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## SEE WHAT'S NEW WITH UCONN TURFGRASS RESEARCH: *UCONN Turfgrass Field Day: Tuesday July 19, 2016*

Come see current research in turf management and pest control designed and conducted for Connecticut's environmental conditions. The UCONN Turfgrass Program invites you to participate in this year's field day at the Plant Science Research Farm in Storrs. UCONN's turf faculty provide expertise in a variety of disciplines providing attendees the opportunity to learn about diverse research studies; all of which provide information targeted to improve management of turf in the Northeast. Moreover, you are encouraged to walk the plots to see for yourself what works and what doesn't; a hallmark of field days that can't be duplicated online or in winter educational seminars. Local distributors will also be exhibiting with their equipment and products for you to learn more about.

This year's event will include research on:

- Reliability of new dollar spot forecast model
- Fairway renovation strategies
- Herbicide safety on juvenile bentgrass turf
- Bentgrass fairway cultivar evaluation
- Traffic tolerance of fine fescue cultivars maintained as fairway
- Decision tools to guide nitrogen fertility

- Fungicide efficacy trials: anthracnose, brown patch, dollar spot, Pythium blight
- Biological white grub control
- Cultivar evaluations: Kentucky bluegrass, tall fescue, perennial ryegrass
- Characterizing duration of pesticide residues from turf canopy

The agenda for the day will begin with time to visit regional exhibitors and a light breakfast, followed by guided research talks with UCONN faculty. After a barbeque lunch, we will offer an afternoon program (1:30 to 2:30 pm; separate registration required) with the option of participating in one of three pest management workshops.

- Turfgrass Disease Identification and Management Walking Tour – Inguagiato. *Review signs and symptoms of common turfgrass diseases, and discuss current cultural and chemical controls with examples from UCONN fungicide efficacy trials.*
- White grub biocontrol workshop: from beneficial bacteria to peonies for Tiphia – LeGrand. *Come to learn about the biocontrol toolbox for white grub management. The tools include Bacillus thuringiensis bacteria, beneficial nematodes and Tiphia parasitoids among others.*
- Sustainable and Pesticide-Free Turf Management – Henderson &

Wallace. *This workshop will discuss the effectiveness of alternative management practices for managing turf pesticide-free.*

In addition to keeping up with the latest research, attendees can also see and hear about new products from local vendors, and network with other turf managers. Pesticide and GCSAA certification credits will be available for attendees. The timing of this event can present challenges for those during trying summers. However, this date has intentionally been selected to coincide with stressful summer conditions when treatment differences are most apparent in the research trials. While leaving the property at this time may be difficult, it is also the most advantageous time to view the research. We hope you can make it this year, and we look forward to seeing you on Tuesday, July 19 at the Plant Science Research Farm in Storrs, CT. For registration information visit: [www.regonline.com/turfgrassfieldday2016](http://www.regonline.com/turfgrassfieldday2016).

John Inguagiato, Ph.D.  
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Eric Morrison, CGCS

## The President's Message

the stresses that come along with it. I have already caught myself thinking about what needs to be done at my course to prepare for the CT Senior Open towards the end of July. The good news is after the Senior Open I will be taking off to the Cape for our traditional family camping vacation. Hopefully, everyone can take some much needed time off during the summer this year to spend time with your families.

Over the past few weeks, we have been busy with several association activities. The Two Man Championship is off and running with the first round almost completed. The Scholarship and Research Tournament was held at the Clinton Country Club on May 23. Thank you to Mike Decker and the club for hosting this event once again, and to everyone who participated and donated to make it a very successful day. On June 8, Orange Hills Country Club hosted our June meeting, which was the MET team

qualifier and first round of the CAGCS Championship. Thanks to Jud Smith, the Smith family, and the club for treating us to a terrific day and holding the rain off long enough so we could finish. I would like to thank all of the sponsors for these two meetings, and in particular, Melissa Gugliotti of Syngenta, and Neil Lajeunesse from Read Custom Soils for being our presenting partners for May and June.

As always, if you are interested in hosting a meeting or helping out on the board in any capacity, contact a board member or give the office a call. I hope Mother Nature is easy on us this summer and the stress level is kept at a minimum. Have a good summer, and I hope to see many of you at the July meeting at Torrington Country Club or at Lake Compounce for Family Day in August!

