

## Regional Updates



### West Region

Late spring and early summer can be rough for superintendents in the Southwest as they prepare to recuperate bermudagrass from overseeding.

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### Northeast Region

Spring weather brings relief and despair to golf courses as some see little or no winter injury while others must recover from extensive damage.

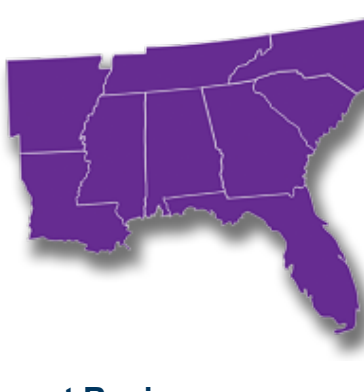
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### Central Region

Several new zoysiagrass cultivars developed specifically for putting surfaces show promise in the transition zone.

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### Southeast Region

Public golf courses face many challenges, but these strategies can help them keep the doors open for all golfers.

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### In Case You Missed It

The monarch butterfly has experienced a steep decline in population. Golf courses are in a unique position to help because out-of-play areas can be devoted to providing habitat. As we approach Earth Day, review the April 5, 2019 issue of the USGA *Green Section Record* for information about initiatives to help protect the monarch butterfly and other pollinators.

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### Coming Up Next Issue

Sand topdressing is one of the most important practices for producing quality putting surfaces. The May 3, 2019 issue of the USGA *Green Section Record* shares results from field observations and recent research on the type of sand and quantity of topdressing needed to successfully manage thatch and organic matter accumulation in putting greens.

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## Latest From Course Care

### Course Care Video



#### Golf Course Aeration: The (W)hole Story

Putting green aeration is a common practice at many golf facilities each spring. While the disruption can be frustrating as nice weather begins to arrive, it is important to understand that the temporary inconvenience will set the stage for great playing conditions throughout the year.

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### Turf Tip



#### Using A Drone To Scout Turf Stress

Having a better understanding of the various turf issues on a golf course is a key part of using resources efficiently. Utilizing aerial drones to scout for problems can help superintendents conserve water, address shade issues and get the most from valuable staff time.

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## Research You Should Know



### A New Way to Irrigate Tees

Subsurface drip irrigation has been used to water bunker banks on golf courses for many years, but did you know it can also be used to irrigate tees with extreme precision? Recent tests in New Mexico show significant water savings by using this method with no detrimental effect on turf quality.

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## Fore The Golfer



### The Value Of Native Areas

Native areas are becoming increasingly popular on golf courses as facilities look to reduce inputs, create habitat and enhance aesthetics. To get the most benefit from native areas, they must be carefully planned and located, and realistic expectations for aesthetics and playability must be established.

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