Welcome to our new research editor

Wile we still haven’t decided if the title “Research Editor” is better than “Technical Editor,” we have decided that Dr. Scott McElroy, assistant professor of turfgrass weed science for the University of Tennessee, will be heading our continuous search for the best sports turf scientific information available.

Scott, as a good Orange and White staff member would, “volunteered” for this job and we are grateful. It will benefit you tremendously to have an expert turfman to search out the latest relevant research, and by that we mean to bring you information with which perhaps you can turn around and use in your jobs tomorrow.

Scott will be working to present the latest data with those researchers whose output he identifies as being relevant to us, as well as how you can use it. We look forward to working with him to achieve those goals.

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STMA CEO Kim Heck serves not only as a tremendous resource but also a strong advocate for her members, and her advice is invaluable. Special thanks also to “Q&A” columnists, Drs. Dave Minner and Grady Miller, for their generous support and expertise, as well as to all the members of the STMA’s Editorial Communications Committee, Mike Andresen, CSFM, Chris Calcaterra, CSFM, Tra DuBois, Jeff Fowler, Tom Gmelch, Carl Larson, Larry Rhodes, CSFM, and Jay Warnick, CSFM.

Happiest holidays to all of them, and to all of you.