

Sports Turf Happenings



Chapter Events

Tennessee Valley Sports Turf Managers Association (TVSTMA):

TVSTMA's Summer Educational Seminar will be held June 20th at Neyland Stadium of the University of Tennessee in Knoxville. Making presentations in the morning session are: Dr. Dave Minner and Mike Andresen, CSFM, both of Iowa State University; Darian Daily, Columbus Crew Major League Soccer Club; and Dr. Tom Samples and Bob Campbell, both of the University of Tennessee. Afternoon Workshops will be conducted by Dr. Alan Windham, on "Turf Diseases and Weed Identification;" by Dr. Frank Hale, on "Insects;" and by Bill Marbet, on "Evaluating Infield Soils." Vendor exhibits will be on display on the University of Tennessee football field from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Also planned is a July meeting at Vanderbilt in Nashville, Tennessee.

For information on the TVSTMA Chapter, or upcoming events, call Bill Marbet, Southern Athletic Fields, Inc., at 931-380-0023 or 800-837-8062.

Michigan Sports Turf Managers Association (MiSTMA):

MiSTMA will meet on June 21 at Okemos High School in Okemos, Michigan. Morning educational sessions will include "Professionalism and Certification," by Steve Trusty, STMA Executive Director; "The Business End of Sports Turf," by Tim Moore, CSFM, Ballfield Coordinator for MNPPC and Secretary of STMA; "The Future for the MiSTMA with the MTF," by Tom Smith, President of MTF; "Effects of Cultural Practices for Athletic Fields," by Lisa Lundberg, MSU graduate student; and "Athletic Field Systems Study," by Jason Henderson, MSU graduate student. A tour of MSU Athletic Field Research and the Okemos High School Athletic Fields will take place in the afternoon.

For information on the Chapter or other pending events, call Rick Jurries, West Ottawa Public Schools, at 616-738-6974, or go to www.mistma.org to visit the chapter's new website.

Colorado Sports Turf Managers Association:

The Colorado Chapter will hold its Annual Seminar on Wheels Tour on June 21 in Denver, with stops to include All City

Stadium, All Star Park and North Area Athletic Complex.

The Chapter's Mountain Seminar will be held on July 20 at Canyon View Park in Grand Junction. The 65-acre park is home to eight soccer fields, four softball fields and a baseball field.

Watch for more details on the 6th Annual Lawnmower Man Open Golf Tournament, to be held on July 24 at Westwood Golf Course in Arvada. Also coming this fall is Turf Day At Invesco Field at Mile High, the new home of the Denver Broncos.

For information on the Colorado Chapter, or upcoming activities, visit the Chapter's website--www.CSTMA.org--or call the CSTMA Chapter Hotline at 303-346-8954.

Sports Field Managers Association of New Jersey:

The New Jersey Chapter STMA will meet on June 22 at the Somerset Patriots facility, Bridgewater, NJ. The program will focus on Baseball Field Maintenance Practices. Speakers include Dr. James Murphy of Rutgers University, and Ray Cipperley, Head Groundskeeper for the Somerset Patriots.

For information on the New Jersey Chapter, or upcoming events, call Jim Gavigan, Lesco, at 732-248-8979; or call Eleanora Murfitt, Director, Township of Clinton Parks & Recreation Department, at 908-735-5999.

Keystone Athletic Field Managers Organization (KAFMO/STMA):

The KAFMO Sports Turf Managers School will be held June 25-27, 2001, at the Little League National Headquarters in Williamsport, PA. This school stresses a practical approach to field management. Techniques for baseball, soccer and football fields will be covered. Classroom and hands-on instruction about soils and soil amendments, field layout, construction and maintenance will be offered. For registration information contact KAFMO, 1451 Peters Mountain Rd, Dauphin, PA 17018, tel. 717-921-8803.

For information on the KAFMO/STMA Chapter, or other upcoming events, contact Dan Douglas, Reading Phillies continued on page 10

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Baseball Club, at 610-375-8469, ext. 212; or chapter e-mail address: kafmo@aol.com.

