# GCSAA

## **Tournament Fact Sheet**

### Tuscaloosa Toyota Classic (Epson Tour)

Ol' Colony Golf Course • Tuscaloosa, Ala. • Sept. 30-Oct. 1, 2023

#### Director of Golf Maintenance Gib Fox, CGCS, GCSAA

Years as GCSAA Member: 31 Years at Ol' Colony: 23 Years as a Superintendent: 26 Previous Courses: Oxmoor Valley (superintendent) Hometown: Starkville, Miss. Education: Mississippi State University

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#### **Other Key Golf Personnel**

Kip Grant, Assistant Superintendent Wallace Blackburn, Assistant Superintendent Zach Eurle, Equipment Manager John Gray and Mike Shivetts, PGA Professionals Number of Employees: 8 Number of Tournament Volunteers: 3 Golf Course Dog: Sammy, Siberian husky

#### **Course Architect**

Architect (year): Jerry Pate (2000) Renovation Architect (year): Jerry Pate (2013)

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#### **Tournament Set-up**

Par: 36-36—72 Yardage: 6,515 (unofficial)

#### **Course Statistics**

Total Property Acres: 300 Acres of Fairway: 35 Acres of Rough: 80 Number of Sand Bunkers: 67 Number of Water Hazards: 3 Number of Holes Water is in Play: 8

#### Turfgrass

Greens: MiniVerde ultradwarf bermudagrass Tees: 419 bermudagrass Fairways: 419 bermudagrass Rough: 419 bermudagrass 2"

#### **Additional Notes**

• Course is a public facility with more than 30,000 rounds per year. There is also a large junior golf presence with up to 15,000 kids.

• The course has 25 acres of lakes that come into play on eight holes.

• Director of Golf Maintenance Gib Fox, is a certified golf course superintendent (CGCS), the highest level of distinction in the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA).

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