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Grounds Superintendent
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Years as GCSAA Member: 20
Years at Minnehaha: 10
Years as a Superintendent: 19
Previous Courses: Whistling Straights – Straits Course (superintendent), Irish Course (superintendent)
Hometown: Sherburn, Minn.
Education: Penn State University

Number of Employees: 24
Number of Tournament Volunteers: 40

Other Key Golf Personnel
Ryan Lehmann, Senior Assistant Superintendent
Brent Eddy, 2nd Assistant Superintendent
Ben Ringling, Horticulturist
Tom McGovern, Equipment Manager
Justin Freudenburg, PGA Professional
James Moore, Green Committee Chair
Kristen Zueger, Club President
Ted Thie, Club CEO

Course Architect
Architect (year): William Langford (1922)

Tournament Set-up
Par: 70
Yardage: 6,729

Course Statistics
Average Green Size: 7,000 sq. ft.
Average Tee Size: 2,200 sq. ft.
Acres of Fairway: 26
Acres of Rough: 80
Number of Sand Bunkers: 42
Number of Water Hazards: 10
Soil Conditions: Silty loam
Water Sources: Well
Drainage Conditions: Surface drainage with minimal subsurface drainage

Turfgrass
Greens: Bentgrass / Poa annua .110"
Tees: Bentgrass / Poa annua .275"
Fairways: Bentgrass / Poa annua / ryegrass .400"
Rough: Kentucky bluegrass / ryegrass / Poa annua / tall fescue / fine fescue 3"

Additional Notes
• Master plan renovations have been taking place since 2015 and include fine fescue buffer trips and tall fescues throughout course to reduce irrigation needs.

• Record rainfall this year has reduced irrigation.

• Certified Audubon Sanctuary Course.

• Did you know? Minnehaha C.C. was the first golf course in South Dakota to put in grass greens.