

John Deere Classic (PGA TOUR)

TPC Deere Run • Silvis, Ill. • July 4-7, 2024

Golf Course Superintendent

Jonathan Graham, GCSAA

Years as GCSAA Member: 11

Years at TPC Deere Run: 7 (2 as superintendent)

Years as a Superintendent: 2

Previous Courses: TPC San Antonio (senior assistant),
TPC Deere Run (assistant superintendent)

Hometown: Lander, Wyo.

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Other Key Golf Personnel

Jarrett Chapman, Assistant Superintendent

Evan Sedlack, Assistant Superintendent

Bruce Phillipson, Equipment Manager

Alex Johnson, Irrigation Foreman

Lyndsay Buckley, Landscape Foreman

Mason Jobin, PGA Professional

Number of Employees: 22

Number of Tournament Volunteers: 35

Course Architect

Architect (year): D.A. Weibring (2000)

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Course - @TPCDeereRun

Tournament - @JDCLASSIC

GCSAA - @GCSAA

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Tournament Set-up

Par: 35-36—71

Yardage: 7,289

Stimpmeter: 12

Course Statistics

Average Green Size: 5,500 sq. ft.

Total Property Acres: 400

Acres of Fairway: 28

Acres of Rough: 120

Number of Sand Bunkers: 76

Number of Water Hazards: 3

Number of Holes Water is in Play: 3

Soil Conditions: Silty clay

Water Sources: Surface

Drainage Conditions: Slow

Turfgrass

Greens: L-93 bentgrass .100"

Collars: L-93 bentgrass .300"

Approaches: Southshore bent .375"

Tees: Southshore bentgrass .375"

Fairways: Southshore bentgrass .375"

Rough: Kentucky bluegrass / fescue 4"

Additional Notes

- Land uses before the golf course were by Native Americans, coal mining and the Hewitt family using it to raise Arabian horses.
- Holes No. 1, 6, 11, 15 had the fairways narrowed approximately 5 feet.

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GCSAA Notes

(PGA TOUR - Primary Courses Only)

2024 Notable For Courses Played

(thru Rocket Mortgage, June 30)

(does not include Mexico Open or Puerto Rico Open)

(this week's course in red)

2024 Longest Courses Played

- 7,765 – Torrey Pines South (Farmers Insurance)
- 7,670 – Corales (Corales Puntacana)
- 7,609 – Valhalla (PGA Championship)
- 7,596 – Kapalua Plantation (Sentry)
- 7,569 – Muirfield Village (Memorial)
- 7,558 – Quail Hollow (Wells Fargo)
- 7,545 – Augusta National (Masters)
- 7,543 – Pinehurst (U.S. Open)
- 7,466 – Bay Hill (Arnold Palmer)

2024 Shortest Courses Played

- 6,835 – TPC River Highlands (Travelers)
- 6,972 – Pebble Beach (AT&T PB Pro-Am)
- 7,044 – Waialae (Sony)
- 7,084 – Hamilton (RBC Canadian)
- 7,147 – PGA National Champion (Cognizant)
- 7,187 – PGA West Stadium (American Express)
- 7,213 – Harbour Town (RBC Heritage)
- 7,261 – TPC Scottsdale Stadium (WM Phoenix)
- 7,275 – TPC Sawgrass Stadium (The Players)

2024 Largest Avg. Greens by sq. ft. Played

- 8,722 – Kapalua Plantation (Sentry)
- 7,500 – Bay Hill (Arnold Palmer)
- 7,500 – Riviera (Genesis)
- 7,100 – Waialae (Sony)
- 7,069 – TPC Scottsdale Stadium (WM Phoenix)
- 7,000 – Memorial Park (Texas Children's)
- 7,000 – PGA National Champion Cognizant)

2024 Smallest Avg. Greens by sq. ft. Played

- 3,500 – Pebble Beach (AT&T PB Pro-Am)
- 3,700 – Harbour Town (RBC Heritage)
- 5,000 – TPC River Highlands (Travelers)
- 5,000 – Muirfield Village (Memorial)
- 5,000 – Colonial (Charles Schwab)
- 5,000 – Valhalla (PGA Championship)
- 5,000 – PGA West Stadium (American Express)
- 5,000 – Torrey Pines South (Farmers Insurance)

