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.

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| 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  
  Len Bennett, 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

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<td>1:30 – 2:15 p.m.</td>
<td>GPS Turf Management Technology: The Real Benefits Marcus Thigpen, Turf Geeks CGSA=0.75</td>
<td>Understanding Nematodes: How You can Help them Work For You Dr. Katerina Jordan, University of Guelph CGSA=0.75</td>
<td>Turf Infrastructure and Life Cycle Planning Dr. Eric Lyons, University of Guelph (Double Session - 90 minutes) IPM=0.75</td>
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<td>Marcus Thigpen, Turf Geeks CGSA=0.75</td>
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<td>2:30 – 3:15 p.m.</td>
<td>Adapting to the New Economy: Finding New Ways to Do More with Less David Oatis, United States Golf Association CGSA=0.75</td>
<td>Building Client Trust in a Changing Business World Curt Hammond, Pearl Street Communications ORFA=0.75</td>
<td>Turf Infrastructure and Life Cycle Planning, Continued Dr. Eric Lyons, University of Guelph</td>
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 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
  CGSA=1.0 | IPM=0.75 | ORFA=0.75
Break: 9:45 to 10 a.m.

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| 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.

Lunch n’ Learn: 12:15 to 1 p.m. – Room 3
- **Increasing the Nutrient Use Efficiency and Plant Vigor by Applications of Biostimulants and Plant Growth Promoting Microorganisms**  
George Lazarovits, Research Director, A&L Biologicals  
CGSA=0.75 | IPM=0.75 | ORFA=0.75
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<td><strong>Understanding the Nitrogen Web</strong>&lt;br&gt;Dr. Eric Lyons, University of Guelph&lt;br&gt;CGSA=0.75</td>
<td><strong>Recommended Cultivars for Sod Growers</strong>&lt;br&gt;Dr. William Meyer, Rutgers University&lt;br&gt;IPM=0.75</td>
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<td><strong>Using Chemistry Properly – continued</strong>&lt;br&gt;Rick Fletcher, NuFarm America Inc.</td>
<td><strong>Development of Natural Turf Horse Racing Surface</strong>&lt;br&gt;Sean Gault, Woodbine Entertainment Group &amp; Dave C. Smith, DSC &amp; Associates&lt;br&gt;ORFA=0.75</td>
<td><strong>Compaction: Causes and Considerations</strong>&lt;br&gt;Alex Barrie, Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs&lt;br&gt;IPM=0.38</td>
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**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
- Thursday, Feb 21, 2019 – 0.45 Education Points. Approval Code: 999-22237-29225

**Canadian Golf Superintendents Association (CGSA)**
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**IPM Council of Canada**
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