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## *No Task Too Tall for The Meadows' Duggan*

By: Gary Trask

You can make the argument that Dick Duggan simply loves a challenge. Others might say he's a glutton for punishment. Either way, Duggan's dedication and affection for his job as a head golf course superintendent can not be questioned.

"I really love what I do, that's for sure," says the 55-year-old head man at The Meadow at Peabody golf course in Peabody, Mass. "I enjoy getting up in the morning and coming to work. I'm lucky to be in a situation where I can say that."

This isn't the first job where Duggan has been happy. In fact, he says some of the best days of his life were spent at Cyprian Keyes Golf Club in Boylston, Mass where he got a chance to be part of a grown-in. When he started in January of 1996, it was shortly after ground had been broken on the project. For nearly four years, Duggan – along with fellow certified superintendents Dick Zepp and Jim Beane – helped mold and nurture Cyprian Keyes into one of the finest public facilities in the state.

"It was the time of my life," Duggan remembers. "The owner Bob Frem was a great guy to work for. And being there from the beginning was a great learning experience. It was nice to work with some great people and help turn something that was just a blueprint into a beautiful golf course."

Duggan enjoyed the experience so much that when he was presented with the opportunity to do it all over again at

The Meadow at Peabody back in 1998, he couldn't resist. Sure, he was more than comfortable at Cyprian Keyes and he probably could have stayed there until he retired. But, as mentioned before, Duggan is a man who loves a challenge. And that's precisely what The Meadow at Peabody was going to be.



**The Meadows**

Photo Courtesy of The Meadows

"A lot of people said to me, 'Why do you want to do that all over again? You must be crazy,'" Duggan says with a laugh. "But I just thought it would be nice to be part of another grow-in. You don't get too many chances to be at a course right from the beginning so I just decided I wanted to give it one more shot."

Duggan admits that there were days in the early part of the project when he started to think that the people who thought he was crazy might have been on to something. The Meadow, which was designed by Mark Mungeam, was not exactly a walk in the park to construct.

The 259-acre municipal course required approximately 17,000 cubic yards of rock to be blasted away. Then 60,000 cubic yards of solid fill were brought in to cover ledge while another 30,000 yards of sand was needed to cover the fairways. Toss in all the red tape of confusing permits and some dicey weather in the months before the course was finally set to open and you can see why Mungeam once referred to the \$6.75 million project as one of the toughest he ever worked on.

"I remember one day just before we were hoping to open the course we got some real bad rain right after we sodded one of the fairways," Duggan says. "I drove to the course to see how it was holding up with all the rain and all the sod we just put down was sliding right off the fairway. I sat there and watched a full three days of work just slide away and literally go down the drain. What a horrible feeling that was."

In the end, Duggan, Mungeam and the rest of the crew that helped build The Meadow prevailed. The club opened its full 18 holes in 2001 and

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has been one of the most acclaimed courses in the area since Day 1.

"It's rewarding to see the course mature and get better and better as the years go by," Duggan says. "It's really a beautiful site. Sometimes when I drive in and see the course, I think back to what it once looked like in the very beginning. You kind of just sit back and say, 'Wow,' because you remember that one day this place was just a big pile of dirt. It's a nice feeling."

That feeling is even more rewarding for Duggan because working in the golf industry is something he has wanted to do since right after graduating from Concord Carlisle High School in 1971. Duggan, who worked as a general contractor for a few years after high school, was an avid golfer and was crowned club champion at Sandy Burr Country Club in Wayland for three straight years.

"It was at that point I really started to develop an appreciation for the game," he says. "That's when I knew it was something I wanted to do for a living."

He decided to give up his general contracting job to take the plunge and get his degree at Stockbridge School of Agriculture. After graduating in 1977, he worked as an assistant at Concord CC and Spring Valley Country Club in Sharon, Mass. before getting his first head job at Maynard CC.

Along the way he got married to his wife, Janet, and the couple had three sons: Kevin, now 26; Jeffrey, 22; and Matthew, 19. The family has a house in Marlborough, Mass., but spends most of its time in their second home in York Harbor, Maine. When he's in Maine, Duggan's commute to work requires him to get on the road by 4:30 a.m. and lasts a full hour.

"Sometimes the ride is good because it gives me time to think about the day and plan things for the next day," he says.

All three of his sons love to play the game and the Duggan foursome gets out to play as a group on a regular basis, mostly at The Meadow.

