

# 2009 Sports Turf Managers Association Conference "John Mascaro's Photo Quiz"

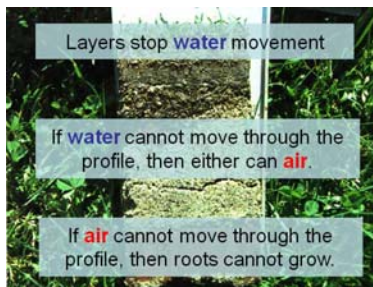
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Since this talk is compilation of photos from my Photo Quiz article in the SportsTurf Magazine and also Golf Course Management Magazine, most material covered in this talk can be found in past issues of the magazines. They also are located online at Michigan State University's Turfgrass Information Services (TIF). Below are some additional points not printed in either magazine that I made in the power point presentation.

GCM Issue: December 2002  
Turfgrass Area: Golf Green  
Location: Southeastern United States  
Problem: Green had consistently thin grass and poor infiltration.



Answer - Layering, Layers Stop water movement, decrease infiltration and cause shallow roots.



GCM Issue: January 2004  
Turfgrass Area: Athletic Field  
Location: Central Florida  
Problem: The turf is thin with the exception of the strip in the center.



Answer: Infrequent Verti-Cutting and a missed strip causing a "Mohawk". Verticutting should be performed before turf is this thin. 1955, Tom Mascaro invented Verti-Cut with West Point Products Corporation.

SportsTurf Issue: September 2006  
Turfgrass Area: Stadium Field  
Location: University of Colorado, Boulder  
Problem: Brown area on field



Answer Concert: Several slides showing concert and effects on turfgrass.

Sports Turf Issue: July 2006  
Turfgrass Area: Athletic Field  
Location: Eastern United States.  
Grass Variety: Bermudagrass overseeded with rye.  
Problem: Brown lines on turf.



Answer: A fan of good grass decided the field needed a pre-emergence herbicide and fertilizer blend and did not water it in properly.

GCM Issue: February 2009 (Not Run yet)  
Turfgrass Area: Stadium Field  
Location: Beijing, China  
Grass Variety: Bluegrass Blend  
Problem: Bear spots void of grass



Answer: Olympics: Track and Field Events "Birds Nest" Stadium in Beijing, China, home of the 2008 summer Olympics.

Also additional pictures of movable field used for Olympics developed at Michigan State University.



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