

# **U**pdate

Sept. /Oct. 2002

e-mail HQ@sfmanj.org

website www.sfmanj.org

Vol. 2.No.11



Fred Castenschiold leading participants through demonstrations.

## 145 in ATTENDANCE FOR FIELD DAY

Sports Field Managers Association of New Jersey's First Annual Fall Field Day was held on August 8<sup>th</sup> at Harry Dunham Park in Bernards Township. Thanks to Bernards Township's Parks Director Dan Callahan and his hard working staff, the day went smooth

Equipment demonstrations were the high light of the day. There were 31 demonstrations of various turf equipment and 42 vendor booths where vendors displayed their latest products. With the help of many vendors we were able to aerate and topdress an entire soccer field. 145 participants enjoyed one very large pig roast, compliments of "Have Pig Will Travel".

Topics and speakers for the Sports Turf Sessions were: "Optional Renovation Techniques, 5+ Soccer Goal Scenarios," presented by Jim Hermann CSFM, Total Control; "Apply soil Test Information to Your Maintenance Program," by Dr. James Murphy, Rutgers University Extension Specialist and Dr. Henry Indyk, GSI Consultants – TurfCon Div.; and a panel discussion on "Do's & Don'ts of Writing Maintenance Specifications," lead by Eleanor Murfitt, Washington Township Parks & Recreation; the panel included Dr. James Murphy, Dr. John Grande, Rutgers Snyder Farm Research, Dr. Henry Indyk, Jim Gavigan CSFM, Lesco and Jeff Cramer, Plainsboro Township DPW.

## SFMANJ appreciates the support and donations from the following vendors:

\*SFMANJ Members

- Aer-core Inc., Downingtown, Pa, Donated hats
   Demoed the Southern Green Soil Reliever & Drill & Fill
- Ben Shaffer & Associates Inc., LK. Hopatcong, NJ
- \*Deer Stopper/Goose Stopper, Chester, NJ

INSIDE THIS ISSUE	
Board of Directors	2
Welcome new members	
Calendar of Events  "A Look at the Growth Cycle & Field Care of Grass Seed"	3
Field Day Rutgers Snyder Research Farm-	4
"Give it What it Needs" Address for Success Athletic Turf Books for Sale	5
"Seven Traits of Effective Leaders" "Drainage: Why Your Field May Not Be Performing"	6
First Annual Problem Solving Contest	8
Membership Form Nominations Wanted For SFMANJ Board of Directors for 2003	9
Expo 2002 & You	10
"Sports Field Manager or what"?	11
SFMANJ Shirt Sale "Skinned Area Mixes" "Murphy's Law" Q/A	12
Jim Hermann Achieves Certified Sports Field Manager Status, CSFM	13
SFMANJ Membership Districts Announced - Help Wanted Ad	14
Proud Sponsor Directory	16
This newsletter is the official bi-monthly publication of the Sports Filed Managers Association of New Jersey. For information	n

 \*The DVH Group, Mt. Epraim, NJ Donated free laser grading of one softball infield

E&M Golf Supply, Pittstown Twp., Pa

Demoed the RotaDairon Soil Renovator & Rink Topdresser

regarding this newsletter, contact:

SFMANJ at 908-236-9118

 Earth & Turf, New Holland, Pa Demoed the MS300Twin Spin

 \*Fertl-Soil Turf Supply, Scotch Plains, NJ
 \*Fertl-Soil, Kenneth Square, Pa Donated topsoil Continued on page 2......

## **SFMANJ BUSINESS**

- Next Board of Directors Meeting Monday, September 16, 5:30pm at Rutgers University Horticulture Farm 2, Geiger Conference Room, Ryder's Lane, New Brunswick.
- The chapter is accepting nominations for Board of Directors for the year of 2003. Anyone interested in serving on the Board see the article on next page 9.

## 2002 SFMANJ BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President..... Eleanora Murfitt Washington Twp Parks & Recreation

Vice President..... John Salisbury Garden State Sports Turf

Secretary..... Fred Castenschiold Storr Tractor Company

Treasurer..... Dean Marzocca Dean's Lawn & Landscape

### DIRECTORS

Jim Gavigan, CSFM - Lesco Inc.

