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he 'sports turf' growing season is well under way and so far the weather has been good to all who enjoy real turf grass. Winter 2004 was busy for the STA with a new and successful OTS show in Niagara and lots happening on the integrated pest management scene. We will keep you up to date on both of these via the Sports Turf Manager.

We are currently working on new construction specifications for the sports turf industry and planning for our Annual Field Day is almost complete. This year the event will be on Thursday, September 16 at the City of Mississauga's Valley Community Centre. As usual, we are planning a full program as well as a great networking occasion for members to meet industry peers. Watch your mail or visit www.sportsturfassociation.com for more details as they are confirmed.

It is with regret that Gord Van Dyk, Stephen Tolley and Jamie Worden have recently resigned from the Board of Directors. Gord has left the sports turf industry; Stephen has joined the Town of Richmond Hill's Engineering Public Works Department; and Jamie's commitments no longer permit him the time to effectively fulfill his role as a

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director. All three have given a number of years of professional input and service and we thank them sincerely and wish them

The STA Board would like to welcome Brian Adriaans and Cam Beneteau as new Directors. Brian is with the City of Burlington (see page 4) and Cam works at Ridley College in St. Catharines. Cam had been approached to be profiled in our new feature (page 12) prior to becoming a Director. We are fortunate to be able to introduce him fully to STA members.

Register for STA's Annual Field Day on September 16, a great networking occasion for members to meet industry peers.

We wish all our readers an enjoyable and successful summer and we look forward to our annual get together on September 16 in Mississauga. See you at the Field Day. •



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