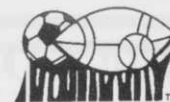


Sports Turf Happenings



Chapter Events

WELCOME TO STMA'S NEWEST AFFILIATED CHAPTER:

The Northern California Sports Turf Managers Association has completed all requirements for affiliation and was officially recognized as an affiliated chapter by the STMA Board at the November 14th - 15th, 1997, Board Meeting.

The Northern California Chapter is in the process of planning its schedule of events. Details will be announced soon. For general information about the Nor-Cal STMA Chapter, contact Gail Setka at the UC Davis Grounds Office at (916) 752-5035 or Fax at (916) 752-9631.

Florida Chapter #1: STMA

The Florida # 1 Chapter will meet December 10th from 8:30 AM to 1 PM at the University of Miami in South Miami. The topic for this meeting is turfgrasses for sports fields.

The Florida Chapter # 1: STMA will assist the newly forming Florida Chapter #2 in hosting STMA's 9th Annual Conference & Exhibition "Meeting the Challenges" to be held January 14 - 18, 1998, at Disney's Coronado Springs Resort and Disney's Wide World of Sports™ complex in Orlando, Florida. For information on the Conference, contact STMA Headquarters at (800) 323-3875. For information on the December event, other pending activities, or the Florida Chapter, contact: John Mascaro at (954) 938-7477.

Colorado Chapter

The Colorado Chapter: STMA will again participate in the Rocky Mountain Regional Turfgrass Association (RMRTA) Annual Turf Conference and Trade Show. This event will be held December 10 - 12, 1997, at Currihan Hall in Downtown Denver. For more information on this event, call 303/770-2220.

For information on the Colorado Chapter and other upcoming activities, call the 24-Hour CSTMA Chapter Hotline/FAX: (303) 438-9645.

Minnesota Chapter:STMA

As part of the Minnesota Turf & Grounds Foundation, The Minnesota Chapter: STMA will take part in the MTGF 4th Annual Conference and Trade Show which will be held December 10 - 12, 1997, at the Minneapolis Convention Center.

Targeted specifically for sports turf managers are: the December 11th morning session titled Environmental Issues Relative to Athletic Fields with the topics - "Minimize Pesticide Use Through Healthy Turfgrass Management" and IPM Management for Athletic Fields both presented by Steve Wightman and "Cultural Weed Control" presented by George Hamilton; the December 11th afternoon session titled Sports Facilities with topics - "The Five Most Common Mistakes in Sports Turf Management and Their Solutions," by Dr. Dave Minner, "Managing the Cyclones Stadium Football Field," by Mike Andresen, and "New Advances in Sports Turf," by Dr. Dave Minner, and the December 12th morning session titled Sports with topics - "Managing Football and Soccer Fields: High and Low Budgets," and "Selecting and Managing Skin Areas for Baseball and Softball," both presented by Dr. Dave Minner. For more information on this event contact: Scott Turtinen at 612/473-8169. For information on the Minnesota Chapter, or other

upcoming activities, contact: Connie Rudolph at (612) 646-1679.

Keystone Athletic Field Managers Organization (KAFMO Chapter STMA)

The KAFMO Chapter's Chemical Clinic II will be held in Morgantown, PA, on December 12th. This clinic will feature seminars on sprayer calibration and control products.

On January 8th, KAFMO will participate in the Eastern Pennsylvania Turf Conference and Trade Show held in Valley Forge, PA. Athletic field sessions have been expanded to go along with the always impressive trade show. For information on these events, other upcoming activities, or the KAFMO Chapter STMA, contact: Dan Douglas, Reading Phillies Baseball Club, at (610) 375-8469, ext. 212.

Southern California Chapter:STMA

The Southern California Chapter will hold a December Pesticide Workshop at MiraCosta College. There will be 8 hours of CEUs offered at this event.

Plan now to attend a Super Bowl Seminar in early January at Qualcomm Stadium, the site of the 1998 Super Bowl. Further details on these December and January events will be announced soon. For more information on these events or the Southern California Chapter contact: The Chapter Hotline: (888) 578-STMA (toll free in Southern California).