Eric Morrison, CGCS

On June 10, at 3:25 in the afternoon, the school bus dropped my daughter Shelby off from her last day of fourth grade. The look on her face was a look of sheer exhilaration...summer vacation! It made me remember of how exciting that was as a child. Now that I'm grown up (some would question this) it's the complete opposite...Memorial Day to Labor Day... the 100 days of Hell. Yes the summer is right around the corner already and all of

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## NEW ENGLAND REGIONAL TURFGRASS FOUNDATION MAY 17, 2016

The New England Regional Turfgrass Foundation recently held its 19th Annual Meeting on May 10, 2016 where a new Executive Board was elected. Clifford J. Drezek of Arbor-Turf Services, Inc. in Marlborough, MA has been elected as the 20th president of the foundation, succeeding Matthew A. Crowther, CGCS, of Mink Meadows Golf Club on Martha's Vineyard.

Cliff represents the Massachusetts Association of Lawn Care Professionals (MALCP) on the Foundation's Board. Randy S. Weeks of the Lochmere Golf and Country Club in Tilton, New Hampshire, representing the New Hampshire Golf Course Superintendent Association will serve in the vice-president's seat for this upcoming year. Jeffrey M. Urquhart of the Milton Hoosic Golf Club in Canton, MA representing the Golf Course Superintendents Association of New England will fill the role of Treasurer for a second year. Peter J. Rappoccio, CGCS of the Concord Country Club also of GCSANE has been elected as the foundation's new secretary. Matthew Crowther will continue to serve on the board as the Immediate-Past President. The foundation consists of 2 delegates from each of the 7 GCSAA Chapters located in New England, 1 delegate from the Sports Turf Managers Association of New England (NESTMA) and 1 delegate from the Massachusetts Association of Lawn Care Professionals (MALCP). There are two advisory seats filled by the University of Massachusetts and the University of Rhode Island respectfully.

The 19th Annual Conference and Show was held in Providence, RI on February 29 through March 3rd, 2016. Since the "great" snow event of 2015, industry participants looked forward to getting back in balance again with industry professionals. The 2016 weather cooperated nicely to help the attendee and exhibit booth sales to exceed recovery expectations as the show went uninterrupted. The 2017 show dates for the 20th annual show are: March 6-9, 2017 in Providence, RI. For more information on the show and New England Turfgrass Research please visit our website: [www.nertf.org](http://www.nertf.org).

The 5th annual Tee-Up New England rounds of golf auction took place April 11-18, 2016. 105 rounds of golf across New England and one day of tennis at the Longwood Cricket Club were auctioned off. All rounds were sold and \$26,570 was raised towards turfgrass research in New

England. We thank all courses greatly who participated and wish to thank everyone for supporting turfgrass research. A list of courses that participated is located at [www.tee-upnewengland.com](http://www.tee-upnewengland.com).

Gary Sykes, Executive Director

**2016-2017 NERTF Executive Board**  
Front Row (l to r): Clifford Drezek (2016 Pres.), Matthew Crowther, CGCS (Immediate Past-Pres.). Back Row: Jeffrey Urquhart (Treas.), Peter Rappoccio, CGCS (Sect.) and Randy Weeks, CGCS (vice president)



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**KEVIN'S CORNER**

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In our industry we are required to notice trends at our facilities and within our industry. New tools or tricks utilized by others can often assist in making needed improvements. We also might notice some trends at the chapter level, when the same superintendents might regularly help develop education events, be progressive about environmental efforts, or take critical action in government relations initiatives. A member who might fall into one such category could be considered engaged. Maybe if they fit into two of the afore mentioned chapter efforts we would consider them highly engaged? I think you can figure out where this is going. Picture a superintendent who has become a regular participant in all three endeavors, at both the local and national levels. You might have a vision of a young up-and-coming superintendent with a bright future. I picture 58-year-old Les Carpenter, superintendent at Newton CC in Newton, NJ. While "young" might not fit the bill, if recent trends are any indication, I think the future for Carpenter just keeps getting brighter.

