

Black Desert Resort Championship (Epson Tour)

Soldier Hollow (Silver Course) • Midway, Utah • September 7-9, 2023

Golf Operations Manager / Superintendent

Nathan James, GCSAA

Years as GCSAA Member: 20

Years at Soldier Hollow: 16

Years as a Superintendent: 6

Previous Courses: Wasatch Mountain (asst.), Medinah (intern), Calusa Pines (intern), The Den at Fox Creek (asst.), Prairie Vista (asst.)

Hometown: Cooksville, Ill.

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Other Key Golf Personnel

Riley Morgan, Assistant Superintendent

Alec Heinz, Assistant Superintendent

Will Bikman, Assistant Superintendent

Justin Richardson, Equipment Manager

Chris Richards, PGA Professional

Number of Employees: 20

Number of Tournament Volunteers: 8

Golf Course Dog: Addie, 5-year-old Border Collie

Course Architect

Architect (year): Gene Bates (2004)

The 36-hole facility is owned and operated by the State of Utah, which also operates two other courses in Palisade (18 holes) and Green River (9 holes).

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

Tournament Set-up

Par: 36-36--72

Yardage: 6,518 (unofficial)

Stimpmeter: 11

Course Statistics

Average Green Size: 6,200 sq. ft.

Acres of Fairway: 40

Acres of Rough: 30

Number of Sand Bunkers: 40

Number of Water Hazards: 4

Number of Holes Water is in Play: 5

Turfgrass

Greens: A-4 bentgrass

Tees: Bluegrass

Fairways: Bluegrass

Rough: Bluegrass 2.25"

Additional Notes

- Facility is 36 holes and tournament was moved from Gold course to Silver course in May.
- Course had late snow cover and then flooding due to snowmelt.
- Course had an abundance of vole damage.
- Soldier Hollow is the home of the Utah Golf Association State Amateur. The first state am at Solider Hollow was won by Tony Finau.
- The Solider Hollow winter sports venue was created for the 2002 Winter Olympics and hosted the biathlon and cross country skiing.

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