

Travelers Championship (PGA TOUR)

TPC River Highlands • Cromwell, Conn. • June 20-23, 2024

Golf Course Superintendent

Jason Cannata, GCSAA

Years as GCSAA Member: 13

Years at TPC River Highlands: 14

Years as a Superintendent: 1 (started June 3, 2023)

Previous Courses: Golf Club of Avon (assistant), New Haven CC (assistant)

Hometown: Higganum, Conn.

Education: University of Connecticut

Professional Tournaments Hosted: This is Cannata's 2nd Travelers as superintendent. He was a part of hosting Tournaments as an assistant here.

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Other Key Golf Personnel

Assistant Superintendents: Josh Breiling, Whitton DeVaux, James Kelley, Chris Salvio (assistant in training)

Robert Martyszczuk, Equipment Manager

David Corrado, General Manager / Director of Golf

Number of Employees: 32

Number of Tournament Volunteers: 50

Golf Course Dog: Shea, 4-year-old labrador retriever

Course Architect

Architect (year): Pete Dye (1982)

Renovation Architect (year): Bobby Weed (1989)

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Course - @TPCRH

Tournament - @TravlrsChamp

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Tournament Set-up

Par: 35-35--70

Yardage: 6,835

Course Statistics

Average Green Size: 5,000 sq. ft.

Total Property Acres: 197

Acres of Fairway: 28

Acres of Rough: 110

Number of Sand Bunkers: 69

Number of Water Hazards: 4

Number of Holes Water is in Play: 5

Soil Conditions: Sandy loam

Water Sources: Connecticut River

Drainage Conditions: Well drained

Turfgrass

Greens: Bentgrass / Poa annua .115"

Collars: Bentgrass / Poa annua .375"

Approaches: Bentgrass / Poa annua .375"

Tees: Bentgrass / Poa Annua .375"

Fairways: Bentgrass / Poa annua .375"

Rough: Kentucky bluegrass / fescue 4"-plus

Additional Notes

- Part of the land the golf course is on was formerly a rose farm and part near river was an active sand pit.

- Average fairway widths in landing areas are 30 yards.

- Some members of the maintenance staff have been involved in 25-35 Travelers Championships.

- Fall enhancement project included new sod to tees and edges of fairways taking many man hours to provide seamless transitions.

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GCSAA Notes (PGA TOUR - Primary Courses Only)

2024 Notable For Courses Played (thru U.S. Open, June 16)

(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)
7,609 – Valhalla (PGA Championship)
7,596 – Kapalua Plantation (Sentry)
7,569 – Muirfield Village (Memorial)
7,558 – Quail Hollow (Wells Fargo)
7,545 – Augusta National (Masters)
7,543 – Pinehurst (U.S. Open)
7,466 – Bay Hill (Arnold Palmer)

2024 Shortest Courses Played

6,835 – TPC River Highlands (Travelers)
6,972 – Pebble Beach (AT&T PB Pro-Am)
7,044 – Waialae (Sony)
7,084 – Hamilton (RBC Canadian)
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 – TPC River Highlands (Travelers)
5,000 – Muirfield Village (Memorial)
5,000 – Colonial (Charles Schwab)
5,000 – Valhalla (PGA Championship)
5,000 – PGA West Stadium (American Express)
5,000 – Torrey Pines South (Farmers Insurance)

2024 Courses by Greens Turf Type Played

12 - Poa (American Express, Farmers Insurance, Pebble Beach, WM Phoenix, Genesis, The Players, Valspar, Texas Children's, RBC, Zurich, Wells Fargo)
6 - Bermudagrass (Sentry, Sony, Cognizant, Arnold Palmer, Myrtle Beach, U.S. Open)
6 – Bentgrass (Masters, Byron Nelson, PGA Championship, Charles Schwab, RBC Canadian, Memorial)
1 – Supreme Paspalum (Corales Puntacana)
1 – Bentgrass/Poa annua mix (Travelers)

2024 Tournaments by State Played So Far

4 – Florida
4 – California
4 – Texas
2 – Hawaii
2 – South Carolina
2 – North Carolina
1 – Arizona
1 – Georgia
1 – Louisiana
1 – Kentucky
1 – Ohio
1 - Connecticut

All 2024 Tournaments by State (multiple events only)

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 events 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 Notes **(PGA TOUR - Primary Courses 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