Dr. James Murphy - Rutgers University

Dr. John Grande - Rutgers Snyder Research

**Bud Perdun - North Brunswick School** 

Jim Hermann, CSFM - Total Control Inc.

Tom Torpey - Township of Monroe Parks

Jeff Cramer - Plainsboro Township DPW

Advisor......Dr. Henry Indyk TurfCon GSI Consultants, Inc.

> "SFMANJ Update" Newsletter Co -editors Jim Hermann & Eleanora Murfitt

#### MISSION STATEMENT

Committed to enhancing the professionalism of athletic field managers in New Jersey by improving the safety, playability and appearance of athletic fields at all levels through seminars, field days, publications and "networking" with those in the sports turf industry.

STMA - 1-800-323-3875 - www.sportsturfmanager.com

Continued from page 1.....

\*Finch Services, Inc., North Wales, Pa John Deere 1200A, Aerator -1500 &Ty-Crop 1800

\*Fisher & Son Co. Inc., Malvern, Pa Donated a roundup sprayer

Rain Bird Corp., Allentown, Pa

- Graco Inc., Pleasant Valley, NY, Donated jacket Line Lazer III w/ self propelled, & Line Lazer 3000 Walk Behind
- GreenTech, Inc., Richmond, Va Turf Modules
- \*JDL Equipment, Doylestown, Pa, Donated \$30 Topline TXE battery Powered Limemarker

## "Welcome New & Renewed SFMANJ Members"

Our membership is growing fast. Currently we have 230 members. If you haven't renewed your membership send in the membership form from this newsletter or call (908) 236-9118.

Steve Vincent Bob Cathy Charles Dennis Salvatore Brandon Fred Brian Brian Pedro Jeff Steve Walter Marc David	Blehl Bono Borelli Brown Bullerjohn Jr. DeSanctis Fama Fezenko Goble McCormick Meola Perdomo* Prosser Ratto Ricciardi Russo Smith	Environmental Renewal, LLC College of Staten Island Northern Nurseries Fertl-Soil Turf Supply Jonathan Green Finch Turf Equip Sherwin Williams Co. Mulch Pro Inc Washington Township(Morris) College of Staten Island Washington Township(Morris) Rutgers University Extension Prosser Sports Field Services Bergen County Dept. of Parks Ricciardi Bros., Inc. Lesco Fertl-Soil Turf Supply
Scott	Van Demark	Mahwah Board of Education

- Leon's Sod Farm, Pittstown, NJ Donated sod
- Mid-State Equipment Co., Titusville, NJ Kubota Zero turn
- Millcreek Manufactoring Co., New Holland, Pa Millcreek Turf Tiger
- \*Moyer & Son, Plant Nutrients, Souderton, Pa

Donated \$100 gift certificate for products

\*National Seed, New Brunswick, NJ

Donated seed & Home Depot certificate

Pennington Sales & Services/John Deere Co.

N Pennington, NJ John Deere 1600 Turbo wide

\*Prosser Equip. Co. LLC, Pennington, NJ

Bannerman BA600 Core & Bannerman Fracture Tine Aerator, BTD 20 & Earthquake Soil Decompactor & Orbit Screener Donated 20ft, aluminum retractable flag pole w/ flag

- \*Rutgers Extension Service, Cook College, New Brunswick
- \*Sherwin Williams Co., Edison, NJ Donated 6 Yankee tickets and parking pass
- Simplot Partners, Pine Bush, NY, Donated a windshirt
- \*Storr Tractor Company, Somerville, NJ

Aeravator AVS/Dingo & Toro GM4000 & Toro GM3500

Toro Workman Donated time and equipment & electric trimmer

- \*S.T.S. by Saul Brothers, Livingston, NJ
- Deep Time & Drill & Fill
- Terre Company, Clifton, NJ

Donated seed & an array of tools

\*Till Paint Company, Woodbury Hts., NJ

Field Painters, Donated 5 gal. line paint

\*Wilfred MacDonald Inc., So. Hackensack, NJ Turfco CR-10 Topdresser & Redexim Vertidrain-Smithco Super Star AFC, National IS-22 Walkbehind Striping

Donated an Husqvaens electric weed trimmer A

2