

28th Ontario Turfgrass Symposium

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February 20-21, 2019

University of Guelph, Rozanski Hall



28th Annual Ontario Turfgrass Symposium – Schedule*

Wednesday, February 20, 2019

General Sessions: 8:45 to 9:45 a.m. – Room 1

- **Welcome**
Eric Lyons, Director, Guelph Turfgrass Institute
- **GTI 2.0: Designing and Growing-In, a Research Station for the Future of Turfgrass Research in Canada**
Cam Shaw, Communications and Outreach Coordinator, Guelph Turfgrass Institute, University of Guelph

Break: 9:45 to 10 a.m.

Concurrent Morning Sessions:

Time	Golf (Room 1)	Lawn Care (Room 2)	Sports Turf/Recreation Facilities (Room 3)
10 – 10:50 a.m.	OTRF Update 2018: The Summer That Just Wouldn't End! David Oatis, United States Golf Association CGSA=0.75 IPM=0.75 ORFA=0.75	PLCAO Update Soil Testing and Interpretation David Smith, DSC & Associates CGSA=0.75 IPM=0.75 ORFA=0.75	STC/ORFA Update Sports Turf Manager of the Year Joe Breedon, City of Barrie ORFA=0.75
11 – 11:45 a.m.	Turf Diagnostics: The Year in Review Dr. Katerina Jordan, University of Guelph CGSA=0.75 IPM=0.75 ORFA=0.75	Best Management Practices for Lawn Conversion and Renovation Using Overseeding Dr. Eric Lyons, University of Guelph IPM=0.75 ORFA=0.75	Managing Your Premises Risks & Liabilities Adrian Pytka and Jennifer Sandison, Frank Cowan Company ORFA=0.75

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Lunch: Noon to 1:30 p.m.

Lunch n' Learn: 12:15 to 1 p.m. – Room 3

- **Auditing Your Irrigation System**
Gary Taylor, GT Irrigation Services
CGSA=0.75 | IPM=0.75 | ORFA=0.75

Concurrent Afternoon Sessions:

Time	Golf - Wednesday Room 1	Lawn Care Room 2	Sports Turf/Recreation Facilities Room 3
1:30 – 2:15 p.m.	GPS Turf Management Technology: The Real Benefits Marcus Thigpen, Turf Geeks CGSA=0.75 IPM=0.75 ORFA=0.75	Understanding Nematodes: How You can Help them Work For You Dr. Katerina Jordan, University of Guelph CGSA=0.75 IPM=0.75 ORFA=0.75	Turf Infrastructure and Life Cycle Planning Dr. Eric Lyons, University of Guelph (Double Session - 90 minutes) IPM=0.75 ORFA=1.5
2:30 – 3:15 p.m.	Adapting to the New Economy: Finding New Ways to Do More with Less David Oatis, United States Golf Association CGSA=0.75 IPM=0.75 ORFA=0.75	Building Client Trust in a Changing Business World Curt Hammond, Pearl Street Communications ORFA=0.75	Turf Infrastructure and Life Cycle Planning, Continued Dr. Eric Lyons, University of Guelph

Evening Social: 3:15 p.m. – Bullring

Thursday, February 21, 2019

General Sessions: 8:45 to 9:45 a.m. – Room 1

- **Welcome and DTM Program Update**
Steve Fleischauer, Director, Associate Diploma in Turfgrass Management, University of Guelph
- **Breeding Research and Seed Cultivar Updates**
Dr. William Meyer, Professor, Director of Turfgrass Breeding, Rutgers University
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Break: 9:45 to 10 a.m.

Concurrent Morning Sessions:

Time	Golf – Thursday Room 1	Lawn Care Room 2	Sports Turf/Recreation Facilities Room 3	Nursery Sod Room 4
10 – 10:45 a.m.	Plant Growth Regulators Effect on Survival of Putting Greens during Thawing Events in Late Winter Corey Flude and Dr. Eric Lyons, University of Guelph CGSA=0.75 IPM=0.75 ORFA=0.75	What to Expect when Inspected Suzanne Durst, Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks IPM=0.38 ORFA=0.75	Discussing the Use of Sports Field Maintenance Days Sports Turf Canada Panel ORFA=0.75	Digging Deeper into Soil Health for Sod Production Anne Verhallen Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (Double Session - 90 minutes) IPM=1.5 ORFA=1.5
11 – 11:45 a.m.	Dollar Spot Fungus on the Move: Changes in Name and Fungicide Resistance Dr. Tom Hsiang and Moez Valliani, University of Guelph CGSA=0.75 IPM=0.75 ORFA=0.75	Understanding the Soil Food Web and Methods to Enhance It Justin Parsons Lawn Life Natural Turf Products CGSA=0.75 IPM=0.75 ORFA=0.75	Ball Diamond Field Lip Management Joe Breedon, City of Barrie ORFA=0.75	Digging Deeper into Soil Health for Sod Production - continued Anne Verhallen, Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs

Lunch: Noon to 1:30 p.m.

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- **Increasing the Nutrient Use Efficiency and Plant Vigor by Applications of Biostimulants and Plant Growth Promoting Microorganisms**
George Lazarovits, Research Director, A&L Biologicals
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Concurrent Afternoon Sessions:

Time	Workshop Room 1	Sports Turf / Recreation Facilities / Lawn Care Room 3	Nursery Sod Room 4
1:30 – 3:15 p.m.	Using Chemistry Properly – A Discussion of Best Management Practices to Ensure the Proper Use and Activity of the Chosen Product Rick Fletcher, NuFarm America Inc. (Double session – 90 minutes) CGSA=1.5 IPM=1.5 ORFA=1.5	Understanding the Nitrogen Web Dr. Eric Lyons, University of Guelph CGSA=0.75 IPM=0.75 ORFA=0.75	Recommended Cultivars for Sod Growers Dr. William Meyer, Rutgers University IPM=0.75 ORFA=0.75
2:30 to 3:15 p.m.	Using Chemistry Properly – continued Rick Fletcher, NuFarm America Inc.	Development of Natural Turf Horse Racing Surface Sean Gault, Woodbine Entertainment Group & Dave C. Smith, DSC & Associates ORFA=0.75	Compaction: Causes and Considerations Alex Barrie, Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs IPM=0.38 ORFA=0.75

*We reserve the right to substitute speakers or cancel sessions if necessary. Schedule is subject to change.

Summary of Continuing Education Points

Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA)

- Wednesday, Feb 20, 2019 – 0.45 Education Points. Approval Code: 999-22237-29224
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Canadian Golf Superintendents Association (CGSA)

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IPM Council of Canada

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