

Meijer LPGA Classic (LPGA)

Blythefield Country Club • Belmont, Mich. • June 15-18, 2023

Golf Course Superintendent

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Years as GCSAA Member: 25

Years at Blythefield: 14

Years as a Superintendent: 19

Hometown: Rockford, Mich.

Education: Penn State University

Professional Tournaments Hosted: Romanick has hosted this event since 2014.

Other Key Golf Personnel

Jake Slaydon, Assistant Superintendent

Stan Bulmer, Equipment Manager

Juan Martinez, PGA Professional

Number of Employees: 22

Number of Tournament Volunteers: 40

Course Architect

Architect (year): William Langford / Theodore Moreau ('29)

Renovation Architect (year): Chris Wilczynski (2020)

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Tournament Set-up

Par: 36-36--72

Yardage: 6,556 (unofficial)

Course Statistics

Average Green Size: 4,500 sq. ft.

Total Property Acres: 180

Acres of Fairway: 28

Acres of Rough: 60

Number of Sand Bunkers: 64

Number of Water Hazards: 2

Number of Holes Water is in Play: 1 (#14)

Soil Conditions: Sandy loam

Water Sources: Rogue River

Drainage Conditions: Mostly excellent

Turfgrass

Greens: *Poa annua* / bentgrass .105"

Collars: *Poa annua* / bentgrass .375"

Approaches: *Poa annua* / bentgrass .375"

Tees: Bentgrass .375'

Fairways: *Poa annua* / bentgrass .375"

Rough: Kentucky bluegrass 4'

Additional Notes

- Spring weather featured record drought and heat. May rainfall was 4" below avg.

- The 2020 renovation included restoring greens shape and size to the original design, reshaping and alignment of fairways, rebuild of all tees, rebuild and redesign of all bunkers, internal drainage on all greens and expanding the practice green from 4,5000 to 12,000 sq. ft.

- Formal opening in 1929 featured the foursome of Walter Hagen, Horton Smith, local golfer Morey Wells and the club's first professional, Nick Webber.

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