



Tournament Fact Sheet

CME Group Tour Championship (LPGA)

Tiburon Golf Club (Gold) • Naples, Fla. • November 20-23, 2025

Director of Agronomy

Grayson Grainger, GCSAA

Years as GCSAA Member: 21

Years at Tiburon: 5

Years as a Superintendent: 19

Previous Courses: The Clubs at St. James (superintendent)

Hometown: Green Sea, S.C.

Education: Horry-Georgetown Technical College

Professional Tournaments Hosted: This will be Grainger's 15th professional event at Tiburon, including PGA TOUR, LPGA and PGA TOUR Champions events, as he hosts three each year.

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Other Key Agronomy Personnel

Wesley Rowe, GCSAA, superintendent

Years as GCSAA Member: 9 / Years at Tiburon: 3

Hometown: Lancaster, Pa. / Education: Penn State University

Tyler Degen, senior assistant superintendent; Ernesto Fajardo, environmental tech; Lee Spotts, equipment manager; Chad Nigro, director of golf

Agronomy Employees: 40

Course Architect

Greg Norman (1998)

Notable

- Changes to the course since last year including expanding No. 12 and 18 greens back to original design while re-grading the approaches to the greens; Resurfaced five tees; Changed grass lines slightly on multiple holes; Replaced concrete cart path and replaced with crushed shell waste area on No. 4; Resurfaced the member practice tee; Completed a full irrigation system replacement on Gold Course front nine and practice areas (the back nine and clubhouse areas were done in 2024).
- Upcoming work includes a multi-year full bunker renovation on the Black Course before doing the same on the Gold Course, as well as irrigation on Black Course next summer.

- Areas has been "pretty dry" according to Grainger since mid-October as weather has been more "normal" compared to past few years.
- Courses do not close prior to the tournaments.
- Course will host the Grant Thornton Invitational Dec. 12-14.
- The Facility also hosts the PGA TOUR Champions' Chubb Classic on its Black Course each February.
- Land was formerly a tomato farm, and plants sometimes pop up in native areas.
- Agronomy team member Steve Guasco leads the divots filling teams during the tour events and is referred to by the team as the "Director of Divots".

Tournament Setup

Par: 36-36—72

Yardage: 6,700 (unofficial)

Turfgrass

Greens: TifEagle bermudagrass .120"

Tees: Celebration bermudagrass .325"

Fairways: Celebration bermudagrass .375"

Rough: None (Coquina shell waste bunkers and natural grasses)

Course Statistics

Average Green Size: 7,200 sq. ft.

Total Property Acres: 392

Acres of Fairway: 45

Acres of Rough: None (Coquina waste bunkers and natural grasses)

Number of Sand Bunkers: 50 (72,635 sq. ft.)

Number of Water Hazards: 15

Number of Holes Water is in Play: 13

Soil Conditions: Sandy

Water Sources: Well

Drainage: Good

Average Fairway Widths: 50 yards

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2025 GCSAA Course and Superintendent Notes For Courses Played (LPGA Only) (U.S./Canada Courses Only, but includes HSBC in Singapore) (This Week's Course in Red)

Tournaments by State

4 – Florida / New Jersey / Texas / Michigan

1 – Ariz. / Nev. / Calif. / Utah / Wisc. / Ore. / Canada / Mass. /

Ohio / Arkansas / Hawaii

Yardage (par)

Longest (top 10)

6,911 (72) – The Club at Carlton Woods (Chevron)

6,829 (72) – Erin Hills (US Women's Open)

6,775 (72) – Sentosa (HSBC) in Singapore

6,765 (72) – Shadow Creek (T-Mobile Match Play)

6,705 (72) – TPC River's Bend (Kroger Queen City)

6,700 (72) – Tiburón (CME Group Tour)

6,690 (72) – Liberty National (Mizuho)

6,679 (72) – El Caballero (JM Eagle)

6,661 (71) – Mississauga (CPKC)

6,661 (72) – Whirlwind (Ford)

Shortest (top 5)

6,263 (71) – Seaview (ShopRite)

6,277 (70) – Midland (Dow)

6,349 (70) – Pelican (The ANNIKA)

6,438 (71) – Pinnacle CC (Walmart NW Arkansas)

6,497 (72) – Columbia Edgewater (Portland)

6,536 (72) – Hoakalei CC (LOTTE) (*unofficial length*)

6,556 (72) – Blythefield (Meijer)

Average Green Size

Biggest (top 10)

10,600 – Sentosa (HSBC) in Singapore

8,000 – Pelican (The ANNIKA)

7,500 – Hoakalei CC (LOTTE)

7,300 – Fields Ranch East (KMPG Women's PGA)

7,200 – Tiburón (CME Group Tour)

7,000 – Black Desert (Black Desert Championship)

6,800 – The Club at Carlton Woods (Chevron)

6,500 – Erin Hills (US Women's Open)

6,300 – El Caballero (JM Eagle)

6,000 – Pinnacle CC (Walmart NW Arkansas)

6,000 – TPC River's Bend (Kroger Queen City)

6,000 – Mississauga (CPKC)

6,000 – Seaview (ShopRite)

Smallest (top 5)

4,500 – Blythefield (Meijer)