"Three or four years ago I looked in the mirror and said you've been a superintendent over 30 years and this business has provided a great life for your family, my father and his family, my brother and his family, me and my family. Now my sons a little bit interested. I attended meetings and have gone to the education events but I've never really done anything to give back to the association. That was when I decided to get involved."

And get involved he did. Carpenter began giving back at the chapter level first by joining the GCSA of New Jersey education committee "seven or eight years ago." After diving in and getting involved a little more a, GCSANJ director's position opened up in his district and he has served on the board since that time.

Currently Carpenter serves as the GCSANJ secretary, and works heavily on the chapter Rounds for Research committee. The passion and drive for R4R has deep and personal roots for Carpenter. Carpenter was the recipient of a Melrose Leadership Academy grant,



through the generosity of Ken Melrose and administered through the Environmental Institute for Golf (EIFG), and proud member of the class of 2015.

"You have this perception when you come from a modest budgeted club way up in the corner of the state that no one really knows that much about, why am I going to apply? I'll never get picked for the Melrose. I've obviously learned that that's not the case."

Carpenter continues to sing the praises

of Mischia Wright, GCSAA's Associate Director, Environmental Institute for Golf and Melrose coordinator, the EIFG and the Academy. Carpenter reached out to many in New Jersey in an effort to propagate the program among his peers and has vowed to continue to do so.

The personal development successes haven't stopped there either. Carpenter continued the trend by receiving a grant from Bayer as a part of the Plant Health Scholarship program (in conjunction with



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the EIFG) in 2016. Carpenter was one of only two recipients. The program is designed to promote continuing education within the golf industry.

Carpenter's environmental resume is quite impressive as well. A certified Audubon International cooperative sanctuary, which has recertified eight times, is just one of the many accomplishments. Newton CC has been a finalist multiple years for the prestigious Metropolitan Golf Association's Arthur P. Weber Environmental Leaders in Golf Award and been recognized by the New Jersey Turfgrass Association with their 2015 Environmental Stewardship Award.

"I think every superintendent is an environmentalist at heart."

Have a quick conversation about environmental initiatives and you will find out that Carpenter has a big heart, and a lot of love for the environmental side of the profession. After discussions with Dr. Myers at Rutgers, he and his son Steven are experimenting with mowing height and frequency of cut in his native areas to control an overabundance of milkweed, without the use of pesticides. This will be the case study for Newton's next Audubon recertification.

Carpenter has also joined the GCSAA Grass Roots Ambassador army. He has utilized the town hall format, often via telephone, to engage his representative and receive important policy stances on issues directly relating to golf. Carpenter looks forward to furthering the relationship with his representative by working towards a site visit.

Ask yourself: What have I done to give back to my association or industry? While there are many opportunities to become involved, there are exponentially more reasons to not engage. Les Carpenter found himself at a point in his life when taking that first step to giving back was in order. From committee work to involvement in national efforts, Carpenter has proved that it is never too late to engage in efforts large or small to make your mark. Next time you see an opportunity to engage and succeed, why not give it a try?

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**Golf Course Environmental Survey: Thank You!!!!**  
Thank you to those who filled out the Property Profile and Environmental

Stewardship Survey. GCSAA reached adequate numbers to validate the survey, and your participation provided vital information needed to advocate for the golf industry and superintendent profession. Check back here in the future to find out when the results are available!

Again, if I can be of any assistance, please feel free to contact me.

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## CONNECTICUT MOSQUITO MANAGEMENT PROGRAM AN INTEGRATED APPROACH

The Wetland Habitat and Mosquito Management (WHAMM) Program of the DEEP's Wildlife Division uses an integrated approach to manage mosquitoes that includes larval (immature) and adult mosquito population monitoring, public education, and cultural, biological and chemical control methods. Similar components are used in other Integrated Pest Management (IPM) strategies. However, the mosquito control profession has been practicing IPM concepts for over 100 years and has refined these practices to be specific to controlling mosquitoes. The [American Mosquito Control Association](#) and others recognize this specialized strategy as Integrated Mosquito Management or IMM.

