



Fred Castenschild 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 8th 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

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- *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
- Earth & Turf, New Holland, Pa
Demoed the MS300Twin Spin
- *Ferti-Soil Turf Supply, Scotch Plains, NJ
- *Ferti-Soil, Kenneth Square, Pa Donated topsoil
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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.