



# Tournament Fact Sheet

## SAS Championship (PGA TOUR Champions)

Prestonwood Country Club • Cary, N.C. • October 10-12, 2025

### Director of Golf Course Maintenance

#### Bradley Pope, GCSAA

Years as GCSAA Member: 13

Years at Prestonwood: 7 (1<sup>st</sup> as director)

Years as a Superintendent: 11

Previous Courses: Heritage Golf Club (superintendent)

Hometown: Coats, N.C.

Education: Wayne Community College

Professional Tournaments Hosted: This will be Pope's 7<sup>th</sup> SAS Championship, but 1<sup>st</sup> as director.

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### Other Key Agronomy Personnel

Superintendents: Scott Clawson (Highlands); Jim Beer (Meadows), Trevor Bullock (Fairways)

Assistant Superintendents: Brandon Bowman, Vincent Angelico, Harry Vorhees, Anderson Crowe, Justin Dove

Equipment Managers: Dan Clarke and Webb Adams

PGA Director of Golf Operations: Jeff Holden

General Manager: Lee Hancock, GCSAA

Agronomy Employees: 60 / Tournament Volunteers: 5

Golf Course Dog: Ellie Mae, 9-year-old Mini Australian Shepherd

### Course Architect

Tom Jackson (1988)

### Notable

- Prestonwood Country Club is a 54-hole facility.
- The tournament front nine is Highlands #1-3, 13-18 and the back nine is Meadows 1-4, 13, 15-18.
- In early August the course received 15" of rain in 9 days, which led to flooding of the property. From the second week of August until late September, the course has only received 0.2" of rain, resulting in drought conditions. From Sept. 26 through Oct. 1 the course received 1.6" of rain.

### Tournament Setup

Par: 35-37--72

Yardage: 7,237

### Turfgrass

Greens: Champion bermudagrass .110"

Collars: TifGrand bermudagrass

Approaches: 419 bermudagrass

Tees: 419 bermudagrass .425"

Fairways: 419 bermudagrass .500"

Rough: 419 bermudagrass 2.25"

### Course Statistics

Average Green Size: 6,400 sq. ft.

Total Property Acres: 525

Acres of Fairway: 29

Acres of Rough: 115

Number of Sand Bunkers: 66

Number of Water Hazards: 14

Number of Holes Water is in Play: 14

Soil Conditions: USGA greens / clay all other areas

Water Sources: Creek

### Links

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## 2025 GCSAA Course and Superintendent Notes For Courses Played to Date (PGA TOUR Champions Only) (Primary Courses, U.S. and Canada Courses Only) (This Week's Course in Red)

### Tournaments by State

3 – Florida

3 – California

1 – Hawaii / Ariz. / Ga. / Texas / Ala. / Wash. D.C. / Iowa / Wis. /  
Ohio / Colo. / N.Y. / Wash. / Canada / Mich. / Mo. / S. Dakota /

North Carolina

### Yardage (par)

#### Longest (top 10)

7,264 (70) – The Broadmoor (US Senior)

7,249 (72) – Greystone (Regions Tradition)

7,248 (70) – Firestone (Kaulig Companies)

**7,237 (72) – Prestonwood (SAS Championship)**

7,217 (72) – The Club at Snoqualmie Ridge (Boeing)

7,179 (72) – TPC Sugarloaf (Mitsubishi Electric)

7,165 (72) – Mission Hills (Galleri Classic)

7,152 (72) – Congressional (Sr. PGA Championship)

7,107 (72) – Hualalai (Mitsubishi Electric)

7,093 (70) – Canyon Meadows (Rogers Charity)

#### Shortest (top 5)

6,725 (71) – Newport Beach (Hoag)

6,747 (70) – Minnehaha (Sanford)

6,835 (72) – Wakonda Club (Principal Charity)

6,856 (71) – La Paloma (Cologuard)

6,858 (72) – Pebble Beach (PURE Insurance)

### Average Green Size

#### Largest (top 10)

8,000 – Norwood Hills (Stifel Charity)

8,000 – En-Joie (DICK's Sporting Goods)

7,600 – Firestone (Kaulig Companies)

7,417 – Hualalai (Mitsubishi Electric)

7,219 – Congressional (Sr. PGA Championship)