Iowa Sports Turf Managers Association:

Upcoming events for the Iowa Chapter include a Construction Workshop, to be held at the Prairie Ridge Youth Sports Complex in Ankeny on June 27; an Irrigation Workshop, to be held at the Iowa City Kickers Soccer Complex in Iowa City on July 18; Iowa Turfgrass Field Day, to be held at the ISU Horticulture Research Station in Ames on August 2; and a Baseball/Soccer Workshop, to be held at Upper Iowa University in Fayette on October 9. The Iowa Chapter also will be joining the Minnesota Chapter for the annual Chapter Clash on July 13 and 14, 2001.

For information on the Iowa Chapter, or upcoming activities, contact Lori Westrum of The Turf Office at tel. 515-232-8222, or fax 515-232-8228, or e-mail: Lori@iowaturfgrass.org.

Sports Turf Managers Association of Arizona:

The Arizona Chapter will participate in the Summer Flagstaff Conference on Cool Season Grass. It will be hosted by the City of Flagstaff Parks and Recreation. Phillip Garcia is the contact for this event.

The Arizona Parks and Recreation Annual Conference will be held in Phoenix on August 16th. For information on this event, please contact Chris Calcaterra, City of Peoria.

For information on the chapter, or other upcoming events, contact Bill Murphy, Recreation and Facilities Manager, City of Scottsdale, at e-mail: bmurphy@ci.scottsdale.az.us or 480-312-7954.

South Texas Sports Turf Managers Association:

The South Texas Chapter is planning a June/July meeting in the Houston area. More details will be announced soon.

For information on the chapter, or upcoming events, call Tom McAfee, Nelson Wolff Municipal Stadium, San Antonio, at 210-207-3754.

Minnesota Chapter STMA:

The Minnesota Chapter's annual Minnesota/Iowa Chapter Clash is set for July 13 and 14, 2001. The annual Tour on Wheels will be held on July 25. The Chapter will participate in the MTGF Field Day to be held at the University of Minnesota on July 26. Details on these events will be announced soon.

For information on the Minnesota Chapter, or upcoming events, contact Ron Unger, Director of Parks & Recreation, City of Kasson, at 507-634-4165 or e-mail: ParkNRec@CityofKasson.com.

Ohio Sports Turf Managers Association (OSTMA):

OSTMA will host the second annual Regional Chapter Workshop on July 18th at Ohio State University. The event will include presentations by L. Murray Cook, President of Global Stadium Services and President-Elect of STMA; and Steve Trusty, STMA Executive Director; as well as a tour of the OSU athletic

facilities, conducted by Brian Gimbel; a tour of the Ohio Turfgrass Foundation Research Center, conducted by Dr. John Street; a tour of Cooper Stadium, home of the Columbus Clippers, conducted by Jeff Limburg; and a tour of Crew Stadium, home of the Columbus Crew, conducted by Darian Daily. The day will conclude with attendees enjoying dinner at the Crew Stadium and then watching a professional soccer game. The Ohio Chapter anticipates attendees from the Michigan, Midwest, Indiana, Tennessee and KAFMO Chapters and issues an open invitation to others to attend. Contact OSTMA or STMA National Headquarters for more information on this event.

This event will be followed on July 19th by the OSTMA first Annual "Chapter Challenge" Golf Outing, also in Columbus, Ohio, with the proceeds to benefit the OSTMA scholarship fund.

OSTMA is accepting scholarship and Field of the Year nominations until October 1, 2001. Visit the website or contact Boyd Montgomery for further information.

For information on the OSTMA Chapter, or upcoming events, call Joe Zelinko at 800-897-9714 or Boyd Montgomery at 419-885-1982, ext. 50; or visit the chapter's website at www.glstma.org.

