

## Rutgers Annual Adelpia Field Day Incorporates Equipment Demos and Trade Show ... Compliments of SFMANJ!

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Sports Field Managers Association of New Jersey has joined forces with New Jersey Turfgrass Association (NJTA) to collaborate on a new format for the annual Adelpia Rutgers turfgrass field day. This year's event, now labeled, Rutgers Lawn, Landscape and Sports Turf Field Day, will



be held at the Rutgers Adelpia Research Farm in Adelpia, NJ on Wednesday August 3, 2005 with attendee registration beginning at 7:30 am.

The new format for 2005 will consist of 1½ hours of formal trade show time, 2 hours of sports turf and lawn and landscape equipment demonstrations sponsored by participating vendors and 3 hrs of Rutgers turfgrass education. Similar to previous Field Days held at Adelpia, New Jersey DEP pesticide credits will be offered for those in attendance.

For the first time, pre-registration will be a part of this field day. Sports Field Managers Association of New

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## SFMANJ Business

*Next Board of Directors Meeting –  
August 3rd, after Rutgers Adelpia Field Day*

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Jersey has been working closely with NJTA to ensure that all SFMANJ members receive pre-registration materials via U.S. mail. Make plans to attend ... you don't want to miss the new format!

### Rutgers Lawn, Landscape & Sports Turf Field Day Schedule

Rutgers Adelphia Research Farm, Adelphia, NJ  
Wednesday, August 3, 2005

7:00 am Vendor registration

7:30 am Attendee registration and Trade Show opening

9:00 am Rutgers turfgrass education

11:00 am Lunch and open Trade Show

12:00 pm Sports turf and lawn and landscape equipment demonstrations

2:00 pm Rutgers turfgrass education

3:00 pm Pesticide credits and adjournment

Highlights of what you'll see at the Rutgers Field Day:

- New herbicides for landscape turf
- Major advances in turfgrass breeding – "See tomorrow's cultivars today"
- Identification and control of grubs and other insects
- Latest efforts for disease control on lawns

Pre-registration discount available:

Before 7/22/05

\$35 (members of NJTA, GCSANJ, or SFMANJ)

\$50 (non-members)

On-site registration:

\$45 (members of NJTA, GCSANJ, or SFMANJ)

\$60 (non-members) ►► contact info ►►

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To obtain a copy of the pre-registration form for the Field Day, visit: [www.njturfgrass.org](http://www.njturfgrass.org) ♦

## A Thank You letter we received about the 2005 Spring Field Day

I just wanted to write you a note to congratulate you and your committee on conducting such a terrific Spring Field Day last week (April 6). As a person who not only has grown up on a sod farm and has operated one for the past 25 years, but as a Town Councilman who is responsible for the upkeep of parks, I learned a lot from the topics that were presented. Everything from some simple points to create a safe field to weed control and drainage was very practical. The afternoon session, which was hosted by the Betts family, was also exceptional.

Thanks again for having a well-attended, successful Field Day! I'm hopeful that in the future, as the membership grows, perhaps we can conduct a similar Field Day up here in District I. Keep up the good work.

Sincerely,

Leonard M. DeBuck, President

*Thank you Leonard for the kind words. Absolutely! We would love to host a tour at your sod farm for District I folks. Just name the date. Eleanor, President SFMANJ ♦*

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