PGA Championship
The Ocean Course at Kiawah Island • Kiawah Island, S.C. • May 20-23, 2021

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Years as GCSAA Member: 26
Years at Ocean Course: 18 (32 years at Kiawah Island)
Years as a Superintendent: 29
Previous Courses: Turtle Point (1993-2003), Cougar Point (1992-93) at Kiawah Island Resort
Hometown: Edgewater, Fla.
Education: Lake City CC

Tournament Set-up
Par: 36-36-72
Yardage: 7,876 (unofficial)

Course Statistics
Average Green Size: 6,000 sq. ft.
Acres of Fairway: 28
Acres of Rough: 53
Number of Sand Bunkers: 30 acres of sand, no bunkers
Number of Holes Water is in Play: 6
Soil Conditions: Native beach sand
Water Sources: Deep well and reclaimed irrigation runoff
Drainage Conditions: Excellent

Turfgrass
Greens: Seashore paspalum .090”
Tees: Seashore paspalum .250”
Fairways: Seashore paspalum .300”
Rough: 419 bermudagrass overseeded with ryegrass 3.5”

Additional Notes
• Some of the work done on the course includes: Hole #1 waste area front right of green, #2 waste area and oak tree front right of green, #3 oak tree in center of fairway, #4 oak tree at bridge cross over left of hole, #6 expanded tee, #7 waste area right of fairway, #8 oak tree back left of green, #9 expanded tee, #12 two new tees, #15 new tee, #17 bulkhead along green, #18 new tee.

• The 2012 PGA Championship here was in August as opposed to this year’s May event. That tournament was the first major to be played on paspalum grass.

Other Key Golf Personnel
Robert Polk, Assistant Superintendent
Connor Carlisle, Assistant Superintendent
Chris Sires, Equipment Manager
Number of Employees: 15
Number of Tournament Volunteers: 90

Course Architect

GCSAA GCM Story on Stone and Tournament Prep:
https://bit.ly/2SCGNt8

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

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