"My crew hates when I play the course because I always come in with a big list of things we have to do," he says with a laugh. "When you're playing the course, you see things different. That's what I tell my guys all the time. When you're out working on the course, try to pretend you're the

customer. You just spent good money on greens fee and a cart so you want to have a good experience. It's our job to make the people that play here want to come back."

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**Dick Duggan  
The Meadows**

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Despite his hectic schedule, Duggan, who once set a record at the annual Francis Ouimet Scholarship Fund's Golf Marathon by playing 602 holes in one day, tries to find the time to get out for a round once a week. He still plays to an 8.5 handicap and is undefeated against his sons.

"They can hit it a country mile, but they haven't beaten the old man yet," says Duggan, who has taken a few golf trips to Ireland with his family. "They're getting close, though. But honestly, it's not about who wins when we're out there. It's just great to be able to go out as a family and do something together that we all really love."

If it sounds like Duggan is a man looking forward to leaving the grind of being a head super and spend more time actually playing the game on a regular basis, guess again.

"I hope to retire [at The Meadow], but not for another 10 or 11 years," he says with conviction. "I'd love to say I spent the first 20 years here as the head super. That's the goal. You don't see that kind of thing very much anymore, so that would be kind of special."



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# Peer to Peer AERATION.....WHEN, WHY AND HOW MUCH \$\$\$

By: Mike Cassidy and Rich Gagnon

It's not unusual to see an article about aeration in just about every turf publication at one time or another.....so here is another spin on the process and the financial cost related to aeration; whether you do it or have all or some of your work contracted out. We posed a few questions to a handful of clubs including private, public, North of Boston, South of Boston and even Rhode Island. The questions were to the point and put together to offer insight as to how each of these clubs gets this done. Hopefully the following information will help with your clubs concerns about aeration, cost and timing. Clubs responding include Middleton GC, Essex CC, Walpole CC, Rhode Island CC and Kernwood CC. Thanks to all the superintendents that took the time to answer these questions.

## 1. The first question is always on every golfers mind....When do you aerate?

**Middleton:** Late April and early October

**Essex:** Mid May and early September (based on club tournament schedule)

**Kernwood:** April and September

**Rhode Island:** Third week in August is when all aerification is done.

**Walpole:** Fairways are core aerified in April, tees core aerified in June, greens and tees core aerified at the end of August, greens and tees Vertidrain in early November.

## 2. What type of aeration? Do you core, solid, deep tine and why?

**Middleton:** Greens 1/2" - 5/8" deep tine up to 3/4" inch with heavy. Mid fall core. Deep tine helps with drainage all season.

**Essex:** Greens (spring) .40 ID hollow on 1.3 inch spacing, in the fall .70 OD hollow on 1.3 inch spacing. Spacing on Tees and Fairways depends on the health of the turf.

**Kernwood:** Greens 3/8 core in spring, 1/2 core in fall, 5/8 solid deep tine in late fall. Tees and fairways are done with 5/8" core in spring and fall. Greens are done twice to help root zone and to fill profile with sand. 5/8" core on tees and fairways to reduce thatch.

**Walpole:** Greens and tees with 1/2" coring tines, fairways with 3/4" coring tine, Vertidrain greens and tees with 1/2" or 3/4" solid tines.

**Rhode Island:** Uses 1/2" hollow on greens and 3/4" hollow on tees and fairways.

## 3. Do you aerate Fairways once, twice or as needed?

**Middleton:** No Fairways get aerified.

**Essex:** Scheduled for two times yet weather last year allowed only once.

**Kernwood:** Twice, because it has been done that way for years and works.

**Walpole:** Once per year.

**Rhode Island:** Once per year.

## 4. Is any of your aeration contracted out? If so, does your crew help with any of it?

**Middleton:** All done in-house.

**Essex:** Fairway aeration has been contracted out in the past and might be this year. Crew doesn't help yet there is always a little cleanup after the contractor leaves.

**Kernwood:** Greens and Tees done in-house, fairways contracted out.

**Walpole:** All aerification is contracted out as well as fairway clean-up. Greens and tees are cleaned up in-house.

**Rhode Island:** Fairways are all hired out including clean-up, and greens and tees are all done in-house including clean-up.

## 5. What is your 2008 budget figure for contracted services?

**Middleton:** N/A

**Essex:** \$25,000.00 yet looking to do all in-house in 2009

**Kernwood:** \$20,000.00

**Walpole:** \$15,000.00

**Rhode Island:** \$10,000.00

## 6. Do you seed during this time? If so, what type on Greens, Tees and Fairways?

**Middleton:** In the past have used G2 only on damaged surfaces.

**Essex:** Seed goes down every time an area is aerated. Greens over-seeded with A4, Fairways and Tees with a blend of colonial bents and chewing fescues.