Public education which promotes eliminating sources of mosquitoes around the home and minimizing exposure to mosquito bites by taking protective measures is critical to managing mosquitoes. Control measures can be initiated when immature (larval) mosquito levels reach certain threshold limits. Additional steps can be taken to reduce adult mosquito populations when viruses like [Eastern Equine Encephalitis \(EEE\)](#) or [West Nile Virus \(WNV\)](#) are detected in mosquitoes. If warranted, biological or chemical insecticides can be strategically applied by ground or aerial application equipment to control larvae or adults. Long-term control using water management, particularly in tidal wetlands, can be used for managing mosquitoes and can be further integrated into enhancing and restoring degraded wetland habitats. These various components of Connecticut's IMM strategy are discussed in further detail below.

### Mosquito Management Around the Home (or Course)

The Connecticut Public Health Code prohibits homeowners from creating or maintaining sources of mosquitoes on their property. Violators are subject to enforcement actions by their local health department. There are several ways homeowners can minimize the number of biting mosquitoes in their yards. One of the easiest and surest ways to manage mosquitoes around the home is to eliminate standing water where mosquitoes can lay eggs. Mosquitoes need at least 7-10 days in water to fully develop. Some common sources of mosquitoes around the home are:

- Artificial containers that hold water (e.g., pails, paint cans, [discarded tires](#))
- Open cesspools or septic tanks
- Boat or pool covers or tarps that collect rain water
- Unmaintained bird baths or wading pools
- Storm sewer catch basins, rain barrels and clogged roof gutters
- Rot holes in trees and stumps

Practice good sanitation around the home. Homeowners should properly dispose of or recycle trash which can hold rainwater. Make it a practice to flush bird baths and wading pools weekly. Swimming pool filtering systems should be maintained and in good working order. Abandoned pools should be drained, filled or "shocked" with pool chemicals. Openings for standing water sources, such as septic tanks or rain barrels, can be sealed or covered with screening. Rotten stumps

and tree holes can be filled with sand. Discarded tires should be disposed of properly, holes (0.5 inches or larger) can be drilled in the bottom of the tires to drain rainwater or the tires can be stacked and covered to prevent rainwater from entering. Lawns and gardens should be watered minimally to prevent puddling and to conserve water.

Ornamental pools and aquatic gardens can become sources of mosquitoes if the water is allowed to stagnate. Water should be changed frequently or an aerator can be installed. Homeowners can practice their own biological control by stocking minnows, such as Gambusia, koi or guppies, which will eat mosquito larvae. The fish will need to be brought indoors for the winter or restocked annually because they will not survive Connecticut winters. Large pond stocking with non-native fish or releasing fish into public waters is prohibited. Insecticides, such as those containing the bacteria *Bacillus thuringiensis var. israelensis* (Bti), are available at many nurseries and garden supply centers and can be used to treat mosquito breeding sites. In general, natural ponds and lakes are not sources of mosquito breeding, because permanent bodies of water usually contain fish and other predators that would consume mosquito larvae.

There are also ways homeowners can minimize the annoyance caused by adult mosquitoes. Mosquitoes prefer to rest in shady, calm areas and will avoid more open sunny, breezy areas. Mowing tall grass will reduce places where mosquitoes can rest. Mosquitoes are most active around dawn and dusk although some, such as the common saltmarsh mosquito, may be active throughout the day or may be more active during cloudy, humid weather. Simply avoiding outdoor activity during these peak mosquito times can minimize contact with mosquitoes.

To reduce the chance of being bitten when outside, wear protective clothing such as long sleeves, long pants and head cover. Light-colored, loose-fitting clothing is preferable because dark clothing radiates more heat and attracts more mosquitoes. Insect repellents containing DEET, picaridin, IR3535 or oil of lemon eucalyptus can be used by most people and are often effective for varying lengths of time. Permethrin, a synthetic pyrethroid that is widely available for repelling and killing ticks, also repels and kills mosquitoes. It is applied to clothing and provides longer-lasting protection. Do not apply permethrin products directly to skin. Although not marketed as repellents, there are several cosmetic liquids and creams that claim some level of mosquito repellency. These products may effectively repel when mosquito pressure is light, but need to be reapplied frequently. The [U.S. Environmental Protection Agency \(EPA\)](#) provides further information on the use and effective use of repellents.

