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Tennis is played on a wider assortment of surfaces than any other outdoor sport. At the same time, tennis players want to try their games out on a wider variety of surfaces. Fred Allen of Seabright Lawn Tennis Club gives fellow sports turf managers a look at management of more than one type of tennis surface.

### 20 FIGHTING THE MUNI BLUES RANCHO PARK OVERCOMES BUREAUCRACY

While some municipal golf courses are being strangled by low budgets, bureaucracy and worker neglect, Rancho Park Golf Course in Los Angeles, CA, is booming with nearly 140,000 rounds in 1985. Superintendent Ken Novak explains how he can rebuild greens and beef up maintenance at a time when many courses are signing contracts with golf course management firms to regain control.

#### 26 DAYTONA SPEEDWAY JOINS THE RACE FOR SAFE, QUALITY TURF

The only time someone uses Dick Hahne's four acres of lush bermudagrass is when he's in trouble. The Speedway infield benefits from a unique irrigation system designed by a motocross track designer whose main concern was dust control. In the minds of the track owners, the Daytona "football field" is worth every penny.

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