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# Assistant's Corner

## A Glimpse into the 2008 GCSAA Assistant Superintendent Committee

By: Andrew Eick

This past March I had a great opportunity to serve on the GCSAA Assistant Superintendent Committee. The committee is composed of ten assistant superintendents located around the country, with John O'Keefe from Preakness Hills Country Club acting as chairman and Dave Fearis GCSAA, Director of Membership and Chapter Services, as the Staff Liaison. The committee met in Lawrence, KS at the GCSAA Headquarters for two days.

The purpose of this committee is to provide assistant superintendent perspective, give recommendations and direction for GCSAA in continuing to build relationships with assistant members, and to come up with programs to help engage assistant members. While at the GCSAA Headquarters we were able to brainstorm ideas and sugges-

tions for each other to take back to our fellow assistant superintendents and local chapters. I got a lot out of the experience, more than I thought I ever would. It was quite amazing to see what other Assistants are doing at their respective courses, local associations and at the national level.

GCSAA is starting to tailor programs towards the assistant superintendent. Last year in Orlando the GCSAA held it's first Assistant Superintendent Education Session, which consisted of a superintendent panel, followed by assistant superintendent presentations, with a reception after the session. During this meeting we were able to make some decisions to improve the experience for New Orleans in 2009. They are also looking at adding more educational sessions dur-

ing the National Conference for assistants, in the areas of interviewing and working with budgets.

Another concept that is being looked into is Assistant Superintendent "Boot Camps". Northern California Golf Association held the first of its kind in Monterey, CA. The boot camp had various activities from golf to dinner and great education seminars about golf course renovations and tournament preparations. This boot camp was fee based, but had well over thirty assistants and speakers attend. This was a great opportunity for assistants in that area to meet each other and learn out in the field and not just in the classroom. The GCSAA is looking into the possibility in creating regional boot camps. Once again the idea of practical knowledge over classroom education is preferred. These are just a couple of the highlights that were discussed. GCSAA continues to be dedicated in serving its members, advancing their profession and enhancing the enjoyment, growth and vitality of the game of golf. The GCSAA staff did a great job at putting together an informative and productive meeting.

We then turned the meeting to the local associations and discuss some creative ideas to get assistant activities together. GCSANE has done a great job in getting one of these activities going with the first annual Assistant Superintendent Appreciation Golf Outing. This was held at Tedesco Country Club this past fall and was well attended. Most everyone I have talked to about this event had a great time and really liked having a meeting with assistants. I hope that this activity will continue because it was a great time!

Another idea that was discussed was a concept called "Shop Talks". "Shop Talks" are where an assistant will hold a meeting at his respective facility. These meetings will have an education speaker, either a superintendent or vendor, and after the speaker

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**Kernwood:** Greens w/ velvet bent at 1#/1000. Fairways w/creeping bent at 1#/1000. Tees get 1# bent mixed with milorganite and put down with a drop spreader.

**Walpole:** No seed in fairways. Tees seeded with Princeville or Pennway and greens are seeded with A-4 or G-2.

**Rhode Island:** Fairways are not over-seeded and greens are only over-seeded a week or two after a second aeration with solid 1/2" tine aeration holes.

**7. Does your club close for aeration? How many days? If not, how do you get it done?**

**Middleton:** Close front 9 until done then move on to the back 9. Usually done on Monday, or start Sunday night

and get a 3-4 green head start. Most of the time this can be completed in one day. Tees take about a week and close one at a time working from 18 backwards.

**Essex:** The club closes for 3 days in May and September and can be extended to 4-5 day if weather is unsettled.

**Kernwood:** The club closes for 2 days in spring and fall.

**Walpole:** Closes completely for 2 days in the spring for fairways and closes in August for 2 full days and stays 1/2 closed the next 2 days for tee and green aeration.

**8. Do you fertilize before or after aeration to promote rapid healing?**

**Middleton:** On average 7-10 days before aeration for a nice push to promote quick healing. In the past, have

fertilized again 7 days after depending on weather.

**Essex:** Foliar feed green and fwys with .2# of N/1000 two or three days before aeration. Due to environmental restrictions can only apply 1 granular application of fert a year on fwys in the spring at .5# N/1000 after aeration is completed. After greens are aerated a granular micro-nutrient package and a granular fert at .75 # of n/1000.