Homeowners may also consider spraying pesticides labeled for mosquito control to shade trees, hedges and shrubs adjacent to foundations, fences and stone walls where adult mosquitoes are most likely to light. There are several over-the-counter aerosol sprays that homeowners can use to control mosquitoes. Always read and follow the label. Private, CT-certified applicators can also be hired to treat yards and neighborhoods. Make sure the applicator is certified in the "Mosquito and Biting Fly" category (cat. 7f) by the CT DEEP Pesticide Management Program. ([Businesses Registered to Perform Mosquito Control in Connecticut](#))

To reduce mosquito infestations in the house, maintain screens over doors and windows. A porch or deck also can be enclosed with screening. Outside light use should be reduced and yellow light bulbs used when possible.

EEE and WNV can be fatal to horses. Horse owners are strongly encouraged to protect their horses from EEE and WNV by inoculation. Canine heartworm (filariasis) is a fatal disease circulated in dogs by biting mosquitoes. The DEEP, CAES or DPH do not monitor for heartworm in mosquitoes. Dog owners are encouraged to protect their pets from canine heartworm by administering preventative medications obtained through their veterinarian.

### Managing Mosquitoes Using Insecticides

Insecticides used for mosquito management are grouped into two categories. Larvicides/pupicides are used to control immature (larval or pupal) mosquitoes in aquatic habitats. Adulticides are used to control adult mosquitoes. The insecticides used are registered by the EPA and the [CT DEEP Pesticide Management Program](#) and do not pose any health hazards to humans or the environment when used in accordance with the label.

**Larvicides** are applied by hand-, backpack or aerial application equipment to mosquito-breeding habitats when there is an abundance of larvae. Larviciding is more efficient and effective for managing mosquitoes than adulticiding because the larvae are concentrated in relatively small, well-defined, aquatic habitats. If larval control methods are successful, the need for adult mosquito management is greatly reduced or eliminated.

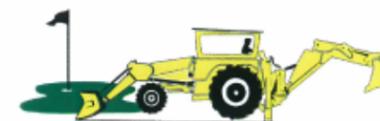
Currently, the primary larvicides used by the WHAMM Program are the microbial compounds Bti (*Bacillus thuringiensis var. israelensis*) and Bs (*B. sphaericus*) and insect growth regulators containing methoprene. The microbial products release toxins when ingested by the filter-feeding mosquito larvae. Bti and Bs target mosquitoes and Bti is also labeled to control black flies and some midges. Bti has a short effective life (two to three days) and must be reapplied to each new generation of mosquitoes. The bacterial spores in Bs recycle in the larval mosquito population and can provide 4-6 weeks of larval control. Since these products must be ingested by mosquito larvae to be effective, they do not control the non-feeding pupae or adult mosquitoes.

Methoprene is a compound that mimics the action of an insect growth-regulating hormone and prevents the normal maturation of mosquito larvae. The active ingredient, S-methoprene, breaks down rapidly in ultraviolet light. Methoprene does not persist in the environment but encapsulated formulations allow a slow release of minute amounts of methoprene and can provide several weeks of control. Methoprene is also used in flea and tick control in pets.

[Larvicide Plan](#) (Strategies for the Application of Larvicides to Control Mosquitoes in Response to West Nile Virus in Connecticut - Supplement to West Nile Virus Response Plan)

**Pupicides** in the form of monomolecular films (MMF's) or oils create a thin film on the water surface which drowns the larvae, pupae or emerging adult. MMF's break down in about 10-14 days.

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## Congratulations!

Congratulations to Robert Dorsch, III CGCS on renewing their certification with GCSAA. GCSAA offers a professional certification program that enables golf course superintendents to be recognized for their high level of achievement in golf course management. The professional designation, Certified Golf Course Superintendent (CGCS), is bestowed upon those who voluntarily meet the stringent requirements. The CGCS designation is the most widely recognized in the golf

industry and the highest level of recognition that can be achieved. Approximately 25% of GCSAA Class A members are certified golf course superintendents. You can find more information by visiting GCSAA's website <http://www.gcsaa.org/education/certification/achieving-certification>

Brian Skelly on his retirement from Old Lyme Country Club. Brian worked at Old Lyme for 30 years before that at Pequabuck for 4 and 5 at Tashua and 7 at Golf Club at Aspetuck now Connecticut Golf Club.

