BMW Championship (PGA TOUR)
Wilmington Country Club (South) • Wilmington, Del. • August 18-21, 2022

Director of Golf Courses & Grounds
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Years as GCSAA Member: 24
Years at Wilmington: 4
Years as a Superintendent: 20
Previous Courses: Bidermann CC (super), The Suburban Club (super), Wilmington CC (South Course super)
Hometown: Wilmington, Del.
Education: Moravian College and University of Maryland

Professional Tournaments Hosted: This is the first professional tournament hosted by Urbanski.

Other Key Golf Personnel
Tom McFeeley, South Course Superintendent
Brett Snyder, North Course Superintendent
Assistant Superintendents: Braden Thomas, Nick Leggin, Gavin Kopczynskie
Number of Employees: 60
Number of Tournament Volunteers: 60

Course Architect
Architect (year): Robert Trent Jones, Sr. (1959)
Renovation Architect (year): Andrew Green (2021)

Turfgrass
Greens: Tyee bentgrass .100"
Tees: 007 / Shark bentgrass .375"
Fairways: 007 bentgrass .390"
Rough: Tall fescue / bluegrass 4"

Course Set-up
Par: 35-36–71
Yardage: 7,534
Stimpmeter: 12.5

Course Statistics
Average Green Size: 8,100 sq. ft.
Acres of Fairway: 25
Acres of Rough: 52
Number of Sand Bunkers: 91
Number of Water Hazards: 4
Number of Holes Water is in Play: 4
Soil Conditions: Clay loam
Water Sources: Impoundment, wells
Drainage Conditions: Good

Additional Notes
• Last year’s renovation included all bunkers, adding of 8 bunkers, building 7 championship tees, changing intermediate rough to tall fescue.
• An August 2020 tornado downed a 250-year-old white oak, which allowed moving the 14th green back 60 yards. In 5 minutes, 300 trees were felled in the tornado.
• Urbanski was South Course superintendent from 1999-2002.

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Tournament Fact Sheets for the PGA TOUR, LPGA, PGA TOUR Champions, Korn Ferry and Epson Tours and USGA and PGA of America championships can be found at: https://www.gcsaa.org/media/tournament-fact-sheets
• Cold spring did not allow fine turf surfaces to break dormancy until late May/early June.

• Maintenance staff maintains the original orchard consisting of apples, pears, peaches and walnuts (approximately 100 trees) to the north of the property.

• Wilmington Country Club is an Audubon Certified Cooperative Sanctuary.

• Environmental steps include the installation of 44 bluebird, 5 purple martin and 3 bat boxes. The club recaptures stormwater from buildings to replenish the main irrigation reservoir. Maintenance staff uses GPS sprayers to reduce pesticide usage.

• Wildlife on the course include fox, deer, raccoon, rabbits, squirrels, turtles, eagles, hawks, ospreys and other birds.

• Routing will intertwine the front and back nine:

  Tournament Hole – South Course Hole
  1 – 10
  2 – 13
  3 – 14
  4 – 15
  5 – 5
  6 – 6
  7 – 7
  8 – 8
  9 – 9
  10 – 1
  11 – 2
  12 – 3
  13 – 4
  14 – 16
  15 – 17
  16 – 11
  17 – 12
  18 – 18

• Additional maintenance staff not listed on first page:
  Drew Massett, Irrigation Technician
  Kenneth Lacek, Spray Technician
  Jack Brown, Intern
  Scott Verchick, Equipment Manager
  Nick. Buoni, Assistant Equipment Manager
  Magdalena Ayon, Horticulturist
  Jon Auer, Arborist
  Rick Greback, Racquets Superintendent
  Michael Shank, PGA Professional

• This is the first PGA TOUR event in the first state. The South Course has been rated number one in the state by *Golf Digest*. 