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No one mower can "do it all" — there are applications to which reel mowers are better-suited than rotary mowers, and vice-versa. Making an informed choice between the two means knowing their individual strengths, as well as your own cutting needs.

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A carefully design fertilizer program makes other aspects of turfgrass management easier. Still, it's critical for the fertilization schedule to be flexible enough to account for changing conditions. John Wildmon, an instructor at Lake City Community College, Lake City, FL, explains and reviews key factors that will affect your fertilization decisions.

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Todd Detzel, head groundskeeper for the Laytonville Unified School District in northern California, didn't have much luck with seed pregermination or priming. Then he began experimenting. The result was "Speed Seed" pregermination, a process Detzel says makes his seeding chores faster and easier.

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Commitment to excellence is the driving force behind the 1993 Sports Turf Managers Association Football Field of the Year — Fitton Field, the varsity gridiron of the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, MA. Just ask Superintendent of Grounds James D. Long who has been with the department for 35 years.

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