Doug Cooper, on his retirement from Watertown Golf Course.

Tom DeGrandi on his retirement from the PGA Tour and his move to Boise, Idaho.

## Condolences

John M. Gallagher & family on the passing of John's father John M. Gallagher, Jr. Please visit his obituary at <http://obits.masslive.com/obituaries/masslive/obituary.aspx?n=John-M-Gallagher&pid=180056206>

Alexander Adaskaveg & family on the passing of AI's father Alexander Adaskaveg. Please visit his obituary at <http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/hartfordcourant/obituary.aspx?n=Alexander-Adaskaveg&pid=180149962>

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Kayem Ovia, 90, passed away on May 30, 2016, Memorial Day. Kaymen was in the Marine Corp. from 1943 and honorably discharged in 1946. He attended University of Massachusetts, Stockbridge School of Agriculture, majoring in Turf Management and



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## 2016 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

July 14 Thursday	<b>TORRINGTON COUNTRY CLUB</b> CAGCS Benevolent Fundraiser Low Gross/Net Blind Partners 2nd round CAGCS Championship New England Team Championship Qualifier		<b>Stephen Curry</b> Host Superintendent
July 19 Tuesday	<b>UCONN Field Day</b> Research Farm		
August 1-7	<b>TRAVELERS CHAMPIONSHIP</b>		
August 21 Sunday	<b>LAKE COMPOUNCE</b> CAGCS Family Day		
September 15 Thursday	<b>ROCKRIMMON COUNTRY CLUB</b> CAGCS MEMBER/GUEST PRESENTING PARTNER		<b>Anthony Girardi, CGCS</b> Host Superintendent
September 26 Monday	<b>MET AREA TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP</b>		
October 3 Monday	<b>HOP MEADOW COUNTRY CLUB</b> 2 Person Best Ball Superintendent/Assistant Tournament President's Cup & McLaughlin Trophy PRESENTING PARTNER		<b>William DeMur</b> Host Superintendent
October 18 Tuesday	<b>SILVERMINE GOLF CLUB</b> CAGCS Class C Tournament PRESENTING PARTNER		<b>Chris Vitali</b> Host Superintendent
November 3 Thursday	<b>POMPERAUG GOLF CLUB</b> 9-hole Scramble ABCD CAGCS Annual Meeting PRESENTING PARTNER		<b>David Golembeski</b> Host Superintendent
November 10 Thursday	<b>THE PATTERSON CLUB</b> MET / CAGCS Fall Seminar		
December 1 Thursday	<b>J. TIMOTHY'S TAVERNE</b> CAGCS Christmas Party PRESENTING PARTNER		

**APRIL MEETING RESULTS  
NORWICH GOLF COURSE  
APRIL 25, 2016**

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**1st Place Gross – 149**  
Ward Weischet, SiteOne Landscaping Supply/  
Eric Morrison, Shennecossett GC

**2nd Place Gross – 151**  
Michael McDermott, Twin Hills CC/  
Eric DeStefano, Twin Hills CC

**3rd Place Gross – 152**  
Peter Jacobsen, BASF/  
Mike Dukette, Harrell's

**1st Place Net – 122**  
John Motycka, Skungamaug River GC/  
Brian Pope, Turf Products

**2nd Place Net – 127**  
Todd Olovson, Sleeping Giant GC/  
Mark Osborn, Steven Willand, Inc.

**3rd Place Net – 129**  
Richard Duggan, Lake Waramaug CC/  
Duncan McGowan, Litchfield CC

**Closest to Pin #9 – 8'6"**  
Brian Goudy, Syngenta

**Closest to Pin #13 – 5'6"**  
Michael McDermott, Twin Hills CC

**Closest to Pin #15 – 4'7"**  
Eric DeStefano, Twin Hills CC

**Closest to Pin #18 – 3'10"**  
Kevin Doyle, GCSAA

**Closest to Line #11**

Jason Dowgiewicz, Plant Food Company  
**Longest Drive #4**  
Mike Dukette, Harrell's  
**Longest Putt #11 – 47'5"**  
Ed Downing, NESS  
**Longest Putt #15 – 10'2"**  
Brian Pope, Turf Products

