

Regional Updates

WEST



A Tip of the Hat to Two Legends out West

The contributions of Larry Gilhuly and Pat Gross to the Green Section's work in the West were missed in 2020.

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NORTHEAST



There is No Such Thing as an Offseason

It has never been easier for superintendents and their teams to build skills and knowledge during the winter.

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CENTRAL



Looking Back to Move Forward

Assessing the successes and struggles of the previous golf season can be an effective strategy for improving a golf course maintenance operation in the future.

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SOUTHEAST



New Year, New Roots

Don't discount the role that roots play in providing good putting surfaces. This year, commit to several simple practices that can encourage a healthier root system.

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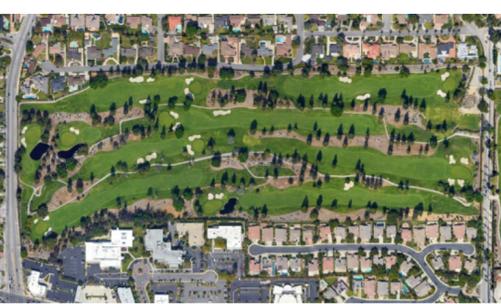
In Case You Missed It



We created a lot of great educational content in 2020 on topics including selecting bunker sand, trends in aeration, and building a modern maintenance staff. We also celebrated the 100th anniversary of the USGA Green Section by highlighting some past articles and looking forward to what the Green Section has planned for the years to come. Be sure to look through last year's issues to make sure you didn't miss anything!

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Coming Up Next Issue



To better understand how golf courses have evolved and how they may change in the future, the USGA undertook an extensive study of golf course aerial photos. In the February 5, 2021, issue of the USGA *Green Section Record*, we discuss the results of that research and how the trends we observed may impact our enjoyment of the game, what it costs to play, golf's footprint in our society and the long-term viability of the sport.

Latest From Course Care

INDUSTRY UPDATE



USGA Agronomists on the Move

We're pleased to announce the relocation of two USGA agronomists. While you may see a new face during your Course Consulting Service visit, you can expect the same great service.

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Root Shear on the Golf Course

A mild winter day can be a great chance to play golf, but there is a risk of serious course damage if the surface thaws and soil is frozen below. Learn more about the risk of root shear.

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Connect With the USGA at the 2021 Golf Industry Show



[What You Need to Know: Developing a Comprehensive Water Management Plan](#)

This session will cover the importance and the benefits of developing a written water management plan and provide tools to help superintendents create a site-specific plan.



[Bunker Sand Selection - Key Insights to Help You Make the Right Choice](#)

This session will summarize the key bunker sand characteristics and provide practical sand selection guidelines for bunkers given a range of architectural styles, climatic conditions, lining materials and golfer expectations.



[Bunkers - Everything you Wanted to Know and More](#)

This session provides an overview of what is new in bunker construction, costs, and maintenance and when different methods should be considered. Your team will take away strategies to maximize bunker performance while taking your budget into account.

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