

## 123<sup>rd</sup> U.S. Open (USGA)

Los Angeles Country Club (North) • Los Angeles, Calif. • June 15-18, 2023

### Director of Golf Courses and Grounds

#### Chris Wilson, GCSAA

Years as GCSAA Member: 20

Years at LACC: 8<sup>th</sup> year as superintendent, 2<sup>nd</sup> stint

Previous Courses: Roaring Fork Club (super),  
Los Angeles CC (asst), Hillcrest (Okla.) CC (super),  
Southern Hills (asst)

Hometown: Arkansas City, Kan.

### Other Key Golf Personnel

#### Dan Catterson, GCSAA North Course Superintendent

North Course Assistants – Paul Burgess, Nick Boswell

Brian Wolfand, South Course Superintendent

South Assistants – Christian Foster, Adam Pellicciotti

Number of Tournament Volunteers: 100, including 37 who  
have worked at LACC in the past.

### Course Architect

Architect (year): George C. Thomas (1927)

Restoration Architects (year): Gil Hanse, Jim Wagner and  
Geoff Shackelford (2010)

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### Tournament Set-up

Par: 35-35—70

Yardage: 7,421

Stimpmeter: 13

### Turfgrass

Greens: Pure Distinction Creeping  
Bentgrass (cut to maintain speed)

Collars: Pure Distinction Creeping  
Bentgrass .275"

Approaches: Tifway 2 bermudagrass .275"

Tees: Tifway 2 bermudagrass .375"

Fairways: Tifway 2 bermudagrass .375"

Rough: Tifway 2 / Bandera bermuda 3-4"

### Additional Notes

- Restoration centered on returning the course to its original rugged, rustic look, restoring fairway contours and bunkers, new greens, and eliminating non-native vegetation.

- This will be the first U.S. Open with bermudagrass rough since 2005 at Pinehurst.

- GCSAA Director of Golf Courses and Grounds Chris Wilson was an assistant at Southern Hills for the 2001 U.S. Open and 2007 PGA Championship.

- North Course superintendent Dan Catterson's wife Lorabeth is a GCSAA assistant director of agronomy at nearby Hillcrest Country Club, which hosted a U.S. Open qualifier last week.

- Gather some background information by reading GCSAA's GCM magazine story on the LACC golf course maintenance staff: <http://bitly.ws/Hs3P>

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