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**MAY MEETING RESULTS  
S + R TOURNAMENT  
CLINTON COUNTRY CLUB  
MAY 23, 2016**

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**1st Place Gross – 59 mc**  
Keith Angilly, Mill River CC/  
Daryl Aresco, Borough of Fenwick /  
Jason Dowgiewicz, Plant Food Company

**2nd Place Gross – 59 mc**  
Eric Morrison, Shennecossett GC /  
Ward Weischet, SiteOne Landscaping Supply /  
Kevin Collins, Tradition of Wallingford /  
John Parmelee, Indian Springs Golf Club

**3rd Place Gross – 60**  
Glenn Perry, Rolling Hills CC/  
Scott Tretera, guest  
Doug Drugo, Wee Burn CC/  
Dave McCaffrey, guest

**1st Place Net – 53**  
Melissa Gugliotti, Syngenta/  
Mark Hyner, guest /  
Cindy Johnson, Tumble Brook CC/

Heather Garvin, Chas. Hart Seed Company  
**2nd Place Net – 54 mc**  
Andy Fries, H.B. Brownson CC/  
Kevin Doyle, GCSAA /  
David van Leeuwen, Sepro

**3rd Place Net – 54 mc**  
Greg Bradley, Farmington Woods CC/  
John Callahan, Cardinals Inc. /  
Peter Grace, H. Smith Richardson GC/  
Michael Sullivan, E. Gaynor Brennan  
Municipal GC

**Closest to Pin #6 – 17'8"**  
Duncan McGowan, Litchfield CC

**Closest to Pin #17 – 4'6"**  
Jeff Houde, Tom Irwin Inc.

**Longest Drive #2**  
Mike Decker, Clinton CC

**Longest Drive #11**  
Ed Grant, K & J Tree Removal

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**JUNE MEETING RESULTS  
ORANGE HILLS COUNTRY CLUB  
JUNE 8, 2016**

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**A FLIGHT**  
1st Place Gross – 78  
Mike Dukette, Harrell's  
2nd Place Gross - 79  
Mike Chrzanowski, Madison CC  
1st Place Net – 70  
John Gallagher, Race Brook CC

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2nd Place Net – 71  
Nick Torello, guest

**B FLIGHT**  
1st Place Gross – 80  
Pete Gorman, Pine Orchard Y&CC  
2nd Place Gross – 87  
Zack Brooks, Seeton Turf Farms

1st Place Net – 72  
Brian Pope, Turf Products

2nd Place Net – 74  
Rob Giampietro, Bull's Bridge CC

**C FLIGHT**  
1st Place Gross – 86  
Neil Lajeunesse Reed Custom Soil

2nd Place Gross – 92  
Norm Gavin, guest

1st Place Net – 66  
Dennis Petruzzelli, CC of Woodbridge

2nd Place Net – 68  
Al Adaskaveg, Rockledge CC

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Long Drive  
Charlie Siemers, Westchester Tracker

Closest to Line  
Nick Torello, guest

Long Putt #3 - 11'4"  
Neil Lajeunesse, Reed Custom Soil

Long Putt #9 - 5'6"  
Scott Ramsay, Course at Yale

Closest to Pin #3 - 7'8"  
Jason Dowgiewicz, Plant Food Company

Closest to Pin #9 - 12'  
Mike Dukette, Harrell's

Closest to Pin #10 - 4'11"  
Matt Luce, guest

Closest to Pin #13 - 12'3  
Jason Dowgiewicz, Plant Food Company

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Adulticides are considered for use by the WHAMM Program for reducing the adult mosquito population when a public health threat from mosquito-borne diseases like EEE or WNV exists. Adulticiding provides an immediate but short-term reduction in adult mosquito numbers. Backpack or truck-mounted equipment is used to create tiny, ultra-low volume (ULV) droplets of insecticide that drift through the swarm of mosquitoes or impinge on vegetation on which the mosquitoes will land. Truck-mounted applications are used in relatively small, localized areas where road access allows adequate coverage. If, however, the public health threat exists in a larger geographic area, where truck-mounted spraying would be ineffective, aircraft can be used to aerially-apply adulticides. The primary adulticides used by the WHAMM Program contain synthetic pyrethroids, such as resmethrin, sumithrin, or bifenthrin. These products contain the same active ingredients as several over-the-counter yard, garden and pet sprays. They do not pose unreasonable risks to humans or the environment when applied according to the label. Adulticiding is more costly than larviciding because adulticides are usually applied over larger areas.