2024 Courses by Greens Turf Type Played

- 12 - Poa (American Express, Farmers Insurance, Pebble Beach, WM Phoenix, Genesis, The Players, Valspar, Texas Children's, RBC, Zurich, Wells Fargo)
- 7 – Bentgrass (Masters, Byron Nelson, PGA Championship, Charles Schwab, RBC Canadian, Memorial, John Deere)
- 6 - Bermudagrass (Sentry, Sony, Cognizant, Arnold Palmer, Myrtle Beach, U.S. Open)
- 2 – Bentgrass/Poa annua mix
- 1 – Supreme Paspalum (Corales Puntacana)

2024 Tournaments by State Played So Far

- 4 – Florida
- 4 – California
- 4 – Texas
- 2 – Hawaii
- 2 – South Carolina
- 2 – North Carolina
- 1 – Arizona
- 1 – Georgia
- 1 – Louisiana
- 1 – Kentucky
- 1 – Ohio
- 1 – Connecticut
- 1 – Michigan
- 1 - Illinois

All 2024 Tournaments by State (multiple events only)

- 5 – California
- 4 – Florida
- 4 – Texas
- 3 – North Carolina
- 2 – Hawaii
- 2 – Georgia
- 2 – South Carolina

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GCSAA Notes **(PGA TOUR - Primary Courses Only)**

2023 Full Year

(this week's events in red)

2023 Longest Courses (7,500+)

7,765 – Torrey Pines (Farmers Insurance)
7,670 – Puntacana Resort (Corales Puntacana)
7,596 – Plantation Course (Sentry TOC)
7,571 – Muirfield Village (the Memorial)
7,545 – Augusta National (The Masters)
7,538 – Quail Hollow (Wells Fargo)

2023 Shortest Courses

6,828 – Port Royal (Butterfield Bermuda)
6,852 – TPC River Highlands (Travelers)
6,972 – Pebble Beach (AT&T Pebble Beach)
7,005 – Sea Island (The RSM Classic)
7,044 – Waialae CC (Sony Open)

2023 Largest Avg. Greens by sq. ft.

8,722 – Plantation Course (Sentry TOC)
8,300 – El Cardonal (World Wide Tech)
8,000 – Port Royal (Butterfield Bermuda)
7,500 – Riviera (Genesis Inv.)
7,500 – Bay Hill (Arnold Palmer)
7,400 – TPC Summerlin (Shriners)

2023 Smallest Avg. Greens by sq. ft.

3,500 – Pebble Beach (AT&T Pebble Beach)
3,700 – Harbour Town (RBC Heritage)
4,300 – TPC Southwind (FedEx St. Jude)
4,500 – Albany (Hero World Challenge)
4,500 – Oak Hill (PGA Championship)
5,000 – PGA West Stadium (American Express)
5,000 – Torrey Pines (Farmers Insurance)
5,000 – Muirfield Village (the Memorial)
5,000 – Colonial CC (Charles Schwab)
5,000 – TPC River Highlands (Travelers)

2023 Course by Greens Turf Types

16 – Bentgrass
13 – Bermudagrass
11 – Poa
2 – Paspalum

GCSAA Notes **(PGA TOUR - Primary Courses Only)**

Longest GCSAA Membership

44 – Stanley Reedy, CGCS (Sanderson)
41 – Sam MacKenzie, CGCS (BMW Champ)
38 – Brian Sullivan, CGCS, MG (Am. Express)
37 – William B. Owen III (Masters)
35 – Roby Robertson, CGCS (Valero Texas)
35 – Kevin Welker, CGCS (World Wide Tech)
34 – Dale Hahn, CGCS (Shriners)

Note: Avg. GCSAA membership years for host superintendents is 19.5.

Superintendents by Alma Mater (if known)

3 – Mississippi State
3 – Ohio State
3 – Penn State
3 – Rutgers
2 – University of Guelph (Canada)
2 – Michigan State