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Tournament Fact Sheet

PGA Tour
 Quicken Loans National
 July 27 - Aug. 2, 2015

Robert Trent Jones Golf Club
 Gainesville, Va.

Golf Course Management Information

GCSAA Class A Golf Course Superintendent:

Scott Furlong, 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 Scott Fulong by phone 703-754-1750; cell phone 703-856-8553; or email sfurlong@rtjgc.com

Education:

B.S., Old Dominion Universtiy, Norfolk, Va., 1994; Turfgrass Management, University of Maryland, College Park, Md., 1998

Age: 44

Native hometown:

Prince William County, Va.

Years as a GCSAA member: 17

GCSAA affiliated chapter:

Mid-Atlantic Golf Course Superintendents Association

Years at this course: 21

Number of employees: 38

Number of tournament volunteers: 50

Previous positions:

1994-1999, Assistant Superintendent, Robert Trent Jones Golf Club, Gainesville, Va.; 1994-1996, Elementary Teacher/High Shool Football Coach, Chantilly, Va.; 1992-1993, Staff, Cedar Crest Country Club, Fairfax, Va.

Previous tournament preparation:

1994-1996, 2000, 2005 Presidents Cup, Robert Trent Jones Golf Club, Gainesville, Va.

Previous tournaments hosted by facility:

1994-1996, 2000, 2005 Presidents Cup

Get to know the superintendent:

Scott enjoys golfing, hunting, fishing and skiing in his spare time.

How Scott got involved in golf course management:

"Loved working outside."

Course statistics

Average tee size: 2,500 sq. ft.

Average green size: 6,000 sq. ft.

Soil conditions on the course: Clay, rock

Green construction soil mix:

USGA (sand 80%, peat 20%)

Rounds per year: 14,000

Acres of fairway: 24

Source of water: Pond, lake

Acres of rough: 130

Drainage conditions: Fair

Sand bunkers: 65

Water hazards:

2 ponds and one lake that borders 10 holes

Championship ratings

Tee	Yardage	Par	Rating	Slope
Gold	7385	71	n/a	n/a

Course characteristics

	Primary Grasses	Height of Cut
Tees	Bentgrass	0.275"
Fairways	Bentgrass	0.350"
Greens	Bentgrass	0.115"
Rough	Kentucky bluegrass; fescue	3.5"

Environmental management/features

Robert Trent Jones Golf Club has 23 water retention structures to harvest storm water runoff.

Unusual wildlife on the course

Bald eagle

Predominate species of trees on course:

Red and white oaks

Interesting notes about the course:

Ernest Ranson III, B.P. Russell and Clay Hamner founded Robert Trent Jones Golf Club

Robert Trent Jones Golf Club features one of the most challenging golf courses in the world. It is the self-proclaimed masterpiece of its architect and namesake, the late great Robert Trent Jones Sr. Jones designed the course to seduce the golfer with the beauty and serenity of Lake Manassas. The lake is the center piece of the golf course, with nine holes running adjacent to it, and seven of the nine have greens on natural peninsulas. Lake Manassas is visible from nearly every hole on the course, yet only one – the signature par-three No. 11 – forces the golfer to hit across open water.

Significant changes recently made to the course:

Robert Trent Jones Golf Club recently completed a bunker renovation in which Better Billy Bunker System and SF 35 bunker sand were installed.

Course architect/date:

Robert Trent Jones Sr., 1991

Most recent redesign or renovation/date:

Kyle Phillips, ongoing

Renovation builder/date:

Chip McDonald and Sons

Other key course management personnel

Joe Betcher, GCSAA Member Assistant
Superintendent

Jon Taylor, GCSAA Member Assistant
Superintendent

Tom Jones, GCSAA Member Assistant
Superintendent

Phil Stewart, Equipment Manager

Malone Schooler, Club President

Eric Rhodes, Club Manager

Tom Ross, Green Committee Chairman

Andrew Mueller, Horticulturist

Cary Sciorra, PGA Professional

Membership, Club Owner

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.

For additional information please visit gcsaa.org/newsroom or contact the Communications Department at 800-472-7878.

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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