**Kernwood** .75 # of N the weekend before aeration and usually a week after to help the recovery. Use an organic 12-4-5 both times.

**Walpole:** Fairway aeration not tied into fertilization. Greens receive .15#N 5 days before aerifying with a liquid combination. After greens are aerated, a granular organic or Grigg 8-4-16 is applied at .4#N, along with gypsum at 10#/1000, and ProMag at 2#/1000.

**Rhode Island:** Soluble only on greens rather than granular. Fertility practices not usually tied into aeration.



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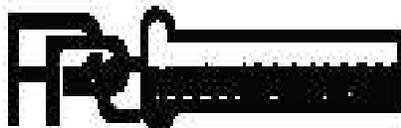


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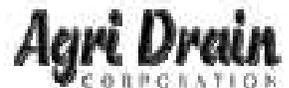
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usually assistants will talk about agromonic issues and share tips about managing day to day operations. The wealth of knowledge that each one of us has is amazing. We could all benefit from discussing ideas and solutions with each other because "there is more than one way to skin a cat"! These meetings are conducted at night, normally from 5:00-8:00 PM and about every two months. This allows assistant superintendents a chance to get together and start networking with each other. Networking has become a huge aspect in our industry as it continues to get more competitive.

Within the next couple of months, I will be sending out a survey to all assistant members in the GCSANE. The survey will poll the level of interest for some of these ideas in the New England sector. From this survey I am hoping there will be support for implementing these ideas, especially the "Shop Talks". I am looking forward to your responses and working together towards advancing our profession.

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# ***Bunker raking rule clarified, etiquette restored***

In the wake of a recent ruling involving Stewart Cink at the Zurich Classic of New Orleans, the Joint Rules Committee, made up of representatives of The R&A and the USGA, have issued an interpretation of Rule 13-4a.

Cink hit a shot where his feet were in a fairway bunker, but not his ball. He hit his ball into a greenside bunker.

His caddie smoothed the sand in the fairway bunker, and Cink was penalized for smoothing sand in a bunker from which he had not made a stroke, when his ball lay in another similar bunker. To avoid such an act being a breach of the Rules in the future, the JRC has decided to make public its agreed position on smoothing a similar hazard.

The effect this could have on good golf etiquette is obvious. After discus-

sion, the JRC agreed on the following position, effective immediately:

"Rule 13-4a prohibits a player from testing the condition of the hazard in which his ball lies or a similar hazard. Yet Exception 3 to the Rule, which was introduced in 2008, allows a player to test the condition of one hazard after playing from that hazard into a similar hazard. Although Decision 13-4/0.5 lists smoothing a bunker with a rake, club or otherwise as an example of testing the condition of the hazard, the Etiquette Section of the Rules of Golf provides that "Before leaving a bunker, players should carefully fill up and smooth over all holes and footprints made by them and any nearby made by others."

The committee said it is not the intent of Rule 13-4a to prohibit players from practicing the proper etiquette of

the game when more than one bunker is involved. Therefore, when the player's ball lies in a bunker, it would not be a breach of the Rules if the player were to smooth the sand in another bunker, provided (a) the smoothing is for the purpose of tidying up the bunker, (b) the smoothing does not breach Rule 13-2 (Improving Lie, Area of Intended Stance or Swing, or Line of Play) with respect to his next stroke and (c) there is not a reasonable possibility that the smoothing could affect a subsequent stroke by the player.

Source: GCM Weekly

## **Tournament Results Easton Country Club May 29, 2008**

### **Host Superintendent: Matt Ponte**

#### **First Net:**

Ron Dobosz and Matt Santos

#### **Second Net:**

Garrett Whitney and Jeff Urquhart

#### **Closest to the Pin winners:**

Hole 4- Patrick VanVleck

Hole 16- Lenny Blodgett

#### **Long Drive winner:**

Darin Eddy



**Scenes from the GCSANE Monthly Meeting  
May 29, 2008  
Easton Country Club  
Host Superintendent: Matt Ponte**

Photo source: Rich Gagnon



Darin Eddy of Country Club Enterprises  
tees off on the 14th hole



Nick Welch of Oak Hill CC tees off at  
Easton CC



Tate Asselin of Segregansett CC  
tees off at Easton CC



## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Our condolences are extended to the Wendell family on the recent passing of GCSANE member, **Malcolm Wendell**. Mal was the golf course superintendent for the Highland Country Club, Wannamoisett Country Club and the Rhode Island Country Club for many years before retiring. He was an avid golfer, scoring several holes-in-one and was a member of the Wannamoisett Country Club. He was one of the three founding members of the Attleboro Area Golf Association and had won the Attleboro City Open three times.

