

## THE CJ CUP Byron Nelson (PGA TOUR)

TPC Craig Ranch • McKinney, Texas • May 2-5, 2024

### Golf Course Superintendent

#### James Osborne, GCSAA

Years as GCSAA Member: 24

Years at TPC Craig Ranch: 5

Years as a Superintendent: 10

Previous Courses: Las Colinas CC (super), Bear's Best Atlanta (super), The Clubs at Cordillera Ranch (asst), The CC of Birmingham (asst)

Hometown: New London, Iowa

Education: Iowa State University

Professional Tournaments Hosted: This is Osborne's 4<sup>th</sup> Byron Nelson (also 2 LPGA and 1 Korn Ferry)

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### Other Key Golf Personnel

Dakota Brown, Senior Assistant Superintendent

Chase Shipley, Assistant Superintendent

Brogan Welsh, Assistant Superintendent

Carlos DeJesus, Equipment Manager

Number of Employees: 20

Number of Tournament Volunteers: 30

Golf Course Dog: Bentley, 3-year-old lab

### Course Architect

Architect (year): Tom Weiskopf (2004)

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Superintendent - @turf\_2\_envy

Tournament - @attbyronnelson

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: 36-35--71

Yardage: 7,414

Stimpmeter: 11.5

### Course Statistics

Average Green Size: 6,778 sq. ft.

Total Property Acres: 240

Acres of Fairway: 35

Acres of Rough: 150

Number of Sand Bunkers: 83

Number of Water Hazards: 4

Number of Holes Water is in Play: 13

Soil Conditions: USGA greens / sand capped fairways

Water Sources: Well / city

Drainage Conditions: Good

### Turfgrass

Greens: Bentgrass .100"

Tees: Bermudagrass .350"

Fairways: Zoysiagrass .450"

Rough: Bermudagrass 2.75"

### Additional Notes

- Rowlett Creek runs through the property and crosses 14 of the 18 holes.

- TPC Craig Ranch is a certified Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary.

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## **GCSAA Notes** **(PGA TOUR - Primary Courses Only)**

### **2024 Notable For Courses Played** **(thru Zurich Classic, April 25)**

*(does not include Mexico Open or Puerto Rico Open)*  
*(this week's course in red)*

#### **2024 Longest Courses Played**

7,765 – Torrey Pines South (Farmers Insurance)  
7,670 – Corales (Corales Puntacana)  
7,596 – Kapalua Plantation (Sentry)  
7,545 – Augusta National (Masters)  
7,466 – Bay Hill (Arnold Palmer)  
7,435 – TPC Louisiana (Zurich Classic)  
**7,414 – TPC Craig Ranch (Byron Nelson)**

#### **2024 Shortest Courses Played**

6,972 – Pebble Beach (AT&T PB Pro-Am)  
7,044 – Waialae (Sony)  
7,147 – PGA National Champion (Cognizant)  
7,187 – PGA West Stadium (American Express)  
7,213 – Harbour Town (RBC Heritage)  
7,261 – TPC Scottsdale Stadium (WM Phoenix)  
7,275 – TPC Sawgrass Stadium (The Players)

#### **2024 Largest Avg. Greens by sq. ft. Played**

8,722 – Kapalua Plantation (Sentry)  
7,500 – Bay Hill (Arnold Palmer)  
7,500 – Riviera (Genesis)  
7,100 – Waialae (Sony)  
7,069 – TPC Scottsdale Stadium (WM Phoenix)  
7,000 – Memorial Park (Texas Children's)  
7,000 – PGA National Champion Cognizant)

#### **2024 Smallest Avg. Greens by sq. ft. Played**

3,500 – Pebble Beach (AT&T PB Pro-Am)  
3,700 – Harbour Town (RBC Heritage)  
5,000 – PGA West Stadium (American Express)  
5,000 – Torrey Pines South (Farmers Insurance)  
5,225 – TPC Louisiana (Zurich Classic)  
5,500 – TPC Sawgrass (The Players)  
5,822 – Innisbrook Copperhead (Valspar)

