

## Carolina Classic (Epson Tour)

Kinston Country Club • Kinston, N.C. • June 9-12, 2022

### Golf Course Superintendent

#### Patrick Conner

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Years as GCSAA Member: 6

Years at Kinston: 3

Years as a Superintendent: 8

Previous Courses: Washington Yacht & CC (super)

Hometown: Washington, N.C.

Education: Wayne CC

### Course Architect

Architect (year): Ellis Maples (1948)

### Twitter

Course - @KinstonCC1924

Tournament - @EpsonTour

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<https://www.gcsaa.org/media/tournament-fact-sheets>

### Tournament Set-up

Par: 36-35--71

Yardage: 6,317

### Turfgrass

Greens: Champion bermudagrass

Tees: 419 bermudagrass

Fairways: 419 bermudagrass

Rough: 419 bermudagrass 2"

### Additional Notes

- Recent work includes an estimated 200 tree limbs and five trees have been removed to improve shot angles. Three tees and two fairway traps have been converted to zoysiagrass. Bunkers have been edged back to their original lines.

- Drought conditions for three months and much cooler temperatures have not allowed the bermudagrass to really take off.

- The existing crew of just five members has made it difficult to get all projects completed and created a challenge to prepare the course for the tournament.

- Course is very traditional North Carolina style golf in the middle of town.

- The club will be celebrating its 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2024.

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