James Mello, Agronomist, Nice 'N Green Plant Food Company 3:30 p.m. Turf Race Tracks - The Grasses Used and the Maintenance Required — Ervin Malin, Grounds Superintendent, Canterbury Downs Race Track 3:50 p.m. Research on Turf Race Courses and Other Equestrian Tracks — Arthur Read President, Omnisports, Inc., Canada The Mode of Action in Herbicides Used on Sports Turf -4:10 p.m. Dr. B. J. Johnson, Professor of Agronomy,

University of Georgia 4:30 p.m. Ovetime - Short Break 4:45 p.m. STMA Annual Business Meeting

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