

# **Tournament Fact Sheet**

## the Memorial Tournament (PGA TOUR)

Muirfield Village Golf Club • Dublin, Ohio • June 1-4, 2023

#### Director of Grounds Chad Mark, GCSAA

Phone: 614-889-6780 Email: cmark@mvgc.org Years as GCSAA Member: 25 (celebrated June 30, 2022) Years at Muirfield: 7 Years as a Superintendent: 20 Previous Courses: Sand Ridge, Kirtland, Inverness Hometown: Washington Court House, Ohio Education: Ohio State University Professional Tournaments Hosted: This is Chad Mark's 7<sup>th</sup> Memorial Tournament. He also hosted the 2020 Workday Charity Open.

#### **Other Key Golf Personnel**

Assistant Superintendents: Drake Cleghorn, Mitchell Cofer, Seamus Foley, Sam Montgomery, Connor Quigley Bill Claytor, Equipment Manager Eric Perkins, Tournament Operations Assistant Sara Evans, Landscape Manager / Horticulturist Number of Employees: 55 Number of Tournament Volunteers: 35 Six interns are from Australia, England, Tennessee, Purdue, Michigan State and Ohio State

#### **Course Architect**

Architect (year): Jack Nicklaus (1974) Renovation Architect (year): Jack Nicklaus (2020)

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#### **Tournament Set-up**

Par: 36-36—72 Yardage: 7,571

#### **Course Statistics**

Average Green Size: 5,000 sq. ft. Acres of Fairway: 24 Acres of Rough: 110 Number of Sand Bunkers: 68 Number of Water Hazards: 13 Number of Holes Water is in Play: 13 Soil Conditions: Clay Water Sources: Pond, well Drainage Conditions: Fair

### Turfgrass

Greens: Bentgrass .090" Collars: Bentgrass .275" Approaches: Bentgrass .275" Tees: Bentgrass .275" Fairways: Bentgrass .350" Rough: Kentucky bluegrass / rye / fescue 4"

#### **Additional Notes**

• New tees have been added on No. 16 (220 yards) and No. 17 (503 yards).

• Area has seen a lot of back-and-forth spring weather with cooler temperatures at the start of May.

• Maintenance staff moved into a state-ofthe-art facility in October.

• Two of Chad Mark's sons work at the club and will be a part of the tournament staff.

• Mark has seen five assistants transition into superintendent roles at different clubs in the last six years.

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