4,653 – Liberty National (Mizuho)

5,200 – Midland (Dow)

5,500 – TPC Boston (FM Championship)

5,500 – Columbia Edgewater (Portland)

5,500 – Shadow Creek (T-Mobile Match Play)

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Number of BunkersMost (top 10)

- 132 – Erin Hills (US Women's Open)
- 112 – Hoakalei CC (LOTTE)
- 110 – Liberty National (Mizuho)
- 96 – Fields Ranch East (KPMG Women's PGA)
- 93 – Seaview (ShopRite)
- 86 – El Caballero (JM Eagle)
- 74 – Shadow Creek (T-Mobile Match Play)
- 70 – Mississauga (CPKC)
- 64 – Blythefield (Meijer)
- 62 – Pinnacle CC (Walmart NW Arkansas)
- 62 – The Club at Carlton Woods (Chevron)

Fewest (top 5)

- 41 – Midland (Dow)
- 44 – Black Desert (Black Desert Championship)
- 50 – Tiburon (CME Group Tour)
- 52 – Pelican (The ANNIKA)
- 53 – TPC River's Bend (Kroger Queen City)
- 53 – Bradenton CC (Founders Cup)
- 53 – Whirlwind (Ford)

Green Turf Type

- 8 - Bentgrass
- 6 – Bermudagrass
- 4 – Bentgrass / poa
- 1 - Poa Trivialis overseed
- 1 – Poa / bermudagrass
- 1 – Poa annua
- 1 – Seashore paspalum

Rough Turf Type

- 7 - Bermudagrass
- 6 – Kentucky bluegrass
- 3 – Poa or Poa trivialis overseed
- 1 – Zoysiagrass
- 1 – Ryegrass overseed
- 1 – Fine fescue
- 1 – Tall fescue / ryegrass
- 1 – Seashore paspalum
- 1 - None

Superintendents Tournaments Hosted (includes 2025)

- 19 – Chase Turpin – Pinnacle CC (Walmart NW Arkansas)
- 16 – Grayson Grainger – Tiburon (CME Group Tour)*
- *total includes 5 CME Group Tour events
- 12 – Andrew Johnston – Sentosa (HSBC) in Singapore
- 11 – Greg Pattinson – Midland (Dow)
- 11 – Collin Romanick – Blythefield CC (Meier)
- 8 – Gregory James – Liberty National (Mizuho)
- 6 – Jim Myers – Columbia Edgewater (Portland)
- 5 – Nick Dolimpio - Lake Nona (Hilton Grand TOC)
- 4 – Roger Meier – Fields Ranch East (KPMG Women's PGA)
- 4 – Zach Reineking – Erin Hills (US Women's Open)
- 3 – Tim Brubaker – Hoakalei CC (LOTTE)
- 3 – Tim Huber – The Club at Carlton Woods (Chevron)
- 2 – Chris Corr – Pelican (The ANNIKA)
- 2 – Ian Schlather – TPC River's Bend (Kroger Queen City)
- 2 – Kyle Elliott – TPC Boston (FM Championship)
- 2 – Ken Yates – Black Desert (Black Desert Championship)
- 2 – William Leedom – Seaview (ShopRite)
- 1 – Jonathan Smith – Mississauga (CPKC)
- 1 – Matt Bachmann – Whirlwind (Ford)
- 1 – Jamie McCrosky – Bradenton CC (Founders Cup)
- 1 – Scott Delpiere – Shadow Creek (T-Mobile Match Play)
- 1 – Zach Stephens – El Caballero (JM Eagle)

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Superintendents GCSAA Membership Years

39 – Gregory James – Liberty National (Mizuho)
29 – Roger Meier – Fields Ranch East (KPMG Women's PGA)
27 – Collin Romanick – Blythefield CC (Meijer)
26 – Jim Myers – Columbia Edgewater (Portland)
26 – Greg Pattinson – Midland (Dow)
25 – Jamie McCrosky – Bradenton CC (Founders Cup)
23 – Chase Turpin – Pinnacle CC (Walmart NW Arkansas)
23 – Andrew Johnston – Sentosa (HSBC) in Singapore
22 – Zach Reineking – Erin Hills (US Women's Open)
21 – Grayson Grainger – Tiburon (CME Group)
20 – Tim Huber – The Club at Carlton Woods (Chevron)
19 – Tim Brubaker – Hoakalei CC (LOTTE)
19 – Zach Stephens – El Caballero (JM Eagle)
18 – Ian Schlather – TPC River's Bend (Kroger Queen City)
14 – Ken Yates – Black Desert (Black Desert Championship)
14 – Matt Bachman – Whirlwind (Ford)
10 – Jonathan Smith – Mississauga (CPKC)
10 – Scott Delpiere (Shadow Creek (T-Mobile Match Play)
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Superintendents Alma Maters

5 – Penn State University
3 – Michigan State University
2 – University of Massachusetts
2 – SUNY Cobleskill
1 – Delaware State University
1 – Rhode Island University
1 – University of Arizona
1 – Iowa State University
1 – University of Wisconsin
1 – Ohio State
1 – Guelph
1 – Arkansas
1 – Rutgers
1 – Horry-Georgetown Technical College

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