

# **Tournament Fact Sheet**

# **The Northern Trust**

Liberty National • Jersey City, N.J. • August 19-22, 2021

# Golf Course Superintendent Gregory James, GCSAA

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Years as GCSAA Member: 36 Years at Liberty National: 17 Years as a Superintendent: 32

Previous Courses: Plainfield CC (superintendent)

Hometown: Philadelphia, Pa. Education: Penn State University

Professional Tournaments Hosted: This will be the 5<sup>th</sup> Professional event hosted by James (2019, 13 Barclays, 2017 Presidents Cup and 2019, 21 Northern Trust)

# **Other Key Golf Personnel**

Tim Bruno, Assistant Superintendent
Tim Gallagher, Assistant Superintendent
Frazer Steven, Assistant Superintendent
Kerry Chamberlain, Equipment Manager
Dan Schleichert, Director of Golf
Lee Smith, Director of Operations
Anthony King, PGA Professional
Number of Employees: 25

Number of Tournament Volunteers: 80

#### **Course Architect**

Architect (year): Bob Cupp and Tom Kite (2006)

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

# **Tournament Set-up**

Par: 36-35--71 Yardage: 7,410

### **Course Statistics**

Average Green Size: 4,653 sq. ft.

Acres of Fairway: 23 Acres of Rough: 70

Number of Sand Bunkers: 98 Number of Water Hazards: 13

Number of Holes Water is in Play: 12

Soil Conditions: Sand cap Drainage Conditions: Good

# **Turfgrass**

Greens: A-4 bentgrass .100"
Tees: L-93 bentgrass .250"
Fairways: L-93 bentgrass .375"
Rough: Low mow – bluegrass 1.25"

Secondary 3"

#### **Additional Notes**

- Liberty National is hosting the first event of the FedEx Cup Playoffs for the fourth time (2009, 13, 19 and 21).
- Changes to the course since 2019 include: No. 2 turning left greenside bunker from one to three separate bunkers; No. 4 expanded back tee for additional length; No. 7 added a new back tee; No. 9 expanded back tee left, added trees in left rough over the creek and removed left greenside bunker; No. 13 added a back tee; No. 15 eliminated two short right fairway bunkers, expanded fairway and added a bunker closer to the green in the right rough.

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