Bridgestone Senior Players Championship
Firestone Country Club (South) • Akron, Ohio • June 24-27, 2021

Director of Golf Course Operations
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Years as GCSAA Member: 39
Years at Firestone: 14
Years as a Superintendent: 36
Hometown: Butler, Pa.
Education: Penn State University

South Course Superintendent
Tim Gruber, GCSAA
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Years as GCSAA Member: 20
Years at Firestone: 4
Years as a Superintendent: 21
Hometown: Butler, Pa.
Education: Ohio State University

Other Key Golf Personnel
Tom Keeling, South Course Assistant Superintendent
Dave Nuske, South Course Irrigation Technician
Joe Dillon, Equipment Manager

Number of Employees: 65
Number of Tournament Volunteers: 5

Course Architect
Architect (year): Burt Way (1929)
Renovation Architect (year): Robert Trent Jones (1960)

Tournament Set-up
Par: 35-35-70
Yardage: 7,400

Course Statistics
Average Green Size: 7,600 sq. ft.
Acres of Fairway: 20
Acres of Rough: 70
Number of Sand Bunkers: 82
Number of Water Hazards: 3
Number of Holes Water is in Play: 3
Soil Conditions: Good
Water Sources: Lake
Drainage Conditions: Great

Turfgrass
Greens: Penncross bentgrass / Poa annua .100”
Tees: Penncross bentgrass / Poa annua .250”
Fairways: Penncross bentgrass / Poa annua .300”
Rough: Bluegrass / ryegrass / fescue 2.5-4”

Additional Notes
• This is the third year the South Course is hosting this event.

• Last year’s championship was played in August.

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