

Tournament Fact Sheet

WGC Bridgestone Invitational

Aug. 2-5, 2018 • Firestone Country Club (South Course) • Akron, Ohio

Golf Course Superintendent

Tim Gruber GCSAA Membership Years: 12 Years at course: 5 Media Contact: larry.napora@ourclub.com

Director of Golf Course Operations

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GCSAA Membership Years: 36 Years at course: 10.5
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Golf Course Personnel

Ron DeJacimo, PGA Professional ClubCorp, Course Owner Bill Lonsidine, President Steven Carter, Manager David Champagne, Director of Golf

Golf Course Architect

Course architect/date: Robert Trent Jones, 1929 Renovation architect/date: Robert Trent Jones, 1960

Tournament Set-up

Par: 70 Yardage: 7,400

Course Statistics

Average tee size: 2,609 sq. ft. Tournament stimpmeter: 12.6(+) ft. Average green size: 7,619 sq. ft. Acres of fairway: 20 Acres of rough: 70 Soil conditions: good Source of water: lake Drainage conditions: excellent Sand bunkers: 82 Water hazards: 3

Turfgrass

Tees: Pencross Bentgrass/Poa annua 0.25" Fairways: Pencross Bentgrass/Poa annua 0.30" Greens: Pencross Bentgrass/Poa annua 0.10" Rough: Kentucky bluegrass, ryegrass, fescue 2.5-4"

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