## **UPCOMING 20TH ANNUAL FIELD DAY**

THE SPORTS TURF ASSOCIATION RETURNS TO THE CITY OF HAMILTON — HOST OF OUR  $20^{TH}$  annual field day, thursday, september 13



Overlooking the waters of Lake Ontario and extending up over the protective circle of the Niagara

Escarpment lies the City of Hamilton, host of the Sports Turf Association's 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Field Day. The City welcomed us in 1995 for this annual event and we are pleased to return in this our 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary year. Since that time, the City and five surrounding municipalities, Ancaster, Dundas, Flamborough, Glanbrook and Stoney Creek, have merged to form a new amalgamated City of Hamilton. Our venue is the Westoby Ice Surface/Olympic Sports Park in Dundas.

Feature speaker is Pamela Sherratt, Sports Turf Extension Specialist at the Ohio State University, a position she has held since 1999. Her areas of research include athletic field stability and reinforcement, sand selection for athletic fields, cool season grass traits, wear tolerance, establishment speed, over-seeding options, rhizomatous tall fescues and other newer grass varieties. In extension, Pam disseminates sports turf research to the industry in a variety of ways including the development and implementation of the Buckeye Sports Turf Program to keep sports field managers abreast of current topics important in the management of athletic fields (http://buckeyeturf.osu.edu/).

We welcomed record attendance in 2006 and anticipate that we'll continue the trend in 2007. Delegates will again be provided the opportunity to meet with industry suppliers to view displays and request equipment demonstrations.

The Sports Turf Association was conceived in 1987 when, at a 'brain storming' session at the University of Guelph, a broad segment of the turf industry endorsed its need. Of particular concern at

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that meeting was the need to minimize and avoid injury to participants using athletic fields where they relate to sports turf. Twenty years later the STA continues to promote safe, natural sports turf through education and professional development. Stay tuned for complete event details as they become available.









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