

# **Tournament Fact Sheet**

# The Solheim Cup

PGA Centenary Course, The Gleneagles Hotel Auchterarder, Perthshire, Scotland • September 13-15, 2019

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Years as GCSAA Member: 16 Years at PGA Centenary: 15 months Years as a Superintendent: 16

Previous Courses: Emirates Golf Club (dir. maintenance)

Hometown: George, South Africa

Education: University of Cape Town, South Africa

Number of Employees: 44

Number of Tournament Volunteers: 50

# **Other Key Golf Personnel**

Scott Fenwick, Director of Agronomy and Estates Stephen Lindsay, PGA Centenary Course Martin Smith, The King's Course Robert Wheadon, The Queen's Course Ronnie Wilson, Equipment Manager Kenny Mackay, Equipment Manager Andrew Jowett, PGA Professional Gary Silcock, Director of Golf

#### **Course Architect**

Architect (year): Jack Nicklaus (1993)

Renovation Architect (year): Jack Nicklaus (2012)

Course Owner: Ennismore

## **Tournament Set-up**

Par: 72

Yardage: 6,434 Stimpmeter: 11

## **Turfgrass**

Greens: Poa annua / bentgrass 3 mm/.118" Tees: Bentgrass / fescue / rye 9 mm /.354" Fairways: Bentgrass / fescue / rye 10 mm / .393"

Rough: Bentgrass / fescue / rye – various heights from 25 mm to 64 mm / .984" to

2.519"

### **Additional Notes**

- 2012 renovation details included a modernization of the course, changes made to 12 holes, remodeled bunkers on all holes.
- Course can measure up to nearly 7,300 yards making it one of the longest inland courses in Scotland.
- Course and entire property is a GEO Certified site.
- There has been improved drainage to target areas on the course.
- Weather this year has been a cold spring, dry April and wet summer.
- Course has Sub Air installed to all putting surfaces to manage oxygen and drainage as required.
- Course hosted the 2014 Ryder Cup, won by Europe 16.5-11.5.

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