

John Deere Classic

TPC Deere Run • Silvis, Ill. • July 8-11, 2021

Director, Golf Course Maintenance Operations

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Years as GCSAA Member: 22

Years at TPC Deere Run: 8

Years as a Superintendent: 11

Previous Courses: TPC Twin Cities (super), TPC San Antonio (construction superintendent)

Hometown: Minneapolis, Minn.

Education: University of Minnesota

Professional Tournaments Hosted: This will be the 10th Event hosted by Stuedemann (2011 AT&T, 2012-13 3M Championship and 2014-present John Deere Classic)

Other Key Golf Personnel

Andy Cooper, Assistant Superintendent

Jarrett Chapman, Assistant Superintendent

Bruce Phillipson, Equipment Manager

Todd Hajduk, Director of Golf

Andrew Elliott, PGA Professional

Number of Employees: 25

Number of Tournament Volunteers: 30

Course Architect

Architect (year): D.A. Weibring (2000)

Tournament Fact Sheets for the PGA, LPGA, Champions and Korn Ferry Tours and USGA and PGA of America championships can be found all year at:

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

Tournament Set-up

Par: 35-36--71

Yardage: 7,268

Stimpmeter: 11.5

Course Statistics

Average Green Size: 5,500 sq. ft.

Acres of Fairway: 28

Acres of Rough: 120

Number of Sand Bunkers: 78

Number of Water Hazards: 3

Number of Holes Water is in Play: 3

Soil Conditions: Silty clay

Water Sources: Surface water

Drainage Conditions: Slow

Turfgrass

Greens: L-93 bentgrass .100"

Tees: Southshore bentgrass .375"

Fairways: Southshore bentgrass .400"

Rough: Kentucky bluegrass / fescue 4"

Additional Notes

- This is the 50th Anniversary of the John Deere Classic.

- Area had a wet spring followed by above average temperatures. Maintenance practices have been cautious and geared towards long-term plant health.

- TPC Deere Run has hosted this event since 2000.

- TPC Deere Run architect D.A. Weibring, an Illinois native, is a three-time winner of the event (1979, 91 and 95), when it was called the Quad Cities Classic.

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