

Nationwide Children's Hospital Championship (Korn Ferry)

Ohio State University (Scarlet) • Columbus, Ohio • Sept. 21-24, 2023

Golf Course Superintendent

Dennis Bowsher, CGCS, GCSAA

Years as GCSAA Member: 41

Years at Ohio State: 17

Years as a Superintendent: 36

Previous Courses: Thunder Hill (super), Sunset (super),
Spring Valley (super), Bermuda Run (super), Virginia
Oaks (super)

Hometown: Lima, Ohio

Education: Ohio State University

Professional Tournaments Hosted: This is Bowsher's
17th Nationwide Children's Hospital Championship.

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Other Key Golf Personnel

Dan Trubisky, Assistant Superintendent

John Demianenko, Assistant Superintendent

Brad Swartz, Equipment Manager

Doug Knaup, Horticulturist

Number of Employees: 38

Number of Tournament Volunteers: 10

Course Architect

Architect (year): Alister MacKenzie (1938)

Renovation Architect (year): Jack Nicklaus (2005)

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Course - @OSUGC

Tournament - @NCHC_Golf

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TOUR Champions, Korn Ferry and Epson Tours and
USGA and PGA of America championships can be found
at: <https://www.gcsaa.org/media/tournament-fact-sheets>

Tournament Set-up

Par: 36-35--71

Yardage: 7,444

Course Statistics

Average Green Size: 8,000 sq. ft.

Total Property Acres: 300

Acres of Fairway: 30

Acres of Rough: 150

Number of Sand Bunkers: 64

Number of Water Hazards: 7

Number of Holes Water is in Play: 7

Soil Conditions: Clay

Water Sources: Pond

Drainage Conditions: Good except greens

Turfgrass

Greens: Bentgrass / *Poa annua* .115"

Collars: Bentgrass / *Poa annua* .300"

Approaches: Bentgrass / *Poa annua* .300"

Tees: Bentgrass / *Poa annua* .350"

Fairways: Bentgrass / *Poa annua* .400"

Rough: Kentucky bluegrass / ryegrass 4"

Additional Notes

- Weather has been moderate this year with timely rain and very few lengthy heat spells.

- Alister MacKenzie designed the course which was not completed until four years after his death (construction was then overseen by Perry Maxwell).

- Superintendent Dennis Bowsher is a certified golf course superintendent (CGCS) and an Ohio State University graduate.

- The maintenance staff ages range from 16 to 83 years old.

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