Problem: Brown rectangular area with green center

Turfgrass area: Major League Baseball stadium

Location: San Diego, California

Grass Variety: TifSport Bermuda overseeded with perennial rye

Answer to John Mascaro’s Photo Quiz on Page 33

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THE BROWN RECTANGULAR AREA with a green center is the result of a party. When the Golf Industry Show was in San Diego this past January, Petco Park (home of the MLB San Diego Padres), located right across the street from the convention center, was a prime location for several events during the show. In addition to hosting numerous tours and some equipment demonstrations, Petco Park also was the site of a large reception put on by one of the major mower manufacturers. The event featured live music, several bars, tables and chairs set up in the infield and the outfield. Several food stations were also set up at various locations around the field. The rectangular area in the photo was where one of the more popular food stations was located and the green area is where a table and a grill were located. The brown area was caused by people standing to pick up their food. The sports turf manager was not upset about the damage as the field was scheduled for a complete renovation about 2 weeks after this event was held.

Thanks to Luke Yoder, Sports Turf Manager at Petco Park in San Diego, for allowing me to take these pictures.