7,000 – Minnehaha (Sanford)

6,963 – Mission Hills (Galleri Classic)

6,700 – Wakonda Club (Principal Charity)

6,690 – The Broadmoor (US Senior)

6,500 – The Old Course at Broken Sound (James Hardie)

#### Smallest (top 5)

3,500 – Pebble Beach (PURE Insurance)

4,200 – Newport Beach (Hoag)

4,500 – La Paloma (Cologuard)

4,500 – The Woodlands (Insperity)

5,500 – Warwick Hills (The Ally Challenge)

5,500 – Tiburon (Chubb Classic)

### Number of Bunkers

#### Most (top 10)

144 – Congressional (Sr. PGA Championship)

116 – Pebble Beach (PURE Insurance)

114 – The Club at Snoqualmie Ridge (Boeing)

94 – Timuquana (Constellation Furyk and Friends)

87 – Warwick Hills (The Ally Challenge)

84 – Hualalai (Mitsubishi Electric)

83 – Newport Beach (Hoag)

82 – Firestone (Kaulig Companies)

82 – The Old Course at Broken Sound (James Hardie)

81 – The Broadmoor (US Senior)

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## Fewest (top 5)

- 36 – (also 21 waste areas) – Tiburon (Chubb Classic)
- 41 – Minnehaha (Sanford)
- 41 – Greystone (Regions Tradition)
- 50 – En-Joie (DICK'S Sporting Goods)
- 54 – TPC Sugarloaf (Mitsubishi Electric)

## **Green Turf Type**

### **7 – Bermudagrass**

- 5 – Bentgrass
- 4 – Poa annua
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- 2 – Poa Trivialis overseed
- 1 – Paspalum

## **Rough Turf Type**

- 8 – Bluegrass / ryegrass / fescue / Poa mixes
- 7 – Bermudagrass**
- 3 – Kentucky bluegrass
- 2 – Perennial ryegrass overseed
- 1 – Paspalum
- 1 – Kikuyu / Poa annua

## **Superintendents Tournaments Hosted (includes 2025) (top 10)**

- 20 – Dan Husek, Hualalai (Mitsubishi Electric)
- 19 – Ryan Gordon, The Club at Snoqualmie Ridge (Boeing)
- 18 – Larry Napora, Firestone (Kaulig Companies)
- 15 – Grayson Grainger, Tiburon (Chubb Classic)
- 14 – Chris Hartman, The Woodlands (Insperity)
- 10 – David Swift, Minnehaha (Sanford)
- 9 – Jason Miller, Greystone (Regions Tradition)
- 7 – Kyle Asbury, Old Course at Broken Sound (James Hardie)
- 6 – Kyle Worthy, TPC Sugarloaf
- 5 – Roger Null, Norwood Hills (Stifel Charity)
- 5 – Freddie Dickman, The Broadmoor (US Senior Open)
- 5 – Dane Wilson, Wakonda Club (Principal Charity)

## **Superintendents GCSAA Membership Years (top 10)**

- 43 – Larry Napora, Firestone (Kaulig Companies)
- 42 – Mike Null, Norwood Hills (Stifel Charity)
- 31 – Pete Wendt, Congressional (Sr. PGA Championship)
- 31 – Dan Husek, Hualalai (Mitsubishi Electric)
- 30 – Jonas Conlan, Mission Hills (Galleri Classic)
- 28 – Freddie Dickman, The Broadmoor (US Senior Open)
- 26 – Alan Brown, Timuquana (Constellation Furyk and Friends)
- 26 – David Swift, Minnehaha (Sanford)
- 26 – Jason Miller, Greystone (Regions Tradition)
- 26 – Scot Dey, Newport Beach (Hoag)
- 25 – Chris Hartman, The Woodlands (Insperity)

## **Superintendents Alma Maters**

- 4 – Penn State
- 2 - Michigan State
- 2 - Tennessee
- 1 – Southern Illinois-Carbondale / Horry-Georgetown Technical College / Arizona / Cal Poly San Luis Obispo / / Clemson / Sam Houston State / Western Kentucky / Kishwaukee / Indiana / SUNY – Delhi / Oregon State / Fairview / Iowa State / **Wayne CC**

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