

PGA Championship (PGA of America)

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Golf Course Superintendent

Russ Myers, GCSAA

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Years as GCSAA Member: 26

Years at Southern Hills: 9 (2006-09, 16-present)

Years as a Superintendent: 21

Previous Courses: Los Angeles CC (director), Southern Hills (super), Card Sound (super), Augusta National (assistant in training)

Hometown: Odessa, N.Y.

Education: SUNY-Cobleskill

Other Key Golf Personnel

Doug Cocanour, Assistant Superintendent

Blake Williams, Robert Frizzell, Assistant Superintendent

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Roy Bradshaw, Equipment Manager

Wilson Nease, Horticulturist

Cary Cozby, Director of Golf

Number of Employees: 45

Number of Tournament Volunteers: 45

Course Architect

Architect (year): Perry Maxwell (1936)

Restoration Architect (year): Gil Hanse and Jim Wagner (2019)

(see restoration details in next column)

Tournament Fact Sheets for the PGA, LPGA, Champions, Korn Ferry and Epson 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: 35-35—70

Yardage: 7,556

Course Statistics

Average Green Size: 5,047 sq. ft.

Acres of Fairway: 59

Acres of Rough: 108

Number of Sand Bunkers: 87

Number of Water Hazards: 3

Number of Holes Water is in Play: 15

Soil Conditions: Loamy Clay

Water Sources: Arkansas River

Turfgrass

Greens: Pure Distinction bentgrass .120"

Tees: Astro bermudagrass .375"

Fairways: Astro bermudagrass .375"

Rough: Astro bermuda / tall fescue 2.25"

Additional Notes

- Superintendent Russ Myers has contributed to around 20 tournaments in his career, including 2007 PGA Champ., 2009 U.S. Am. And 2021 Senior PGA Champ. at Southern Hills. Other events include 4 Masters, 2 British Opens and a Walker Cup.

- Course underwent complete restoration in 2019 using original photos, member input, and written documents to restore creeks, fairway contours, and native vegetation.

- Greens were reconstructed with hydronics heating and cooling. Tees and bunkers were returned to original look. Fairway bunker locations were modernized to adapt to length of today's competitive players.

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