Sanford International  (Champions Tour)
Minnehaha Country Club • Sioux Falls, S.D. • Sept. 17-19, 2021

Golf Course Superintendent
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Years as GCSAA Member: 22
Years at Minnehaha: 12
Years as a Superintendent: 21
Previous Courses: Whistling Straits – Straits Course (super), Irish Course (super)
Hometown: Sherburn, Minn.
Education: Penn State University


Other Key Golf Personnel
Ryan Lehmann, Senior Assistant Superintendent
Lars Ackerman, Second Assistant Superintendent
Jarrett Geihl, Horticulturist
Tom McGovern, Equipment Manager
Justin Freudenburg, PGA Professional
Number of Employees: 24
Number of Tournament Volunteers: 40

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

Tournament Fact Sheets for the PGA, LPGA, Champions and Korn Ferry Tours and USGA and PGA of America championships can be found all year at: https://www.gcsaa.org/media/tournament-fact-sheets

Tournament Set-up
Par: 34-36–70
Yardage: 6,729

Course Statistics
Average Green Size: 7,000 sq. ft.
Acres of Fairway: 26
Acres of Rough: 80
Number of Sand Bunkers: 42
Number of Water Hazards: 10
Number of Holes Water is in Play: 10
Soil Conditions: Silty loam
Water Sources: Well

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 2.5”

Additional Notes
• Since last year’s tournament 50 trees have been removed.
• Area is coming off a year-long drought with a very hot June.
• The majority of maintenance volunteers this week are turf students from Southeast Technical College in Sioux Falls. The local two-year program is thriving.

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