

Insperty Invitational (PGA TOUR Champions)

The Woodlands Country Club (Tournament Course)

The Woodlands, Texas • May 8-10, 2026

Director of Golf Course Maintenance

Earl Snowden, GCSAA

Years as GCSAA Member: 19

Years at The Woodlands: 5 months

Years as Superintendent: 19

Previous Courses: Walnut Creek, Brookhaven, Fossil Creek

Hometown: Mansfield, Texas

Education: University of Georgia, Turf Management

Professional Tournaments Hosted: This is Snowden's 1st professional event.

Other Key Agronomy Personnel

Mark Schulze Sr. Assistant Superintendent

Fidel Gallaga, equipment manager

Agronomy Employees: 18 / Tournament Volunteers: 10

Course Architect

Bruce Devlin and Robert von Hagge (1982)

Renovation: Carlton Gipson (1996)

Notable

- Changes to the course in the past year: greens were taken back out to their original size, partially cored out and sprigged with TifEagle. Tees were stripped, leveled and sodded with Latitude 36 Bermudagrass and 17 trees removed due to shade issues on turf.

- There was a hard freeze in the last week of January with temperatures in the 20s followed by extended warm weather and a late freeze on March 17th that set things back and took a lot of color out of the turf.

Tournament Setup

Par: 36-36--72

Yardage: 7,002

Turfgrass

Greens: TifEagle bermudagrass .110"

Collars: 26" wide TifEagle .250"

Approaches: 419 bermudagrass .375"

Tees: Latitude bermudagrass .375"

Fairways: 419 bermudagrass .375"

Rough: 419 bermudagrass 2"

Course Statistics

Average Green Size: 8,700 sq. ft.

Acres of Fairway: 28

Acres of Rough: 116

Number of Sand Bunkers: 59 (120,000 sq. ft.)

Number of Water Hazards: 12

Number of Holes Water is in Play: 11

Soil Conditions: Sandy loam

Water Sources: Well

Drainage: Fair

Average Fairway Widths: 28 yards

Types of trees on the course: Pines, Sweetgums, Oaks

Links

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