

## **Dominion Energy Charity Classic (PGA TOUR Champions)**

The Country Club of Virginia (James River Course)

Richmond, Va. • October 20-22, 2023

### **Director of Golf and Grounds Maintenance**

**Christian D. Sain, GCSAA**

Years as GCSAA Member: 33

Years at CC of Virginia: 18

Years as a Superintendent: 28

Previous Courses: Kingsmill Resort (director of maint.)

Hometown: Hendersonville, N.C.

Education: North Carolina State University

Professional Tournaments Hosted: This is Sain's 8<sup>th</sup>

Champions event at CC of Virginia after 5 PGA and 3  
LPGA events at Kingsmill Resort

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### **Other Key Golf Personnel**

**Adam Kerr, James River Course Super.**

Ryan Thompson, Senior Assistant Superintendent

Brad Vandygriff, Assistant Superintendent

Wil Lannon, Assistant Superintendent

John Rulli, Equipment Manager

Golf Course Dog: Luna, 8-year-old border collie

### **Course Architect**

Architect (year): William Flynn (1928)

Renovation Architect (year): Rees Jones (1992)

### **Twitter**

Superintendent - @christiansain

Tournament - @DECCGolf

GCSAA - @GCSAA

*Tournament Fact Sheets for the PGA TOUR, LPGA, PGA 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: 36-36--72

Yardage: 7,025

### **Course Statistics**

Average Green Size: 6,000 sq. ft.

Acres of Fairway: 27

Acres of Rough: 70

Number of Sand Bunkers: 55

Number of Water Hazards: 4

Number of Holes Water is in Play: 4

Soil Conditions: Clay

Water Sources: James River

Drainage Conditions: Excellent

### **Turfgrass**

Greens: 777 bentgrass .105"

Tees: Tifsport Bermuda/Zeon zoysia .475"

Fairways: Tifsport bermudagrass .500"

Rough: Vamont bermudagrass 2.5"

### **Additional Notes**

• Christian Sain was honored by the GCSAA in 2022 as a Grassroots Ambassador Leadership Award winner. The quarterly honor recognizes individuals who have demonstrated growth in advocacy and advancement of the GCSAA Priority Issues Agenda through congressional outreach and relationship development with a member of Congress. <https://rb.gy/eha26g>

• Prior to last year's event, the course suffered vandalism on Sept. 21 as gas was intentionally poured on five greens on the back nine resulting in vast damage. Those areas were plugged and strip sodded.

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