The Iowa Sports Turf Managers Association

The Iowa Chapter will again participate in the Iowa Turfgrass Conference which will be held January 26 - 28, 1998, at the Des Moines Convention Center. The Monday, January 26th, Sports Turf Workshop morning sessions include: "Winning Fields = Winning Teams," by Duane Banks; "Setting Up for Practice," by Mike McDonald; "Pattern Mowing," by Luke Yoder and Round Table Discussions - "Dealing with Soccer/Football on the Same Field and Heavy Use Fields," led by Gary Peterson; "Football/Soccer Painting (Rules, Techniques and Logos) led by Mike Andresen; "Fertility/Soil Sampling," led by Ron Cooker; "Baseball/Softball Mound & Homeplate Maintenance," led by Luke Yoder; "Picking an Infield Mix," led by Jesse Cuevas; and "Football/Soccer Goalmouth Maintenance," led by Kevin Vos. The afternoon session of this Workshop is a combined Golf Course/Sports
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Turf session of Selecting Sands and Soil Modification presented by Dr. Jim Crum.

The Sports Turf Session on Tuesday afternoon includes: "Crumb Rubber," presented by Dr. Jim Crum; "Landscaping Your Complex," by Ron Cooker; "Aeration: Not Just for Compaction Relief," by Jesse Cuevas and, at 3:00 PM, the ISTMA Annual Membership Meeting.

The Sports Turf Session on Wednesday morning includes: "Ten Tips for Managing Fields on a Limited Budget," pre-

sented by Dr. Dave Minner; "I'm Not the Boss, What Are My Responsibilities?" by Jeff Salmond and "Managing and Its Role," by Mike Burt.

For more information on this event, the Iowa Chapter or other upcoming activities, contact: Lori Westrum at The Turf Office at (515) 232-8222 (phone) or (515) 232-8228 (fax).

MAFMO Chapter

The MAFMO Chapter will be co-sponsoring the Sports Turf Sessions with the

Maryland Turfgrass Council at "Turfgrass '98" which will be held January 12th and 13th, 1998, at the Baltimore Convention Center.

For information on this event, the MAFMO Chapter, or other upcoming activities, contact the Hotline: (410) 290-5652.

Midwest Chapter: STMA

For information on the Midwest Chapter or pending activities, call: The Chapter Hotline (847) 439-4727.

STMA Chapters on the Grow:

Mid-South Chapter STMA: The newly forming Mid-South Chapter of STMA held its first meeting on November 4th in Memphis, Tennessee. Dr. Mike Goatley, Mississippi State University, talked on Sports Turf Renovation and Management. Fourteen new members joined the Chapter. The next meeting will be held in mid-February, 1998. More details will be announced soon.

Members of the new Chapter will participate in the Tennessee Turfgrass Conference to be held January 4 - 7, 1998, in Nashville and in the Arkansas Turfgrass Conference to be held January 12-13, 1998, in Little Rock.

The Mid-South Chapter serves Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama, Arkansas, and parts of Louisiana, Missouri and Kentucky. For more information, contact: Chip Houmes at (901) 377-5081 or Jim Calhoun at (901) 755-1305.

Nevada: Plans are moving forward on the formation of a **Nevada Chapter of STMA**. For information on this developing Chapter, contact: Ibsen Dow, Phone (702) 649-1551.

Arizona: For information on the **Sports Turf Managers Association of Arizona** or upcoming events, contact: Bill Murphy, City of Scottsdale Parks and Recreation Department, at (602) 994-7954.

Great Plains Sports Turf Managers Association - The Great Plains STMA Chapter will hold a Seminar on February 26th at the Linwood Recreation Center in Wichita. More details will be announced soon. For information on this event, the Great Plains Sports Turf Managers Association or other upcoming activities, contact: Mark Schimming, City of Wichita, at (316) 337-9123.

Q: What do all of these teams have in common?

Oakland A's
Arizona Diamondbacks
University of Texas Longhorns
San Diego Chargers
University of Southern California Trojans
California Angels
Arizona State University Sun Devils
San Francisco 49'ers
San Diego State University Aztecs
San Francisco Giants
San Diego Padres
Los Angeles Dodgers
Oakland Raiders
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