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ASBA Announces 2024 Game Changer Award Winners

Honorees Represent Excellence and Innovation in Supply, Manufacturing for Sports Facilities

FOREST HILL, MD –The American Sports Builders Association (ASBA), the national organization for designers, builders and suppliers of materials for athletic facilities, has announced the winners of its Game Changer awards.

Winners of awards were announced at the Association's 2024 Technical Meeting, presented from December 3-6 in Orlando, Florida. The meeting served as a testament to ASBA's growing membership, as well as its reach in the industry, having a record-breaking attendance of nearly 1,400 individuals.

The Game Changer Awards program allowed attendees in the ASBA's Exhibit Hall to learn about new technologies and products on the market. Attendees were able to vote for those products they thought best exemplified excellence and innovation in the industry. Winners were as follows:

Courts Division

ExtremeScreen80 | [Ball Fabrics, Inc.](#)

ExtremeScreen®80 is a groundbreaking innovation in windscreen that combines the strength and durability of knitted polyethylene with the refined look, stability and texture of premium vinyl-coated windscreens. Unlike traditional windscreens, ExtremeScreen®80 has no coating that can crack or peel, ensuring long-lasting performance. It is designed to resist dry rot and, being made from polyethylene, is non-moisture-absorbent and is 100 percent recyclable. This superior material outperforms both polypropylene and vinyl-coated polyester in longevity.

Fields Division

Modular Drink Rail Systems | [Sportsfield Specialties, Inc.](#)

Modular Drink Rail Systems offer spectators a comfortable space to enjoy a beverage, a bite to eat, or simply to watch the game and charge their devices. With several standard and customizable features available, this product line is designed to offer all the necessary options to outfit any athletic facility or stadium. Previously, drink rail systems needed to be fabricated onsite, adding labor time and material cost to the project. This option will allow facilities to offer social spaces for their spectators at every level of competition.

Indoor Sports Surfaces Division

Athletic Wood Floor Subfloor System-Dominique Wilkins "Slam Dunk" | [Infinity Wood Floors/Aacer Flooring](#)

Named after the legendary basketball player, the Dominique Wilkins Signature Series is a combination of the strength and durability of hardwood with the elegance and style that Wilkins himself exemplified on the court. The DW Slam Dunk subfloor system features overlapping CNC-machined panels with proprietary grooves that securely hold resilient foam. These panels are anchored using specially designed

hat channels to minimize area deflection and optimize ball rebound. With factory-assembled panels, installation is quicker and quality control is enhanced, providing excellent value for both owners and contractors.

Track Division

GEZOFLEX eco | [GEZOLAN \(KRAIBURG\), LP](#)

GEZOFLEX eco is the world's first sustainable EPDM granules for sports and leisure flooring. The revolutionary material consists of over 90 percent sustainable raw materials and is based on a sustainable EPDM rubber. In addition, GEZOFLEX eco uses an innovative, renewable filler that is biogenic and biobased. The sustainable raw materials of GEZOFLEX eco are complemented by a premium oil that is 99 percent bio-based and that has a negative CO₂ footprint. GEZOFLEX eco, therefore, can be described as the world's first sustainable EPDM granule.

Information on the winners of all Game Changer Awards is available from the companies shown above.

The ASBA is a non-profit association comprised of designers, builders and suppliers in sports facility construction. The ASBA sponsors informative meetings, publishes a quarterly magazine, books and technical construction guidelines for athletic facilities, produces a mobile app containing diagrams of sports facilities and keeps its members aware of the latest developments in the industry.

Additionally, ASBA offers voluntary certification programs in tennis court, running track and sports field construction, as well as a certificate program in pickleball court construction. It also has a philanthropic initiative, the [American Sports Builders Foundation](#) (ASBF).

For information on the ASBA, as well as on its publications, activities and upcoming meetings, contact the Association at 2331 Rock Spring Road, Forest Hill, Maryland 21050. The phone number is 443-640-1042. The ASBA also may be reached electronically via its website: www.sportsbuilders.org, or via e-mail at info@sportsbuilders.org.