American Family Insurance Champ. (PGA TOUR Champions)
University Ridge • Madison, Wis. • June 9-11, 2023

Golf Course Superintendent
Phil Davidson, GCSAA
Email: pnd@athletics.wisc.edu
Years as GCSAA Member: 13
Years at University Ridge: 16
Years as a Superintendent: 9
Hometown: Decatur, Ga.
Education: Lawrence University & Horry Georgetown

Professional Tournaments Hosted: This is Davidson's 7th
American Family Insurance tournament.

Other Key Golf Personnel
Trygve Ekern, Assistant Superintendent
Noah Nehmer, Assistant Superintendent
Stuart Wolf, Equipment Manager
Ryan Weime, PGA Professional
Number of Employees: 30
Number of Tournament Volunteers: 25
Golf Course Dog: Ruth, a German shepherd mix

Course Architect
Architect (year): Robert Trent Jones, Jr. (19910
Course Owner: University of Wisconsin Athletics

Tournament Set-up
Par: 36-36–72
Yardage: 7,083
Stimpmeter: 12

Course Statistics
Average Green Size: 7,000 sq. ft.
Total Property Acres: 450
Acres of Fairway: 32
Acres of Rough: 60
Number of Sand Bunkers: 74
Number of Water Hazards: 5
Number of Holes Water is in Play: 7
Soil Conditions: Silt loam
Water Sources: Pond / well
Drainage Conditions: Good

Turfgrass
Greens: 007 bentgrass .110"
Collars: 007 bentgrass .300' 
Approaches: Bentgrass / Poa annua .300'
Tees: Bentgrass / Poa annua .300'
Fairways: Bentgrass / Poa annua .375"
Rough: Bluegrass / tall fescue 2.5"

Additional Notes
• Colder than normal temperatures and little rainfall have caused a slow start to the
growing season, especially for the bentgrass.

• Davidson and his son Matthew won the
Wisconsin State Golf Association father-son
tournament in 2019 and their names are
now on the trophy with Jerry Kelly.

• Assistant superintendent Trygve Ekern
returned to the course this year after 20
years as superintendent for the City of
Madison. He started at University Ridge as
an intern in the 1990s.