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Turf management practices done in the fall will have a major effect on the quality of turf the following spring, and fertilization is one of the most important. Dr. Paul E. Rieke, turf extension specialist at Michigan State University, takes a look at some of the important factors concerning fall fertilization.

10 Extending Field Use With Covers

Field covers are an important tool in providing playable conditions on sports fields. The best field covers manufactured today keep turf protected from rain, snow, ice and even cold temperatures. Steve and Suz Trusty asked sports turf managers how they use field covers to extend the season.

14 Turf of the Month: Bentgrasses for Lawn Bowling
Bentgrass is not often categorized as a sports turf, at least not in the
sense that other species, such as bermudagrass and ryegrass are.
Bentgrass, however, is the primary cool-season turfgrass for the
sport of lawn bowling.

22 Chemical Log: Regreening Dormant Turf With Paints and Dyes

Keeping turf a consistent green color is a high priority for sports turf managers who maintain high-profile athletic facilities. While overseeding is commonly used when warm-season grasses go dormant, sometimes a quick fix is needed in time for an important game or a television appearance. Paints and dyes can provide quick color in these emergency situations.

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The sport of lawn bowling requires proper upkeep and attention to maintain good playing conditions. Photo courtesy Joe Siegman, ALBA.