

Dow Great Lakes Bay Invitational (LPGA)

Midland Country Club • Midland, Mich. • July 13-16, 2022

Golf Course Superintendent

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Years as GCSAA Member: 32

Years at Midland CC: 5

Years as a Superintendent: 30

Previous Courses: Muskegon (super, 20 years)

Detroit Golf Club (super, 5 years)

Hometown: East Dubuque, Ill.

Education: Michigan State University

Professional Tournaments Hosted: This is the 3rd Dow Great Lakes Bay hosted by Welp (no event 2019).

Other Key Golf Personnel

Rod Dutton, Assistant Superintendent

Shaena Reder, Horticulturist

Matthew Schnettler, Equipment Manager

Raymond Davis, Project Manager

Randy Ferren and Kevin Behmlander, Crew Foremen

William Fischer, Certified Commercial Applicator

Howard McGraw, Equipment Operator

Number of Employees: 22

Number of Tournament Volunteers: 10

Course Architect

Architect (year): Gilbert A. Currie (1928)

Renovation Architect (year): Larry Packard (1970), Jerry

Matthews (1990), Craig Schreiner (2018), George

Dillon (2021)

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: 35-35—70

Yardage: 6,277

Stimpmeter: 11.5

Course Statistics

Average Green Size: 5,200 sq. ft.

Acres of Fairway: 22

Acres of Rough: 40

Number of Sand Bunkers: 41

Number of Water Hazards: 2 ponds, 1 creek

Number of Holes Water is in Play: 10

Soil Conditions: Clay

Water Sources: City water

Turfgrass

Greens: *Poa Annua* / bentgrass .105"

Tees: Bentgrass .400"

Fairways: *Poa Annua* / *Poa Trivialis* .450"

Rough: *Poa Annua* / *Poa Pratensis* 2.75"

Additional Notes

- Area had a cold, wet early spring and an unseasonably hot late spring.
- Short game practice complex was completely renovated in the fall of 2021.
- Facility is GEO certified for its sustainable practices.
- Dow's involvement in the tournament has brought a focus on sustainability and recycling to Midland Country Club and the Great Lakes Bay region.
- Club was built with an emphasis on family entertainment and an active healthy lifestyle.

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