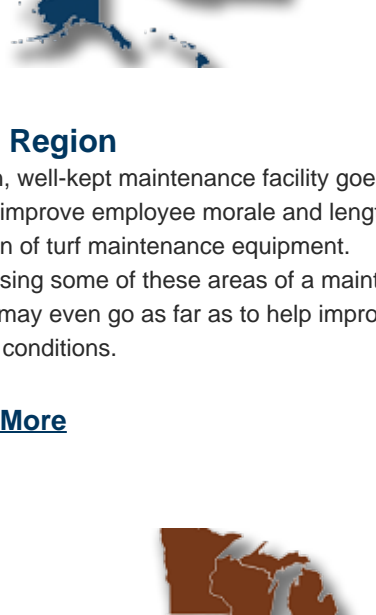


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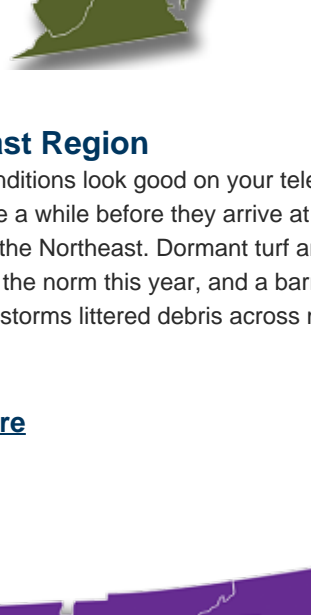
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A clean, well-kept maintenance facility goes a long way to improve employee morale and lengthen the life span of turf maintenance equipment. Addressing some of these areas of a maintenance facility may even go as far as to help improve course conditions.

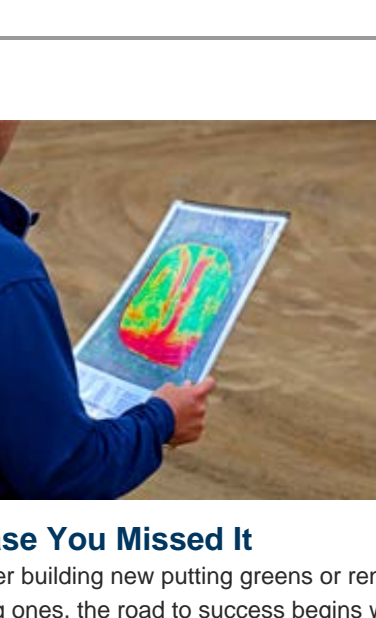
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Northeast Region

Playing conditions look good on your television, but it will be a while before they arrive at golf courses in the Northeast. Dormant turf and uneven growth are the norm this year, and a barrage of late-winter storms littered debris across most golf courses.

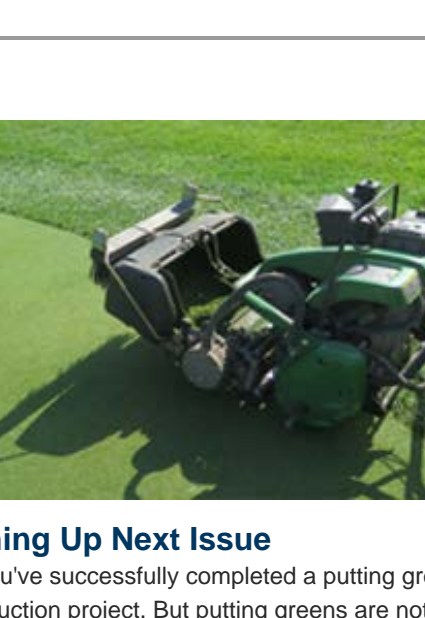
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Central Region

Variable weather patterns during March provide one last chance for significant turfgrass winter injury. Look for these signs of potential trouble, especially on *Poa annua* putting greens. A little diligence now can go a long way to protect playing surfaces.

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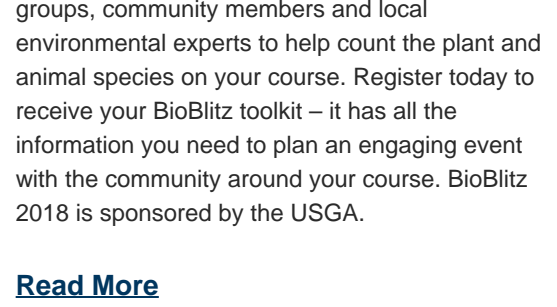


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Are you struggling with black algae on putting greens? This opportunistic occupier is not algae but in fact cyanobacteria that can considerably slow turf recovery. Control can be challenging but consider these management practices if cyanobacteria is a problem at your course.

