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RUTGERS LAWN, LANDSCAPE AND SPORTS TURF FIELD DAY

SFMANJ to Sponsor Trade Show & Equipment Demos at Rutgers Adelphia Research Farm

SAVE THE DATE - Wednesday, August 5, 2009

By Brad Park

Sports Field Managers Association of New Jersey (SFMANJ) will once again collaborate with the New Jersey Turfgrass Association (NJTA) and Rutgers University to take part in the annual Rutgers Lawn, Landscape, and Sports Turf Field Day at the Rutgers Adelphia Turfgrass Research Farm in Adelphia, NJ. Both a morning trade show and equipment demonstrations will be sponsored by SFMANJ.

This is a great opportunity for SFMANJ members and other Green Industry professionals to network with peers and industry representatives, examine the latest product offerings at the trade show, see the latest sports field and landscape equipment in action during the demonstration period, and learn about selecting and managing turfgrass. Pesticide credits will be available to those certified applicators in attendance.

The schedule for August 5 is as follows:

7:30 am	Registration and Trade Show Opening
9:00 am	Research Tours & Equipment Demos
1:00 pm	Lunch
2:00 pm	Optional Core Pesticide Credit Session
2:30 pm	Conclusion

Look for registration materials in the mail. Online registration is available at the NJTA website: www.njturfgrass.org

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John Coombs, Owner, Coombs Sod Farm, hosted lunch and an afternoon tour of his farm in Elmer, NJ on April 9, 2009 as part of Spring Field Day.

Spring Field Day 2009: Kingsway High School and Coombs Sod Farm

By Debbie Savard and Don Savard, CSFM, CGM

We had a beautiful spring morning for our field day at Kingsway Regional High School on Thursday, April 9, 2009. As vendors and attendees gathered, Northern Nurseries treated us to coffee and donuts.

SFMANJ President Don Savard, CSFM welcomed everyone and then passed the microphone to Plant Food Company, Till Paint, Tri State Materials/Green Pro, Turf Equipment and Supply, Power Place, Rainbird, Turface, Fisher and Son, The Viersma Company and Farm-right as they told us about their companies and products. Dryject was first up for the demos. They demonstrated their Dryject machine which forces high pressure water into ground then fills the hole with a dry soil amendment to aid in drainage. Board Member Jim Gates from Jim Gates & Co. brought along some of his equipment suppliers. Jason and Dave from Blec USA came up from South Carolina and showed us their Blec turf renovation equipment and George Bannerman from Ontario, Canada later demonstrated his Superject Aerator.

Tour of Kingsway High School Sports Fields, Woolwich Township, NJ

Kevin Shipman, head groundskeeper at Kingsway gave us a few words and took us on a guided tour of his facility. Then it was over to his baseball field where Ron Martin from MarCo Clay Products demonstrated field layout. The group also saw a live demonstration of laser grading by board member

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Kevin Shipman, Sports Field Manager, Kingsway High School, demonstrates how to create a logo at the SFMANJ 2009 Spring Field Day