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Turf Tips



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WHY IS MY NEIGHBOUR'S LAWN GREENER?

This is a question I am asked quite frequently. There are many factors which determine how green your lawn can be. The following are a few of these factors and how they affect the colour.

Water is the key factor in keeping your lawn green. A dry lawn is usually a brown lawn. Cutting your lawn regularly with a sharp mower blade will make your lawn "appear" greener because it will not leave straggly, rough tips which give the lawn an ugly, gray appearance.

Cutting height is also important. If you are cutting your lawn below 2", more water will be necessary. Cutting your lawn 2 - 2 1/2" will allow the grass to store up to 1/2" more water. This will cut down on watering and keep your lawn greener. This is very beneficial for those of you who are on wells.

The type of grass you have in your lawn will determine the "colour" of green your lawn will be. Kentucky Bluegrass is the most common home lawn grass type. It is also the greenest. Fine Fescue grass (found in sunny and shady areas) is a fine textured, lighter green type of grass. A little fescue is good, too much is bad. Creeping bentgrass is another fine textured, lighter green grass commonly found in moist, shady areas. Bentgrass is very delicate, grows very low and requires a lot of tender loving care. There are many different types of grasses. A mixture of grasses is best for your lawn so you can benefit from the strengths of each.

As most of you are aware, fertilizer can make a green lawn greener. Your lawn is always greenest shortly after a fertilizer application. The colour should be consistent for 6 to 10 weeks. As the fertilizer reaches the end of this period, a second application should be applied. Timing is important in maintaining your lawns health and colour through the season. Please read the directions carefully.

Other factors such as soil conditions and the landscaping around your lawn (ie: heavily shaded areas) can also determine the colour of green you can expect.

NEXT WEEK: WHITE GRUBS



WE CARE FOR YOUR LAWN!

This is a weekly lawn care column.

For additional information contact Duncan or Eileen

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Sports

SCOREBOARD

Soccer

Boys Under 7

Dunlop Insurance Gold Runners - 2
CIBC - 2

Dunlop Insurance Goals: Bryan Lunn, Michael McLean
Noteworthy Players: Corey Carlton, Bryan Lunn, Michael McLean
CIBC Goals: Tom Leferink

Boys Under 8

Rainbow Music - 0
Team #4 Gold - 0

Rainbow Music Noteworthy Players: Brendan Stuart-Hagge, Robert Zomer, Colin Lumb
Gold Noteworthy Players: Nick McLaughlin, Bill Boutasis, Matt Gruenwal

Halton Hills Furniture & Appliances - 2

Royal Rockets - 1
Halton Hills Furniture Goals: Michael Adcock, Michael Zelek
Noteworthy Players: A Whole Team Effort!

Royal Rockets Goal: Todd Gilmore
Noteworthy Players: An Excellent Game Played by All Players!

Boys Under 9

Varian Devil's - 5

Linda Armstrong/Johnson & Associates - 1
Varian Goals: Adam Arnold (3), Aaron Cardon (2)

Noteworthy Players: Ryan White, Adam Arnold, Joseph Upfield
Linda Armstrong Goal: David Ashley

Boys Under 11

Tim Horton Doughnuts - 9
Dutch Nurseries - 3

Tim Horton Goals: Chris Froggett (5), Alastair Cook (2), Peter Bukovcan, Kyle Hall

Noteworthy Players: Chris Froggett, Alastair Cook, Robert Whiteman

Lion's Club - 7

Total Home Improvement - 1

Lion's Club Goals: Paul Burns, Joseph Garvey (2), Paul Westerveld (4)
Noteworthy Players: Matt Knoepfli, Stephen Trotman, Brett Velten

Total Home Improvement Goal: Brian Cherry
Noteworthy Players: The Whole Team Played Very Well!

GBA

Tyke

Here are results from the Georgetown Baseball Association Tyke House League for the week ending July 31

Halton Public Storage Cubs 9 - Barker Cambria Blue Jays 7

In a close-fought contest last Tuesday, Halton Public Storage Cubs nipped the Barker Cambria Press Blue Jays 9-7. The see-saw battle wasn't decided until the final inning.

Ryan Inglis of the Cubs went 4 for 4 and had 4 RBI's. Jason Dicks, Brad Naylor and Philip Stocks all played well for Cubs.

Blue Jay David Gibbons had an all-round excellent game - pitching and hitting well as well as making a timely catch.

Acklands Automotive Pirates 11 - Halton Public Storage Cubs 9
Later in the week Cubs lost a close one 11-9 to the Ackland Automotive Pirates.

Pirates Graham Walker had 2 triples and drove in 6 runs, while John David Albert and Colin Eves each contributed 4 runs to the Pirate attack. Andrew Wills scored the winning run.

Defensively for Pirates, Mike Piques pitched well, shutting down the side in the 4th inning.

Country Style Orioles 9 - KFC Red Sox 4
Also on Friday, Country Style Orioles continued their winning ways with a solid 9-4 effort over the KFC Red Sox.

Evan Golding took one in the elbow for the team while batting in the 2nd inning, and later came in to score. Good base running by Kyle Storey, David Luck and Chris Kirk were also factors in the Oriole offense.

Catcher Matthew Hess made a great defensive throw to Chris Kirk at 2nd to cut down a base stealer, while

later in the game Richard Welsh blocked some good throws to second.

The whole team contributed, with solid efforts coming from pitchers Simon Deeley, Chris Kirk, Matthew Hess and Riley McAnemey.

Slo-Pitch

Competitive

Acton White Sox	14	0	0	28
Halton Hills Chiefs	10	4	0	20
Country Lane	9	3	1	19
Georgetown Sports	8	4	0	16
Hollywood Tavern	5	8	0	10
George & Dragon 2	4	10	0	8
George & Dragon 1	3	10	1	7
Brackey's Brew Jays	0	13	0	0

Recreational

Color Your World	10	4	0	20
Ladner's Mens Wear	10	4	0	20
BFI	9	4	0	18
Boucher Alum. Braves	9	5	0	18
The Butcher Shop	8	6	0	16
Time Out/MVP	8	6	0	16
Belamy's Spitfires	6	7	0	12
RoyalPizza/Daddy's	5	9	0	10
Kinney Diamond	3	11	0	6
Slick Surf Gear	1	13	0	2

Over 30

Sultans of Swat	10	3	1	21
The No Stars	8	4	2	18
A Touch of Grey	7	7	0	14
The SOB's	6	6	1	13
The Kinsmen	4	8	1	9
Data Control Tailgaters	3	10	1	7

Mixed

D.P. Liquidators	14	0	2	30
Ashgrove Welders	9	4	1	19
T & R Paving	8	6	2	18
2 For 1 Pizza	8	6	1	17
The Willow Weeds	8	8	0	16
Major Assets	4	11	0	8
The Brew Crew	0	16	0	0

Milton seeing 'Red' after soccer loss

The Halton Green team and Halton Blue team met at Acton High School on August 10., in girls under-17 soccer action.

Blue team scored early and it took Green team most of the first half to tie the score by a goal from Marci Roy.

The second half saw Kate Blyth

score and Marci Roy added two more goals for her hat trick. Green team took the game 4-1 over Blue. It was Blue team's turn for player shortage this week.

Also on August 10, Halton Red team hosted Milton at Cedervale Park. Halton Red took the game 4-0 with two goals from Cindy Wilson

and two goals from Stephanie O'Brien. Good defensive effort by Courtney O'Brien.

Next games for the Halton teams are on August 17th - Halton Red and Halton Blue meet at Acton High School, 7 p.m. and Halton Green team is hosting Brampton B team at Cedervale Park, 8:30 p.m.

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