#### **2024 Courses by Greens Turf Type Played**

10 - Poa (American Express, Farmers Insurance, Pebble Beach, WM Phoenix, Genesis, The Players, Valspar, Texas Children's, RBC, Zurich)  
4 - Bermudagrass (Sentry, Sony, Cognizant, Arnold Palmer)  
**2 – Bentgrass (Masters, Byron Nelson)**  
1 – Supreme Paspalum (Corales Puntacana)

#### **2024 Tournaments by State Played**

4 – Florida  
4 – California  
**2 – Texas (Houston Open, Byron Nelson)**  
2 – Hawaii  
1 – Arizona  
1 – Georgia  
1 – South Carolina  
1 - Louisiana

#### **All 2024 Tournaments by State** **(multiple events)**

5 – California  
4 – Florida  
**4 – Texas**  
3 – North Carolina  
2 – Hawaii  
2 – Georgia  
2 – South Carolina

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## **GCSAA Notes** **(PGA TOUR - Primary Courses Only)**

### **2023 Full Year**

*(this week's event in red)*

#### **2023 Longest Courses (7,500+)**

7,765 – Torrey Pines (Farmers Insurance)  
7,670 – Puntacana Resort (Corales Puntacana)  
7,596 – Plantation Course (Sentry TOC)  
7,571 – Muirfield Village (the Memorial)  
7,545 – Augusta National (The Masters)  
7,538 – Quail Hollow (Wells Fargo)

#### **2023 Shortest Courses**

6,828 – Port Royal (Butterfield Bermuda)  
6,852 – TPC River Highlands (Travelers)  
6,972 – Pebble Beach (AT&T Pebble Beach)  
7,005 – Sea Island (The RSM Classic)  
7,044 – Waialae CC (Sony Open)

#### **2023 Largest Avg. Greens by sq. ft.**

8,722 – Plantation Course (Sentry TOC)  
8,300 – El Cardonal (World Wide Tech)  
8,000 – Port Royal (Butterfield Bermuda)  
7,500 – Riviera (Genesis Inv.)  
7,500 – Bay Hill (Arnold Palmer)  
7,400 – TPC Summerlin (Shriners)

#### **2023 Smallest Avg. Greens by sq. ft.**

3,500 – Pebble Beach (AT&T Pebble Beach)  
3,700 – Harbour Town (RBC Heritage)  
4,300 – TPC Southwind (FedEx St. Jude)  
4,500 – Albany (Hero World Challenge)  
4,500 – Oak Hill (PGA Championship)  
5,000 – PGA West Stadium (American Express)  
5,000 – Torrey Pines (Farmers Insurance)  
5,000 – Muirfield Village (the Memorial)  
5,000 – Colonial CC (Charles Schwab)  
5,000 – TPC River Highlands (Travelers)

### **2023 Course by Greens Turf Types**

16 – Bentgrass  
13 – Bermudagrass  
11 – Poa  
2 – Paspalum

## **GCSAA Superintendent Notes** **(PGA TOUR Only)**

### **Longest GCSAA Membership**

44 – Stanley Reedy, CGCS (Sanderson)  
41 – Sam MacKenzie, CGCS (BMW Champ)  
38 – Brian Sullivan, CGCS, MG (Am. Express)  
37 – William B. Owen III (Masters)  
35 – Roby Robertson, CGCS (Valero Texas)  
35 – Kevin Welker, CGCS (World Wide Tech)  
34 – Dale Hahn, CGCS (Shriners)

*Note: Avg. GCSAA membership years for host superintendents is 19.5.*

### **Superintendents by Alma Mater (if known)**

3 – Mississippi State  
3 – Ohio State  
3 – Penn State  
3 – Rutgers  
2 – University of Guelph (Canada)  
2 – Michigan State