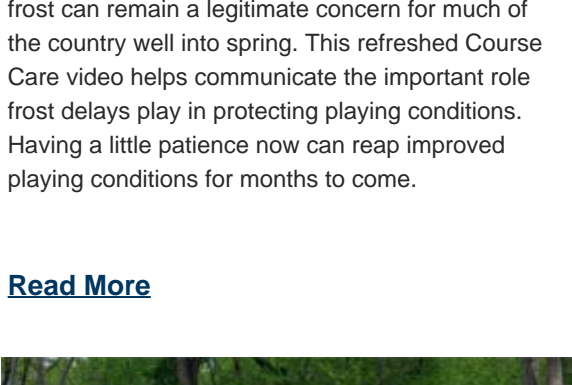
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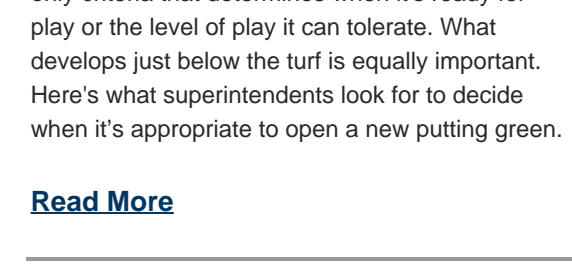
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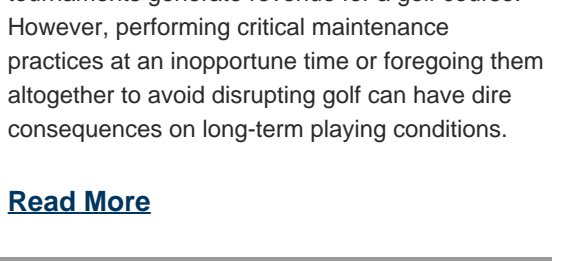
Fore The Gopher: Frost Delay - It's Worth The Wait
As the snow begins to melt and golfers become eager to dust off their clubs and head for the first tee, it's important to remember that the threat of frost can remain a legitimate concern for much of the country well into spring. This refreshed Course Care video helps communicate the important role frost delays play in protecting playing conditions. Having a little patience now can reap improved playing conditions for months to come.

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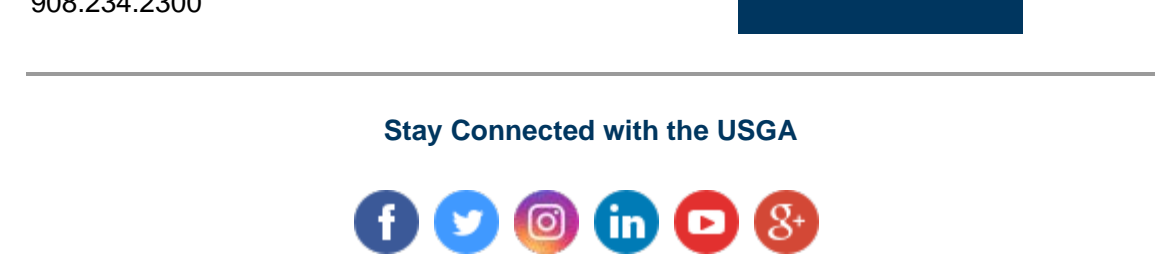
Fore The Gopher: What To Expect When You Expect New Greens
The turf on a new putting green might look ready for play, but looks can be deceiving. How a new putting green appears from the surface isn't the only criteria that determines when it's ready for play or the level of play it can tolerate. What develops just below the turf is equally important. Here's what superintendents look for to decide when it's appropriate to open a new putting green.

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Fore The Gopher: Do The Right Thing, At The Right Time
It may be convenient to schedule golf course maintenance around the events on a golf calendar; after all daily play, outings and tournaments generate revenue for a golf course. However, performing critical maintenance practices at an inopportune time or foregoing them altogether to avoid disrupting golf can have dire consequences on long-term playing conditions.

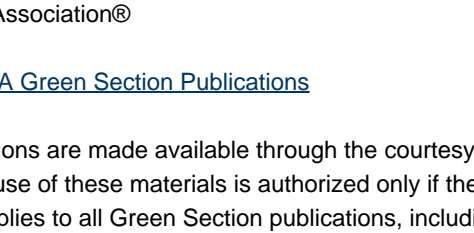
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