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### 14 USING TARPS TO IMPROVE WINTER PLAYING CONDITIONS

Tarps have enabled sports turf managers to take most of the mud, snow and ice out of winter sports. Turf can remain firm and dry with a few tarp tricks practiced at Cleveland Stadium and the Cleveland Browns winter training center. David Frey, director of field maintenance, describes how uncovering fields between games allows the playing surface to release moisture trapped beneath tarps, a process he calls freeze drying.

### 21 FERTILIZING HIGH-TRAFFIC TURF

Keeping high-traffic sports turf safe, durable and aesthetically attractive requires a strong basic knowledge of nutrients and their impact on turf. Turf specialists from the University of California at Riverside review today's fertilizers in relationship to injury recovery, forced growth, stress resistance and color. For the benefits it provides, fertilizer is a low-cost supply item.

### 26 IRRIGATION ALLOWS SASKATOON TO CELEBRATE SUMMER

The park department in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada, has transformed more than 3,000 acres of land into a recreational greenbelt with the help of advancements in irrigation during the past 11 years. Improvements carried out by park foreman Phil Kabatoff allow Saskatoon residents to get the most out of their short summer despite average rainfall equivalent to Las Vegas. The proud city will host the 1989 Canada Summer Games as proof of the value of irrigation and quality sports turf.

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**COVER:** Crew at the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum takes advantage of a break between events to fertilize the field.  
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