

Cognizant Founders Cup (LPGA Tour)

Upper Montclair Country Club • Clifton, N.J. • May 12-15, 2022

Director of Grounds

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Years as GCSAA Member: 24

Years at Upper Montclair: 13

Years as a Superintendent: 15

Previous Courses: Trump National (dir. / super), Bedford (asst), Quaker Ridge (asst).

Hometown: Sparta, N.J.

Education: University of Massachusetts

Professional Tournaments Hosted: This will be 2nd pro event hosted by Brunelle (2009 LPGA Sybase Classic)

Other Key Golf Personnel

Graham Kasprzyk, Assistant Superintendent

Jonathan Kaschak, Assistant Superintendent

Brad Sparta, Assistant Superintendent

Edgardo Pagan, Equipment Manager

Michael Holiday, PGA Professional

Course Architect

Architect (year): A.W. Tillinghast (1928)

Renovation Architect (year): Robert Trent Jones Sr. ('57)

Restoration Architect (year): A. John Harvey (2010)

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

Tournament Set-up

Par: 36-36--72

Yardage: 6,536

Stimpmeter: 12

Course Statistics

Average Green Size: 7,000 sq. ft.

Acres of Fairway: 24

Acres of Rough: 45

Number of Sand Bunkers: 65

Number of Water Hazards: 11

Number of Holes Water is in Play: 8

Soil Conditions: Sandy clay loam

Water Sources: Third River / Spring Brook

Turfgrass

Greens: *Poa* / bentgrass .105"

Tees: *Poa* / bentgrass .300"

Fairways: *Poa* / bentgrass .375"

Rough: Tall fescue / Kentucky blue 2.5"

Additional Notes

- Many of the volunteer maintenance staff for tournament week are former assistants at Upper Mountain.

- The West Course nine (back nine for tournament) will be played in an unconventional order (1,4,5,6,7,8,9,3,2).

- Cold spring has delayed greening of the golf course.

- Course has added 20 acres of native areas over the years.

- Course has hosted PGA, LPGA and Champions events in its history.

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