

Press release

SPRING IS ARRIVING (SLOWLY)

Verti-Drain as Ice Breaker

After the relatively strong winter virtually everywhere in the Northern hemisphere, it seems that spring will arrive later than usually.



Photo courtesy: Niels Dokkuma-Penn state

From the Country Club at Castle Pines in Castle Rock, Colorado in the USA comes annexed photo.

The golf course aerates lower laying areas of the fairways with the Verti-Drain, in order to break ice. This ice comes from melted snow, which got frozen again, and the tines on the Verti-Drain are set at minimal penetration to crack the ice. Thus it can be taken off easily.

The removal of the ice is important, in order to prevent damage to the Creeping Bent. There is a severe risk of winterkill of Creeping Bent if it is covered for a too long period by ice, meaning that the turf dies, and the course will need to be resodded or reseeded.