



Tournament Fact Sheet

SAS Championship (PGA TOUR Champions)

Prestonwood Country Club • Cary, N.C. • October 16-18, 2026

Director of Agronomy

Bradley Pope, GCSAA

Years as GCSAA Member: 14

Years at Prestonwood: 8

Years as a Superintendent: 12

Previous Courses: Heritage Golf Club (superintendent)

Hometown: Coats, N.C.

Education: Wayne Community College

Professional Tournaments Hosted: This will be Pope's eighth SAS Championship.

Other Key Agronomy Personnel

Superintendents: Scott Clawson (Highlands); Jim Beer (Meadows), Trevor Bullock (Fairways)

Assistant Superintendents: Brandon Bowman, Vincent Angelico, Harry Vorhees, Anderson Crowe, Justin Dove and Will Prevatt

Equipment Managers: Dan Clarke, Webb Adams and Bill Maynor

PGA Director of Golf Operations: Jeff Holden

General Manager: Lee Hancock, GCSAA

Agronomy Employees: 60 / Tournament Volunteers: 5

Golf Course Dog: Ellie Mae, 10-year-old Mini Australian Shepherd

Course Architect

Tom Jackson (1988)

Notable

- Prestonwood Country Club is a 54-hole facility.
- The tournament front nine is Highlands #1-3, 13-18 and the back nine is Meadows 1-4, 13, 15-18.
- From early April until late June, we received only an inch of rainfall. We fell into the severe drought area of NC for most of the summer. Finally received rain in July but have since fallen back into drought conditions in September.

Tournament Setup

Par: 35-37--72

Yardage: 7,237

Turfgrass

Greens: Champion bermudagrass (.110")

Collars: TifGrand bermudagrass

Approaches: 419 bermudagrass

Tees: 419 bermudagrass (.425")

Fairways: 419 bermudagrass (.450")

Rough: 419 bermudagrass (2.25")

Course Statistics

Average Green Size: 6,400 sq. ft.

Total Property Acres: 525

Acres of Fairway: 29

Acres of Rough: 115

Number of Sand Bunkers: 66

Number of Water Hazards: 14

Number of Holes Water is in Play: 14

Soil Conditions: USGA greens / clay all other areas

Water Sources: Creek

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