The WHAMM Program is actively evaluating new mosquito control products as they become available. New products must provide consistent mosquito control, be nonhazardous to humans and the environment and be cost-effective. If new products meet these requirements, they are considered for possible use.

#### Mosquito Control Using Water Management

Where environmentally feasible, the WHAMM Program uses water management for source reduction and biological control of mosquitoes by making the sites 1) unsuitable for mosquito egg and larval development and 2) enhancing the area to provide open water habitat for natural mosquito predators such as fish and birds. This method provides more permanent control of mosquitoes than insecticides, resulting in a substantial reduction in insecticide applications and costs.

In tidal saltmarshes, a technique known as Open Marsh Water Management (OMWM) is the preferred method for controlling mosquitoes and enhancing or restoring wetland habitat ([ct.gov/mosquito/lib/mosquito/publications/omwm05.pdf](http://ct.gov/mosquito/lib/mosquito/publications/omwm05.pdf)). Unlike the parallel grid-ditch method used in the 1930's which had adverse affects on tidal wetland hydrology and habitat, OMWM involves the selective excavation of shallow pools and ditches in mosquito-breeding areas. These pool and ditch networks are not connected directly to tidal channels and, therefore, do not drain at low tide. A higher water level is maintained in the pools which provides habitat for fish and other wildlife and encourages revegetation of the surrounding marsh by native grasses. Mosquito management is achieved by modifying egg-laying sites and by creating open water habitat for small naturally-abundant killifish, which prey on mosquito larvae and pupae. OMWM systems provide long-term control of mosquitoes, thus reducing the need to apply insecticides.

#### Mosquito Myths

A number of products on the market claim to have mosquito control capabilities. In most cases, these products have not been rigorously tested and do not perform as advertised. Mechanical traps, such as ultraviolet "bug zappers" or devices that repel using ultrasonic sound waves, do not meet

advertiser's claims. In fact, bug zappers attract few mosquitoes and may actually kill beneficial insect predators. The Connecticut MMP as well as other states and the American Mosquito Control Association do not endorse the use of these products to reduce mosquito infestations. Natural products, such as citronella-scented candles and plants, clove oil, peppermint, or diet supplements like garlic or vitamins that claim to repel mosquitoes are not supported by scientific evidence. There are many individuals who feel these products are effective; however, each person has a unique metabolism and body chemistry and these products may not be equally effective for everyone.

Natural predators, such as bats and some birds, will eat adult mosquitoes as do other types of insects such as dragonflies. However, studies have shown that mosquitoes make up a very small percentage

of a bat or bird's diet. Bats and insectivorous birds are opportunistic feeders and may consume a large quantity of mosquitoes if mosquito populations are very high. However, if adult mosquitoes are at moderate or low levels (but yet are at pestiferous levels or in numbers that could still effectively transmit disease) bats or birds will not expend the energy to chase enough mosquitoes to obtain the equivalent amount of food as say a moth or large beetle. The CT Mosquito Management Program encourages the placement of bat and bird houses for the conservation of these species but does not endorse the use of them solely for the control of mosquitoes. For further information on mosquito myths read the [Rutgers Cooperative Research and Extension Fact Sheet \(pdf\)](#) or visit the [University of Florida's Mosquito Information Website](#).

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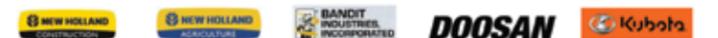
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**AGENDA:**

7:30	Registration opens/continental breakfast
7:30-8:45	Visit with exhibitors
8:45-9:00	Welcoming remarks
9:00-11:30	Guided tour of research plots
11:30-12:00	Visit with exhibitors
12:00- 1:00	Lunch
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