Midwest Chapter STMA:

Upcoming events for the Midwest Chapter include: a Tour on Wheels in August, a Fall workshop at the Lincolnshire *continued on page 18*

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Sports Complex in October, and the annual North Central Turf Expo at Pheasant Run Resort in December.

For information on the Midwest Chapter, or pending activities, call The Chapter Hotline at 847-622-3517.

Nebraska Sports Turf Managers Association:

The Nebraska Chapter is planning an August 6th event at the Mead Turf Show in the morning and Seward in the afternoon.

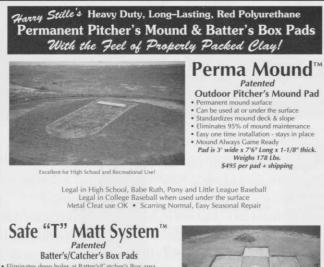
In the planning stages is an October meeting at Haymarket Park in Lincoln, Nebraska, the new home of the University of Nebraska Huskers Baseball Team and the professional baseball Northern League team, the Saltdogs. More details will be announced soon.

For information on the Nebraska Chapter, or upcoming events, call Gregg Bostelman, City of Grand Island, at 308-385-5426.

Mid-Atlantic Athletic Field Managers Organization (MAFMO Chapter STMA):

The MAFMO Chapter is planning an August 24 Design and Construction Seminar at the Annapolis Waterfront Marriott Hotel.

For information on the MAFMO Chapter, or pending activities, call the Hotline at 410-290-5652.



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Florida Chapter #1:

For information on the Florida Chapter, or pending activities, call John Mascaro at 954-341-3115.

Indiana Chapter:

For information on the Indiana Chapter, or pending activities, call Terry Updike, B & B Fertilizer, at 219-356-8424.

MO-KAN Sports Turf Managers Association:

For information on the MO-KAN STMA Chapter, or upcoming events, call Trevor Vance at 816-504-4271; Gary Custis at 816-460-6215; or Jody Gill at 913-681-4121.

Southern California Chapter:

For information on the Southern California Chapter, or pending activities, call Ron Kirkpatrick at 858-453-1755.

Gateway Chapter Sports Turf Managers Association:

For information on the Gateway Chapter, or upcoming events, call Mark Jennings at 314-983-5345; or Jim Anthony, Saint Louis University, St. Louis, MO, at 314-977-2956.

Nor-Cal Chapter of the Sports Turf Managers Association:

The Nor-Cal Chapter is planning their annual Seminar on Wheels event. Details will be announced soon. For information on the Nor-Cal Chapter, or pending events, call Janet Gift at 530-758-4200.

North Texas Sports Turf Managers Association:

For information on the North Texas Chapter, or pending activities, call Kayla McAfee at 972-234-6584 or Rene Asprion at 972-647-3393, or visit the website at www.ntstma.org.

Virginia Sports Turf Managers Association:

For information on the Virginia Chapter, or upcoming events, contact: Randy Buchanan, County of Henrico Recreation and Parks, via e-mail: buc06@co.henrico.va.us or at tel. 804-261-8213.

Mid-South Chapter STMA:

For information on the Mid-South Chapter, or upcoming events, contact Robert Bodi at e-mail: TURF419@aol.com or Jim Calhoun at tel. 901-755-1305.

Wisconsin Sports Turf Managers Association:

For more information on the Wisconsin Chapter, or other pending events, call Richard Miller at 608-756-1150.

Chapters On The Grow

Las Vegas: With the STMA Annual Conference & Exhibition headed for Las Vegas January 16-20, 2002, plans for the formation of a Las Vegas Chapter also are moving forward. For more information, please contact Rod Smith, Grounds Manager/Cashman Center at e-mail: rms@lvcva.com or at 702-386-7140.

New York: A chapter is forming in Central New York. The group will meet at 10:30 a.m. on the third Wednesday of each month at the National Soccer Hall of Fame. For more information, contact Kevin Meredith, National Soccer Hall of Fame, at e-mail: Kevin@wpe.com or at tel. 607-432-2953.