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Tournament Fact Sheet

Champions Tour
Constellation Senior Players Championship
June 11 - 14, 2015

Belmont Country Club
Belmont, Mass.

Golf Course Management Information

GCSAA Class A Golf Course Superintendent:

Michael Rose



Availability to media:

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Education:

A.S., Landscape Operations, University of Massachusetts Stockbridge School of Agriculture, Amherst, Mass., 1989

Age: 50

Native hometown:

Arlington, Mass.

Years as a GCSAA member: 21

GCSAA affiliated chapter:

Golf Course Superintendents Association of New England

Years at this course: 25

Number of employees: 20

Number of tournament volunteers: 45

Previous positions:

1989-1992, Grounds Staff, Belmont Country Club, Belmont, Mass.; 1992-2007, Assistant Superintendent, Belmont Country Club, Belmont, Mass.

Previous tournaments hosted by facility:

2009 Massachusetts Open; 2013-2014 New England Open

Get to know the superintendent:

Michael is a Boston Red Sox baseball and University of Alabama football fan. He resides in Watertown, Mass., with his wife, Charlotte, and two children, Evan and Melissa.

How Michael got involved in golf course management:

"I grew up one mile from the course. I caddied here in the late 70s and early 80s and like playing golf, as well. After graduating from UMass, I switched from landscaping to golf course maintenance and found I really enjoyed it."

Course/event scoring record:

65, final round of 2009 Massachusetts Open

Course statistics

Average tee size: 1,200 sq. ft.

Tournament Stimpeter: 12 ft.

Average green size: 6,500 sq. ft.

Soil conditions on the course: Varied

Green construction soil mix:

USGA (sand 90%, peat 10%)

Rounds per year: 14,000

Acres of fairway: 25

Source of water: Pond, well

Acres of rough: 60

Drainage conditions: Fair

Sand bunkers: 66

Water hazards: 5

Championship ratings

Tee	Yardage	Par	Rating	Slope
Black	6855	71	74.0	135

Course characteristics

	Primary Grasses	Height of Cut
Tees	Bentgrass	0.250"
Fairways	Bentgrass; <i>Poa annua</i>	0.435"
Greens	Greenwich velvet bentgrass	0.110"
Rough	Kentucky bluegrass; fescue	3"

Predominate species of trees on course:

Oak; Maple; Pine

Interesting notes about the course:

Set just minutes outside the city of Boston, Belmont Country Club offers its members and guests a one-of-a-kind private golfing experience.

Golfers of all skill levels can appreciate the care that is placed into the tightly-cut fairways, strategically placed bunkers and rolling terrain that make the course a great test of golf! Belmont Country Club is famous for its Greenwich Velvet green complexes. Velvet bentgrass, known for its true putting surface and consistent fast speeds.

Over the course of its history, Belmont Country Club has hosted some of the areas most revered tournament championships. In 1937, a young Texan by the name of Byron Nelson won the Belmont Match Play Championship, which, was the most publicly attended PGA Championship of its time.

Course architect/date:

Donald Ross, 1918

Most recent redesign or renovation/date:

Craig Schreiner, 2006

Other key course management personnel

Charlie Dickson, GCSAA Member Assistant Superintendent
Daniel Hart, GCSAA Member Assistant Superintendent
Eric Horrocks, GCSAA Member Assistant Superintendent
Ken Da Silva, Equipment Manager
Alan LeBovidge, Club President
Neil Denehey, Club Manager
J.P. Fine, Green Committee Chairman
Daniel Tortora, Horticulturist
Matt Zdon, PGA Professional
John Fields, Director of Golf

Golf Course Superintendents Association of America

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Media story ideas to consider

- Water: Golf's biggest challenge
- The benefits of a golf course to the community and the environment
- What's new in turfgrass research
- Superintendents doing more with less
- Get to know an interesting superintendent
- Who's in charge? A visit with the CEO