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GCSAA Tournament Fact Sheet

The Presidents Cup
October 3 - 6, 2013

Muirfield Village Golf Club
Dublin, Ohio

Golf Course Management Information

GCSAA Class A Director of Grounds Operations:

Paul B. Latshaw, CGCS

The title "CGCS," after a superintendent's name, stands for Certified Golf Course Superintendent, which recognizes the achievement of high standards of professionalism through education and experience.

Availability to media:

Contact Paul Latshaw by phone 614-889-6700; cell 614-499-0719; fax 614-889-6708; email platshaw@mvgc.org

Education:

M.S., Management, Rosemont College, Rosemont, Pa., 2000; B.S., Agriculture Science, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, Pa., 1989

Years as a GCSAA member: 25

Years GCSAA certified: 11

GCSAA affiliated chapter:

Central Ohio Golf Course Superintendents Association, Fingerlakes Association of Golf Course Superintendents

Years at this course: 10

Number of maintenance employees: 45

Number of tournament volunteers: 25

Previous positions:

1999-2003, Manager of Golf Courses and Grounds, Oak Hill Country Club, Rochester, N.Y.; 1992-1998, Golf Course Superintendent, Merion Golf Club, Ardmore, Pa.; 1989-1992, Assistant Superintendent, Wilmington Country Club, Montchanin, Del.

Pervious tournament preparation:

2004-2012 the Memorial Tournament, Muirfield Village Golf Club, Dublin, Ohio; 2003 PGA Championship, Oak Hill Country Club, Rochester, N.Y.; 1999-

2001 JR Williams Invitational, Oak Hill Country Club, Rochester, N.Y.; 1998 50th U.S. Girls' Junior Championship, Merion Golf Club, Ardmore, Pa.; 1992-1998 Hugh Wilson Invitational; 1997 U.S. Open volunteer; 1995 U.S. Open volunteer; 1988-1989 Masters volunteer; 1986 Southern Amateur preparation (staff member); 1978 PGA Championship volunteer

Previous tournaments hosted by facility:

1986, 1992 U.S. Amateur Championship; 1987 Ryder Cup; 1998 Solheim Cup; 1976-2012 the Memorial Tournament

Course statistics

Average tee size: 1,500 sq. ft.

Tournament Stimpmeter: 13 ft.

Average green size: 5,000 sq. ft.

Soil condition: Heavy clay

Green construction soil mix:

USGA (sand 90%, peat 5%, 5% other)

Rounds per year: 14,500

Acres of fairway: 28

Source of water: Pond, well

Acres of rough: 60

Drainage conditions: Fair

Sand bunkers: 79

Water hazards: 13

Course ratings

	Yardage	Par	Rating	Slope
Red	5591	72	73.2	134
White	6303	72	71.4	138
Blue	6739	72	73.5	143
Memorial	7352	72	76.3	149
Green	6127	72	71.1	142

Course characteristics

	Primary Grasses	Height of Cut
Tees	Bentgrass; <i>Poa annua</i>	0.25"
Fairways	Bentgrass; <i>Poa annua</i>	0.375"
Greens	Bentgrass	0.90"
Rough	Kentucky bluegrass; ryegrass; fescue	3"

Wildlife on the course

Blue heron; Canada goose; Coyote; Deer; Fish; Groundhog; Hawk; Muskrat; Rabbit; Raccoon; Red fox; Snakes; Squirrel; Turtle; Woodpecker; Several different species of birds

Interesting and historical course-related facts

Director of Golf Course Operations Paul B. Latshaw, CGCS, MSM, came to Muirfield Village Golf Club in 2004 after spending five years as the manager of golf courses and grounds at Oak Hill Country Club (host of the 2003 PGA Championship).

Muirfield Village Golf Club was the dream and work of Jack Nicklaus. The land was acquired in 1966, but construction did not begin until July 28, 1972. The golf course is situated on 220 acres, which includes an 11-acre driving range. The course was officially dedicated on Memorial Day, May 27, 1974, with an exhibition match between Nicklaus and Tom Weiskopf. Nicklaus scored a six-under par 66, which stood as the course record until 1979.

A Columbus Pro-Am on August 11, 1975 was the first event held at Muirfield, and the first Memorial Tournament was played in May, 1976. The course has also hosted the 1986 U.S. Junior Amateur, the 1987 Ryder Cup Matches, the USGA's 1992 United States Amateur Championship, the 1995 Wendy's Three-Tour Challenge, and the 1998 Solheim Cup.

Tournament host Jack Nicklaus was the recipient of the 2005 GCSAA Old Tom Morris Award, GCSAA's highest honor. Nicklaus received the award at the GCSAA Educational Conference and Inaugural Golf Industry Show in Orlando, Feb. 7-12, 2005.

Course architect/date:

Jack Nicklaus and Desmond Muirhead, 1974

Other key course personnel

Lucas Lownes, GCSAA Class SM Golf Course Superintendent

Matt Powell, GCSAA Class C Assistant Superintendent

Rich McIntosh, GCSAA Class C Assistant Superintendent

Chris Flick, Assistant Superintendent

Bill Claytor, Equipment Manager

Jack Nicklaus II, Club President

Nicholas LaRocca, Club Manager

Tim Hollowell, Horticulturist

Larry Dornisch, PGA Professional

Golf course management facts

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