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Sports Turf Association

23rd Annual Field Day

September 23, 2010

Hespeler Beehive Hall
Optimist Park
Cambridge, ON

...for better, safer sports turf



Sessions & Speakers

Best Management Practices for Optimizing Athletic Field Playing Conditions John Sorochan, University of Tennessee

This session will focus on the basics of the primary cultural practices for optimizing turfgrass growth and minimizing wear from athletic field traffic. Cultural practices and turfgrass species selection and management will be emphasized.

Dr. Sorochan is an Associate Professor of Turfgrass Science and Management at the University of Tennessee. His research program coordinates investigations on environmental turf stress physiology for golf course turf. It also includes athletic field management incorporating field performance and safety, new cultivar and species evaluation for management and use, sustainable strategies for reduced inputs, and residential turf and sod production.

John has extensive experience in turf research beginning at Michigan State University in 1993 with the Pontiac Silverdome World Cup Soccer Project. As a research technician he oversaw and conducted numerous sports turf projects including the indoor soccer stadium turf project in La Plata, Argentina. Other responsibilities included the supervision and installation of soccer pitches for three Spanish La Liga Soccer teams, Club Atletico de Madrid, Athletic Club Bilbao and Real Madrid.

Putting IPM into Action Katerina Jordan, University of Guelph

Dr. Jordan will discuss the principles of integrated pest management as they relate to athletic field management with an emphasis on scouting and recognizing pests and stressors before they become unmanageable. Katerina will list and describe the various pests commonly found on athletic fields and tricks for recognizing symptoms as well as cultural practices for sound management and the promotion of healthy turf.

Katerina Jordan is an Assistant Professor of Turfgrass Science at the University of Guelph. Her areas of research emphasis are in integrated pest management, plant pa-

thology and application of best management practices for healthy, sustainable turf. She also teaches in the Turfgrass Diploma Program and to undergraduate students where her courses focus on IPM and biological control of plant diseases and pests. Katerina has been involved in teaching IPM preparatory courses for accreditation throughout Ontario and has held numerous all day seminars on implementing IPM on all sectors of turfgrass management.

Root Zone Selection and Management for Athletic Fields John Sorochan, University of Tennessee

Determining optimal root zone materials based on agronomics, engineering properties, and playability for sports will be the emphasis of this session. Root zone selection and management will be discussed.

New Pesticides: What Do They Look Like? Eric Lyons, University of Guelph

Many of the new products act differently than the traditional pesticides that we have used in the past. This session will provide an overview of some of the new products on the market and also provide background as to what they look like when they are working so the operator in the field can report on the effectiveness of the products being applied. In addition to an overview of the products, a tour of different products applied to weeds will be given.

Dr. Eric Lyons is an Associate Professor in the Department of Plant Agriculture at the University of Guelph and currently teaches in both the Diploma in Turfgrass Management Program and in the Department of Plant Agriculture. Dr. Lyons specializes in nutrient management, stress physiology and plant competition in golf course, athletic field, and landscape turf. In addition, Dr. Lyons oversees extensive testing of new emerging products for turfgrass managers and has authored or co-authored in excess of 50 scientific, extension and trade articles in the field of turfgrass science and management.

Program

- 8:15–9:00 **Registration and Refreshments with Indoor Exhibitors**
- 9:00–9:15 **Opening Remarks**
- 9:15–10:15 **Best Management Practices for Optimizing Athletic Field Playing Conditions**
Dr. John Sorochan
University of Tennessee
- 10:15–10:45 **Refreshments with Indoor Exhibitors**
- 10:45–11:30 **Putting IPM into Action**
Dr. Katerina Jordan
University of Guelph
- 11:30–12:30 **Root Zone Selection and Management for Athletic Fields**
Dr. John Sorochan
University of Tennessee
- 12:30–1:15 **Lunch**
- 1:15–2:00 **New Pesticides: What Do They Look Like?**
Dr. Eric Lyons
University of Guelph
- 2:00–3:00 **Meet with Outdoor Exhibitors**

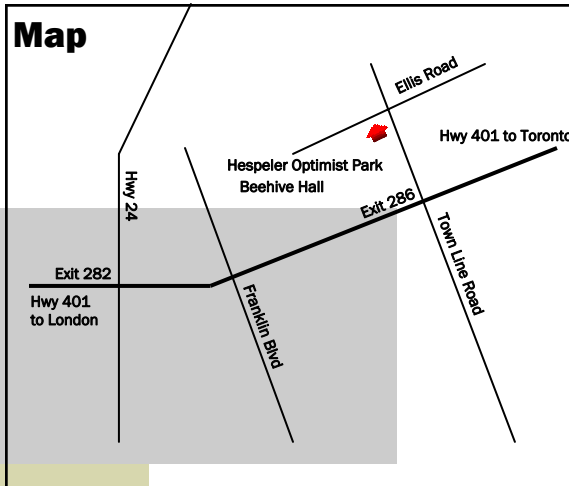
Directions

Optimist Park
Hespeler Beehive Hall
640 Ellis Road
Cambridge, ON



From Hwy 401: Hwy 401 to Town Line Road, Exit 286. North on Town Line Road to Ellis Road. West (left) on Ellis Road to Optimist Park. Optimist Park and the Hespeler Beehive Hall are on the left side of the road.

Map



Suggested Accommodation

Holiday Inn Cambridge—200 Holiday Inn Drive, Cambridge
519-658-4601

Comfort Inn—220 Holiday Inn Drive, Cambridge
519-658-1100

Homewood Suites—800 Jamieson Parkway, Cambridge
519-651-2888

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Registrant Fees

Pre-registration by September 15, 2010 is required

Registration includes educational sessions, registration and morning refreshments & lunch

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