



# Tournament Fact Sheet

## Principal Charity Classic (PGA TOUR Champions)

Wakonda Club • Des Moines, Iowa • June 12-14, 2026

### Golf Course Superintendent

#### Tanner Walsh, GCSAA

Years as GCSAA Member: 13

Years at Wakonda: 1 (Started April of 2026)

Years as Superintendent: 2

Previous Courses: Des Moines Golf & Country Club  
(superintendent and assistant)

Hometown: Gaylord, Minnesota

Education: Western Kentucky University

Professional Tournaments Hosted: This is Wilson's fifth Principal Charity Classic (2021-25)

### Other Key Agronomy Personnel

Tyler Kinney, lead assistant superintendent; Elijah Leza, assistant superintendent; Jake Duve, assistant-in-training; Troy Jansen, equipment manager; John Phillips, senior equipment manager

Agronomy Employees: 23

Golf Course Dog: Daisy (3-year-old silver lab)

### Course Architect

William Boyce Langford, ASGCA (1922)

Restoration: Tyler Rae, ASGCA (2023-24)

### Notable

- Course restoration was completed between the 2023 and 2024 Principal Charity events. The project tried to return the layout to its original design. Bunkers were rebuilt and increased from 69,000 sq. ft. to 170,000 sq. ft. Five greens were rebuilt using templates from other William Langford courses. All tee complexes were regressed or rebuilt. Waterway on No. 16 green and No. 18 tee complex was changes. Tees on No. 18 were moved to the west side of the pond to create a more dramatic finishing hole.

### Tournament Setup

Par: 36-36--72

Yardage: 6,835

### Turfgrass

Greens: A-1/A-4 bentgrass .100"

Collars: A-1/A-4 bentgrass .300"

Tees: Dominant Extreme 7 bentgrass .400"

Fairways: Dominant Extreme 7 bentgrass .400"

Rough: Kentucky bluegrass 3.0"

### Course Statistics

Average Green Size: 6,700 sq. ft.

Total Property Acres: 145

Acres of Fairway: 34

Acres of Rough: 65

Number of Sand Bunkers: 59 (170,000 sq. ft.)

Number of Water Hazards: 6

Number of Holes Water is in Play: 4

Soil Conditions: Loam

Water Sources: City

Drainage: Poor

High Elevation: 964' at No. 8 green and driving range

Low Elevation: 875' at No. 5 tee

Average Fairway Widths: 42 yards

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