

JOHN MASCARO'S PHOTO QUIZ

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Can you identify this sports turf problem?

Problem: Holes on soccer field sidelines

Turfgrass area: Resort soccer field

Location: Banff, Alberta, Canada

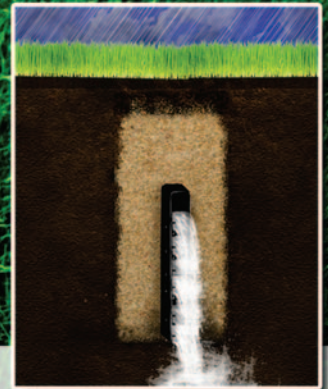
Grass Variety: Bluegrass/Ryegrass Blend

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THE HOLES ON THIS SOCCER FIELD SIDELINE are not moorings for new bleachers; they were caused by ground squirrels. At this resort hotel in Alberta, Canada, ground squirrels have taken up residency on the sidelines of this soccer field. The squirrels dig these tunnels into the ground and hibernate over the winter. In the springtime when I took this photo, the squirrels had emerged and the soccer field was also being grown back in for summer play. The ground squirrels are not a protected species in this part of the country unless they are on National Park Land. However they are food for many species of weasels, badgers, foxes, hawks and prairie falcons. They also are a nice addition to the landscape for the many tourists that visit this area to see when visiting this resort. They are allowed to reside here on the sidelines as long as they don't burrow into the playing area of this field.

Photo from John Mascaro's collection.



If you would like to submit a photograph for John Mascaro's Photo Quiz please send it to John Mascaro, 1471 Capital Circle NW, Ste # 13, Tallahassee, FL 32303 call (850) 580-4026 or email to john@turf-tec.com. If your photograph is selected, you will receive full credit. All photos submitted will become property of *SportsTurf* magazine and the Sports Turf Managers Association.

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