### **Sent on Behalf of GCSAA President David S. Downing II, CGCS**

I am writing to inform you that Hannes Combest, GCSAA Managing Director, Member Programs has been chosen as the new CEO for the National Auctioneers Association. This is a bittersweet day for GCSAA. We are sad to be losing a wonderful team member who has served the membership with dedication, passion and pride. However, we know this is a wonderful opportunity for her. Hannes is a certified association executive and replaces former GCSAA Senior Director of Corporate Marketing and Sales Bob Shively. Her last day at GCSAA is May 28.

Hannes joined GCSAA in May 1996 as a manager of education and quickly climbed the ranks. She has been integral in GCSAA's efforts to elevate the profile of the member and the association. Please join me in congratulating Hannes and offering her best wishes for success in her leadership of the NAA.

### **Looking for Volunteers for the CVS Charity Classic Event**

Peter Lund, CGCS, is looking for volunteers and equipment for the CVS Charity Classic event at Rhode Island Country Club. He will need help on Saturday, June 21st at noon through the morning of June 24<sup>th</sup>. If you are able to help, please contact Peter Lund at (401) 245-5138 or email [Lund@ricc.org](mailto:Lund@ricc.org)

## **CALENDAR**

### **June 16: GCSANE Monthly Meeting** Scholarship & Benevolence Tournament

Tedesco Country Club  
Host: Peter Hasak

### **June 18, 2008:**

UMass Turf Research Field Day  
For more information, please visit [www.umassturf.org](http://www.umassturf.org) or call (508) 892-0382.

### **July 22, 2008:**

The University of Connecticut Field Day  
For more information please visit: [www.turf.uconn.edu/fieldday08](http://www.turf.uconn.edu/fieldday08).

### **July 28: GCSANE Monthly Meeting**

Walpole Country Club  
Host: Mark Gagne

### **August 19: GCSANE Monthly Meeting**

Individual Championship  
Marlborough Country Club  
Host: Ken Crimmings, CGCS

### **August 20, 2008:**

The University of Rhode Island Field Day  
Pre-registration is now open. For more information, please contact Dr. Rebecca Brown (401) 874-2791.

### **September 15: GCSANE Monthly Meeting**

Twin Hills Country Club  
Team of Two Championship  
Host: Matt Kowal

### **September 29, 2008:**

The 2008 Joseph Troll Classic at Lyman Orchards Golf Club, honoring George B. Thompson.

### **October 29: GCSANE Monthly Meeting**

Country Club of Halifax  
Member/Guest Tournament  
Host: Edward Gianni, CGCS

### **November 13: GCSANE Monthly Meeting**

Bellevue Golf Club  
9-Hole Tournament  
Host: Brian Skinner

## **S & B Information**

We are asking all superintendent members to solicit their club or facility to contribute a round of golf for this year's raffle. Thank you in advance for your support and we hope you will participate as the Scholarship & Benevolence Fund is an important benefit to all members in need.

## **UMass Extension**

### **UMass Extension Turf Program Upcoming Events**

**June 4** - Turf IPM Twilight Walkabout  
Stanley Park, Westfield, MA  
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

**July 22** - Turfgrass Identification and Selection Workshop  
UMass Joseph Troll Turf Research Ctr.  
S. Deerfield, MA  
9:00 am - 3:00 pm

**July 31** - UMass Turf Open House  
UMass Joseph Troll Turf Research Ctr.  
S. Deerfield, MA  
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm

**Mid August Date TBA** - Dollar Spot Resistance Field Trials and Oriental Beetle Discussion  
Wianno Club, Osterville, MA

**October 30** - 2008 Turf Season in Review: Research from Field and Greenhouse, Results from On-Golf-Course Trials  
UMass Amherst, Amherst, MA  
8:30 am - 12:00 pm

**For program details and registration information, please visit [www.umassturf.org](http://www.umassturf.org) or call (508) 892-0382**

## **Vendor News**

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# UMASS TURF RESEARCH FIELD DAY 2008

**Wednesday, June 18, 2008**  
**Joseph Troll Turf Research Center**  
**South Deerfield, Massachusetts**

*From the North:* From Route 91 take exit 25. Turn left onto Route 116. Follow 116 South to River Road (on the left just before the Connecticut River bridge). Turn left onto River Road. The Center is on the corner of Route 116 and River Road.

