

Turf Times Ear to the Ground



Latest News and Industry Updates

Roger Parish has moved on from being the Superintendent at Narrows Golf Club to pursue a new career direction. He has been replaced by **Steven Grinter**, who was formerly the Superintendent at Ngahinepouri Golf Club.

Toby Hoey, formerly at The Pines in Whangarei, is now Superintendent at The Dunes in Matarangi.

After almost 10 years service with Advanced Irrigation Systems Ltd, **Martin Jones** left the company in March 2009 to pursue other interests.

Ramesh Patel has resigned as CEO of NZ Hockey, choosing instead to take up the role of High Performance Manager for NZ Hockey.

Events

Auckland and North Harbour Greenkeeping Association held their annual bowling Tournament at the Hillsboro' Bowling Club on the 30th March. 18 teams participated in the event with congratulations going to Mangere Bowling Club as the overall winners.

Annual Awards Presented included:

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| Greenkeeper of the Year | • Paul Hickey - Howick |
| Professional Greenkeeper of the Year | • Warwick Fredrikson - New Lynn |
| Young Greenkeeper of the Year | • S Cottroll - Oneroa |
| Services to Greenkeeping | • D Matthews - Birkenhead |
| Non Professional Greenkeeper | • H Keane - West End |
| Green Superintendant of the Year | • Milford Bowling Club |
| Tenacity Cup | • R Cowper - Helensville |



Delegate Registrations for the 2009 New Zealand Turf Conference & Trade Show (to be held over the period 29th June to 2nd July 2009) are OPEN! For an information pack, or to register, go to www.nzturfconference.org.nz

Items of Interest

Want to know more about the LCP (Limited Credit Programme) Cricket Turf Training? Contact Baz at the NZSTITO for a course content pack Email: bwoodcock@nzstito.org.nz Ph: 027 5001333



Surviving the Recession? How's it going for you...?

The NZ Sports Turf Industry Training Organisation (NZSTITO) wants to hear from any organisations that are feeling the effects of the economic downturn. We would like to know what is happening and how it is affecting your work and business.

We encourage you to make contact with the ITO if you think you are at risk, or are making changes that might benefit from some ITO training advice and support. Please make contact by ringing 0508 346 346 ext 710 or 727. Watch out for the next NZ Turf Management Journal for an article on how the ITO may be able to help.

ERMA have completed their assessment of MSMA and recommended it be withdrawn from the market. The final decision on MSMA is pending.

Redexim has extended its innovative range of artificial surface maintenance machinery with the X-Treme Clean brushing machine.



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