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#### **Tournament Fact Sheet**

PGA Tour Hero World Challenge December 4 - 7, 2014

Isleworth Golf & Country Club Windermere, Fla.

# Golf Course Management Information

Golf Course Superintendent Sean Duffy, 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 Sean Duffy by phone 407-539-4104; email **sduffy@isleworth.com** 

#### **Education:**

A.S., Golf Course Operations, Lake City Community College, Lake City, Fla., 1993

**Age:** 45

**Native hometown:** 

Putnam, Conn.

Years as a GCSAA member: 22 GCSAA affiliated chapter:

Central Florida Golf Course Superintendents Association

Years at this course: 6 Years GCSAA certified: 11 Number of employees: 40

**Previous tournament preparation:** 

2010-2013 Tavistock Cup, Isleworth Golf & Country Club, Windermere, Fla.; 2005-2006 ACE Group Classic, Twineagles, Naples, Fla.; 1996, 1998 LPGA Tournament of Champions, Grand Cypress Golf Club, Orlando, Fla.

Previous tournaments hosted by facility:

2010-2013 Tavistock Cup

# How Sean got involved in golf course management:

"As a teenager, I was afforded the opportunity to work for a family-owned golf course at Raceway Golf Course in Thompson, Conn. It is there I developed a love and passion for our profession."

#### **Course statistics**

Average tee size: 1,500 sq. ft.
Average green size: 5,900 sq. ft.
Soil conditions on the course: Sand

Green construction soil mix:

USGA (sand 18%, peat 15%)

Acres of fairway: 40

Source of water: Pond, well, effluent water

Acres of rough: 90

**Drainage conditions: Excellent** 

Sand bunkers: 80 Water hazards: 11

## **Championship ratings**

	Yardage	Par	Rating	Slope
Tiger	7544	72	143	76.9

#### Course architect/date:

Arnold Palmer

### Most recent redesign or renovation/date:

Steve Smyers

Toney Snoey, Director of Golf

# Other key course management personnel

Jason Bottorf, GCSAA Class C Assistant
Superintendent
Louis Eckhart IV, GCSAA Class C Assistant
Superintendent
Larry Smith, Equipment Manager
David Kemp, Club Manager

## Golf Course Superintendents Association of America

GCSAA is a leading golf organization and has as its focus golf course management. Since 1926, GCSAA has been the top professional association for the men and women who manage golf courses in the United States and worldwide. From its headquarters in Lawrence, Kan., the association provides education, information and representation to nearly 18,000 members in more than 72 countries. GCSAA's mission is to serve its members, advance their profession and enhance the enjoyment, growth and vitality of the game of golf. Find GCSAA on Facebook, follow GCSAA on Twitter, and visit GCSAA at www.gcsaa.org. The Environmental Institute for Golf is the philanthropic organization of the GCSAA, and has as its mission to foster sustainability through research, awareness, education, programs and scholarships for the benefit of golf course management professionals, golf facilities and the game. Visit www.eifg.org.

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# Media story ideas to consider

- Water: Golf's biggest challenge
- The benefits of a golf course to the community and the environment
- What's new in turfgrass research
- Superintendents doing more with less
- Get to know an interesting superintendent
- Who's in charge? A visit with the CEO