

# Superintendent's "Foolproof" Solution for Pesky ABWs

Annual bluegrass weevils (ABW) have proven a persistent challenge for Mark Daniels, superintendent at Wannamoisett Country Club in Rumford, R.I. These tiny black beetles are difficult to spot and tough to control, leaving Daniels desperate to try anything to battle them.

"ABW pressure starts around springtime, so we begin applying adulticides in late April. And it seemed like we were always finding some stage of larvae out on the course creating damage," Daniels says. He recalls using multiple products from different companies and having to continuously reapply throughout the season.

Then he stumbled upon Quali-Pro's Suprado insecticide that specifically targets annual bluegrass weevils.

"Quali-Pro was looking for people to do a trial with ABW products ... I was a part of the trial team testing it out before it went to the market," Daniels says. "I started watching all the webinars they had on it, and Dr. (Ben) McGraw's presentations, and just kept following it."


When it came time to test it on the course, Daniels remembers noticing an immediate difference.

"We started using Suprado against the adults at the very beginning and were able to drop out the additional side applications. We did one application of Suprado and then we didn't need any larvicide for that generation anymore."

With the absence of ABWs and barely any course damage, Daniels quickly added Suprado to his lineup. "We did the exact same treatment again the second year and saw the same fantastic results. It's foolproof," he says.

Daniels utilizes a number of different Quali-Pro products, like Enclave fungicide, insecticides and their plant growth regulators.

"We started with a legacy product, Tebuconazole 3.6F, and it just kind of slowly morphed into using more and more Quali-Pro products every year until we got comfortable with them."

"Everyone I've heard of that uses Quali-Pro products has great results." 



Mark Daniels

“Suprado is my silver bullet. I recommend all supers try it out for themselves. It's a no-brainer to get rid of ABWs.”

## ABW BATTLE

**Battlefield:** Wannamoisett Country Club

**Location:** Rumford, R.I.

### War Story:

Mark Daniels, superintendent, has been battling ABWs with little luck for some time until he tested out Quali-Pro's Suprado, powered by novaluron, a couple years ago.

"Thanks to Suprado our entire treatment program has changed for the better. We don't need a lot of products anymore to battle ABWs. Suprado takes care of them for us. It's been a game-changer."

## WEAPON OF CHOICE

### Proven Solution:

Suprado

### Website:

Suprado.com

