

## Valero Texas Open (PGA TOUR)

TPC San Antonio (Oaks) • San Antonio, Texas • April 4-7, 2024

### Director of Golf Course Operations

**Roby Robertson, CGCS, GCSAA**

Years as GCSAA Member: 36

Years at TPC San Antonio: 6

Years as a Superintendent: 33

Previous Courses: TPC Scottsdale, TPC Craig Ranch,  
TPC Eagle Trace, Shangri-La, Quail Ridge

Hometown: Wellington, Kan.

Education: Kansas State University

Professional Events Hosted: This is Robertson's 12<sup>th</sup> pro  
Event and 5<sup>th</sup> Valero Open

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### Other Key Golf Personnel

Logan Behrens, Superintendent

Alejandro Oropez & Nathan Steinbeck, Oaks Assistants

Rick Pryor & Adrienne Young, Canyons Assistants

Sam Baldea, Equipment Manager

Brian Onarato, PGA Professional

Number of Employees: 48

Number of Tournament Volunteers: 25

### Course Architect

Architect (year): Greg Norman (2010)

Renovation: Bunkers updated in 2021

Rounds Per Year: Oaks (40,000), Canyons (45,000)

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Superintendent - @RRAgronomy

Course - @TPCSanAntonio

Tournament - @valerotxopen

*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: 7,438

### Course Statistics

Average Green Size: 6,400 sq. ft.

Total Property Acres: 400 (300 maintained)

Acres of Fairway: 35

Acres of Rough: 35

Number of Sand Bunkers: 64

Number of Water Hazards: 3

Number of Holes Water is in Play: 3

Soil Conditions: Sand cap / native clay

Water Sources: Well

Drainage Conditions: Good

### Turfgrass

Greens: Poa trivialis overseed .110"

Collars: Poa trivialis overseed .220"

Approaches: Perennial rye / fescue .400"

Tees: Poa trivialis overseed .300"

Fairways: Perennial rye / fescue .400"

Rough: Perennial rye / fescue 2.25"

### Additional Notes

- Average landing area fairway widths are 25-30 yards.

- Area has had a continuous drought in the past three years.

- TPC San Antonio has one of the most stringent Environmental Management Plans in the country. The course is focused on Protection, Sustainability and Management for the environment.

- The Canyons Course was designed by Pete Dye and hosted the PGA TOUR Champions San Antonio Championship from 2011-15. (more)

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## GCSAA Notes

### (PGA TOUR - Primary Courses Only)

#### 2024 Notable for Courses Played

(thru Texas Children's, March 31)

(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)

7,596 – Kapalua Plantation (Sentry)

7,466 – Bay Hill (Arnold Palmer)

7,438 – TPC San Antonio (Valero)

7,412 – Memorial Park (Texas Children's)

7,340 – Innisbrook Copperhead (Valspar)

7,322 – Riviera (Genesis)

#### 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)

7,261 – 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)

5,000 – PGA West Stadium (American Express)

5,000 – Torrey Pines South (Farmers Insurance)

5,500 – TPC Sawgrass (The Players)

5,822 – Innisbrook Copperhead (Valspar)

6,400 – TPC San Antonio (Valero)

#### 2024 Courses by Greens Turf Type Played

4 - Bermudagrass (Sentry, Sony, Cognizant, Arnold Palmer)

9 - Poa (American Express, Farmers Insurance, Pebble Beach, WM Phoenix, Genesis, The Players, Valspar, Texas Children's, Valero)

#### 2024 Tournaments by State Played

4 – Florida

4 – California

2 – Hawaii

1 – Arizona

2 – Texas (2<sup>nd</sup> in a row)

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

5 – California

4 – Florida

4 – Texas (2<sup>nd</sup> in a row)

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)  
36 – 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