

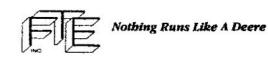
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# SFMANJ BUSINESS

Next Board meeting – NJTA Expo Thursday, December 13, 1:15pm at the Taj Mahal athletic field educational session. Election of the 2002 Board of Directors will be held at the annual meeting. At that time members will have an opportunity to vote.

# CALENDER OF EVENTS NJ TURF GRASS ASSOCIATION

December 11 – 13 – NJTA Expo Conference at the Taj Mahal in Atlantic City. For information call Dr. Richard Caton at 856-853-5973.

# RUTGERS

January 7-11 & February 11-15 – Athletic Field Management School January 16, 23, 30, Feb. 6 – Professional Parks Maintenance February 26-28, 3 day short course – Athletic Field Construction and Maintenance

Contact Office of Continuing Professional Education at 732-932-9271

## STMA (Sports Turf Managers Association)

January 16 – 20 – National Conference in Las Vegas. Contact STMA at 1-800-323-3875.

# **TIP OF THE MONTH**

When temperatures drop in the late fall, four cycle, air cooled engines, which are utilized in much of the small to mid sized turf care equipment become very hard to start. A part of this problem is due to the fact that in our temperature zone, throughout the growing season a single viscosity SAE-30 is typically recommended. As the temperature falls, single viscosity is become very thick and hinder starting. Change to a multi viscosity 10W-30 in the late fall to aid in starting your equipment. In cool temperatures multi viscosity oils remain thinner and allow the engine to turn over easier. Before trying this check with the engine manufacturer to be sure this is allowable and remember to change back to the original engine oil selection in the spring.

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