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Watch for your membership renewal form in the mailbox, next month. Or, find it on our new web site. In addition, you will be receiving a questionnaire regarding your interests on topics and activities for the upcoming year. Please take the time to answer the questions and return it with your 2002 membership renewal. Your response to the questionnaire is critical in determining our 2002 programs.

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Questions & Answers

If you have a question, comment or suggestion write us.

(Got a question? E-mail sfmanjchapter@netscape.net)

Question:

I have always believed fall is the time to build a quality turf. My priority fields receive 3 lbs. nitrogen (50% slow release) between Sept. 1 & Dec. 1, in three applications at 6-8 wk intervals. The only fertilizer I apply in the spring is that which is dictated by a yearly soil test. This generally includes 1/2 -3/4 lb. nitrogen in May.

What is your opinion of this program and do you feel a program of this design has the potential to promote Brown Patch in a predominantly Perennial Rye field?

Answer:

I like the fertilizer program you described. It would work well for many fields, however, it would be good to indicate that not all fields would be suited to this program. Thus, some adjustments will likely be needed based on the particular field conditions and use patterns.

As for the brown patch disease on perennial ryegrass, the fertility program would tend to discourage or be neutral towards incidence of the disease. High N fertilization in the spring, on the other hand, would likely increase the severity of brown patch on perennial ryegrass.

