

Tournament Fact Sheet

Charles Schwab Challenge (PGA TOUR)

Colonial Country Club • Fort Worth, Texas • May 22-25, 2025

Director of Agronomy Rich McIntosh, GCSAA

Years as GCSAA Member: 15

Years at Colonial: 4th
Years as Superintendent: 10

Previous Courses: Torrey Pines (superintendent), Muirfield

Village (senior assistant) Hometown: Medina, Ohio Education: Ohio State University

Professional Tournaments Hosted: This is McIntosh's 4th Charles Schwab and 11th event as a superintendent (2021 U.S. Open and six Farmers Insurance Opens at Torrey Pines). He was an assistant for eight Memorials and a Presidents Cup at Muirfield. *Contact: Mike Strauss:* mstrauss@gcsaa.org / 785-865-8444

Other Key Agronomy Personnel

Spencer McCasin, superintendent; Eli Parker, assistant superintendent; Jessica Wetz, second assistant superintendent; Jan Dixon, equipment manager; Brian Schorsten, director of golf Agronomy Employees: 30 / Tournament Volunteers: 30

Course Architect

John Bredemus and Perry Maxwell (1936)

Renovation: Gil Hanse, ASGCA and Jim Wagner, ASGCA (2023)

Notable

• The 2023 renovation included every aspect of the golf course, including all new greens, hydronics green cooling system installed, new bunkers, irrigation and drainage. Bermudagrass was sodded on 118 acres and greens were seeded with bentgrass.

Tournament Setup

Par: 35-35--70 Yardage: 7,289

Turfgrass

Greens: OO7XL bentgrass .100"
Collars: TifTuf bermudagrass .375"
Approaches: TifTuf bermudagrass .425"
Tees: TifTuf bermudagrass .425"
Fairways: TifTuf bermudagrass .425"
Rough: TifTuf bermudagrass 2.5"

Course Statistics

Average Green Size: 5,000 sq. ft.

Total Property Acres: 154 Acres of Fairway: 28 Acres of Rough: 65

Number of Sand Bunkers: 64 Number of Water Hazards: 4 Number of Holes Water is in Play: 6

Soil Conditions: Clay

Water Sources: Trinity River

Drainage: Good

Average Fairway Widths: 25-30 yards

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2025 GCSAA Course and Superintendent Notes For Courses Played to Date

(PGA TOUR Only) (Primary Courses Only)
(U.S. Courses Only) (This Week's Course in Red)

Tournaments by State

4 – Florida / California / 4 - Texas

2 - Hawaii / South Carolina

1 – Arizona / Georgia / Louisiana / Philadelphia / North Carolina

Yardage (par)

Longest (top 10)

7,765 (72) – Torrey Pines South (Farmers Insurance)

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7,626 (71) – Quail Hollow (PGA Championship)

7,596 (73) - Kapalua Resort (The Sentry)

7,561 (71) – TPC Craig Ranch (CJ CUP Byron Nelson)

7,555 (72) – Augusta National (Masters)

7,475 (70) - Memorial Park (Texas Children's Hospital)

7,466 (72) – Bay Hill Club (Cognizant)

7,438 (72) – TPC San Antonio (Valero Texas Open)

7,425 (72) – TPC Louisiana (Zurich)

Shortest (top 5)

6,972 (72) - Pebble Beach Golf Links (AT&T Pro Am)

7,044 (70) - Waialae (Sony Open)

7,119 (70) – Philadelphia Cricket Club (Truist)

7,167 (71) - PGA National (Cognizant)

7,210 (72) – PGA West Pete Dye Stadium (American Express)

Average Green Size (top five)

Largest

8,722 – Kapalua Resort (The Sentry)

7,500 – Bay Hill Club (Cognizant)

7,100 – Waialae (Sony Open)

7,069 – TPC Scottsdale (WM Phoenix Open)

7,000 - PGA National (Cognizant)

7,000 – PGA West Pete Dye Stadium (American Express)

7,000 - Memorial Park (Texas Children's Hospital)

<u>Smallest</u>

3,500 - Pebble Beach Golf Links (AT&T Pro Am)

3,700 - Harbour Town (RBC)

5,000 - Colonial Country Club (Charles Schwab)

5,000 - Torrey Pines South (Farmers Insurance)

5,000 – Torrey Pines South (Genesis)

Number of Bunkers (top five)

Most

118 – Philadelphia Cricket Club (Truist)

116 - Pebble Beach Golf Links (AT&T Pro Am)

106 – TPC Louisiana (Zurich)

93 - Kapalua Resort (The Sentry)

92 - TPC Sawgrass (THE PLAYERS)

<u>Fewest</u>

21 - Memorial Park (Texas Children's Hospital)

44 - Augusta National (Masters)

51 – Harbour Town (RBC)

61 – Quail Hollow (PGA Championship)

64 – Colonial Country Club (Charles Schwab)

64 – TPC San Antonio (Valero Texas Open)

Green Turf Type

10 - Poa or Poa overseed

6 – Bermudagrass

4 - Bentgrass

1 – Poa / bentgrass / ryegrass overseed

Rough Turf Type

13 – Ryegrass

4 – Bermudagrass

2 - Perennial ryegrass / fescue

1 - Ryegrass / Poa annua mix

1 - Tall fescue

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Superintendents Tournaments Hosted (includes 2025) (top 5)

- 30 Jeff Plotts, TPC Sawgrass (10th THE PLAYERS)
- 28 Jonathan Wright, Harbour Town (RBC)
- 24 Dave Nakama, CGCS, Waialae (Sony Open)
- 17 Ryan Stewart, Innisbrook (Valspar)
- 17 Chris Flynn, CGCS, Bay Hill Club (Arnold Palmer)
- 17 Keith Wood, Quail Hollow (PGA Championship)

Superintendents GCSAA Membership Years (30+ years)

- 39 Brian Sullivan, CGCS, MG, PGA West (AE)
- 37 Roby Robertson, CGCS, TPC San Antonio (Valero Texas)
- 34 Ken Einwig, PGA National (Cognizant)
- 31 Stephen Gross, CGCS, TPC Craig Ranch (THE CJ CUP)
- 31 Jeff Plotts, TPC Sawgrass (THE PLAYERS)

Superintendents Alma Maters

- 2 Penn State, Michigan State, Ohio State
- 1 Arizona, Hawaii, Texas Tech, Lake City, SUNY-Cobleskill, Georgia, N.C. State, Kansas State, Purdue, Kentucky, Mississippi State, Ohio State, Virginia Tech, Rutgers

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