

## Olympics – Men and Women

Kasumigaseki Country Club (East Course) • Kawagoe-shi, Saitama, Japan •  
Men: July 29-August 1, 2021 • Women: August 4-7, 2021

**Head Greenkeeper**  
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Years as GCSAA Member: 44

Ingram has been the Senior Director of International and TPC Agronomy for 27 years. He has been making site visits to oversee preparation for the Olympics for 5 years (4 visits per year)

### Other Key Golf Personnel

Omata Rei, Sub Greenkeeper

Goto Fumito, Sub Greenkeeper

Utsugi Masayuki, Sub Greenkeeper

Yoshiaki Okano, Head Mechanic

Number of Employees: 27

Number of Tournament Volunteers: 110

### Course Architect

Architect (year): Kinya Fujita and Shiro Akaboshi (1929)

Renovation Architects (year): C.H. Alison (1933),

Logan and Tom Fazio (2016)

2015 renovation included changing course from a two-green system to a one-green system, while also extending the length of the course. The two-green system played to one green in summer and the other in winter.

*Tournament Fact Sheets for the PGA, LPGA, Champions and Korn Ferry Tours and USGA and PGA of America championships can be found all year at:*

<https://www.gcsaa.org/media/tournament-fact-sheets>

### Tournament Set-up

Par: 36-35--71

Yardage: Men: 7,465 / Women: 6,669

Stimpmeter: 12

### Course Statistics

Average Green Size: 7,800 sq. ft.

Acres of Fairway: 48

Acres of Rough: 123

Number of Sand Bunkers: 68

Number of Water Hazards: 3

Number of Holes Water is in Play: 2

Soil Conditions: Heavy clay/loam

Water Sources: Deep wells

Drainage Conditions: Adequate

### Turfgrass

Greens: 007/777 creeping bentgrass .100" / 2.5mm

Tees: Korai zoysiagrass .275" / 7mm

Fairways: Korai zoysiagrass .300" / 7.6 mm

Rough: Noshiha zoysiagrass 3.5"+ / 90 mm

### Additional Notes

- During 2016 renovation a decision was made to increase green size to accommodate Olympics competition during the hottest/wettest weeks of summer.

- Saitama recorded wettest 2020 in history and the 2020-21 winter was colder than usual with minimal snow cover resulting in widespread winter kill in primary rough.

- A cooler than normal spring slowed the overall recovery of damaged areas.

- Course hosted Asian Amateur Championship (2010).

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