*From the South:* From Route 91 take Exit 24. Turn right onto Route 5 North. Turn right onto Route 116. Follow Route 116 to River Road (on the left just before the Connecticut River Bridge). Turn left onto River Road. The Center is on the corner of Route 116 and River Road.

Turf managers and their associates from across the Northeast Region are invited to help us welcome summer at University of Massachusetts Turf Research Field Day on Wednesday, June 18, 2008. As in the past, this year's event will be held at the Joseph Troll Turfgrass Research Center on River Road in South Deerfield, Massachusetts. Please join us for an update on ongoing improvements to the Center, including new research plots and a state-of-the-art rain-out shelter under construction.



As always, attendees will have the opportunity to meet and speak with the researchers and educators of the UMass Turf Team, and to hear about and *see* current turf research underway at UMass. Several ongoing studies will be highlighted at Field Day, including an array of National Turfgrass Evaluation Program (NTEP) variety trials. The half-day agenda will include a cookout lunch and trade show, with several Green Industry vendors and exhibitors on hand.

**QUESTIONS ABOUT FIELD DAY 2008? E-Mail [fieldday@umassturf.org](mailto:fieldday@umassturf.org)**

**Support the UMass Turf Program with your presence at Turf Field Day 2008!** Come to learn about cutting-edge turf research, network with colleagues, and meet with vendors. Enjoy a tour of the research facility named for Dr. Joe Troll. Pesticide recertification contact hours will be available for all New England states. Morning coffee and cookout lunch are included in the price of registration. For additional information, including how to register online or by mail, visit our web site at <http://www.umassturf.org>

**Visit our web site** for further UMass Turf Research Field Day information, as well as information on:

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# Turfgrass Science Program

College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, Department of Plant Science

## JULY 22, 2008

Plant Science Research & Education Facility in Storrs, Connecticut

### The University of Connecticut invites you to the 1st Turfgrass Field Day

To celebrate the 10th anniversary of its Turfgrass Science Program, the University of Connecticut's College of Agriculture and Natural Resources will host its 1st Turfgrass Field Day on July 22, 2008.

The first of this Biennial Field Day Event will focus on current research projects conducted in the areas of professional turfgrass management. The 2008 Turfgrass Field Day at the University of Connecticut offers exciting educational opportunities for turfgrass managers of all levels.

The date of the Field Day has been selected in order to provide the best opportunity to view the research plots when they are under the greatest summer stress. Viewing the research at this time of the year will provide managers the opportunity to question the UConn turf experts on management recommendations for the remainder of the season. Cutting edge research in the areas of pest control, golf and sports turf management, lawn care and others will be presented.



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[www.TURF.uconn.edu/fieldday08](http://www.TURF.uconn.edu/fieldday08)



## 77<sup>th</sup> Rhode Island Turfgrass Field Day August 20, 2008

The University of Rhode Island's C.R. Skogley Turfgrass Research Facility, Kingston, RI 02881

### Tentative Event Schedule

7:30 – 9:00 AM: **Registration and Check-in.**

9:00 AM– 1:00 PM: **Visit with commercial exhibitors.** (Visit with regional turf products and equipment distributors. The URI turf field day hosts the largest gathering of regional product distributors outside the New England Regional Turfgrass Conference and Show)

**A light buffet breakfast will be served until 10:30am.**

10:30 AM– 1:00 PM: **Tour of the turf plots and re- search demonstrations.** (Variety trials, fertilizer trials, insecticide, fungicide and herbicide trials)

1:30 PM: **Adjourn to Laurel Lane Golf Course for an event sponsored by the URI Turf Alumni; separate fee (to be determined) paid to Rhode Island Turfgrass Association.**

Contact Vicki Wallace at [vhwallace@cox.net](mailto:vhwallace@cox.net).



## Pre-Register NOW!

Registration and payment must be received by August 8<sup>th</sup> for vendors. Pre-registration by August 8<sup>th</sup> is suggested for everyone. Admittance fee increases to \$40 after August 8<sup>th</sup>. Vendor booth fee includes one registration. Registration includes the cost of breakfast and a URI Field Day Book. Charges for the post-Field Day event at Laurel Lane are separate. Make checks payable to: **URI Turfgrass Foundation**, and send to Dr. Rebecca Brown – URI Turfgrass Field Day, University of Rhode Island, Dept. of Plant Sciences, 210 Woodward Hall, Kingston, RI 02881 (send payment along with the completed form below). Please call 401-874-2791 for additional information.

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