



Tournament Fact Sheet

Jackson T Stephens Cup (College)

Shoreacres • Lake Bluff, Ill. • September 15-17, 2025

Golf Course Superintendent

Arron McCurdy, GCSAA

Years as GCSAA Member: 16

Years at Shoreacres: 5

Years as a Superintendent: 15

Previous Courses: Merion Golf Club (superintendent)

Hometown: Lewistown, Pa.

Education: Penn State University

Professional Tournaments Hosted: McCurdy was involved in hosting the 2009 Walker Cup and 2013 U.S. Open at Merion Golf Club.

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Other Key Agronomy Personnel

Cole Lehman, senior assistant superintendent; Adam Rhudy, assistant superintendent; Chase Groelle, assistant superintendent; Fernando Garcia, equipment manager
Golf Course Dog: Willie, a 12-year-old German shorthaired pointer

Course Architect

Seth Raynor (1916)

Renovation: Renaissance Golf (ongoing)

Notable

- Previous Jackson T Stephens Cup sites: The Alotian Club (2021); Seminole Golf Club (2022), Trinity Forest Golf Club (2023), Oklahoma City Golf and Country Club (2024).

Tournament Setup

Par: 34-36--70

Yardage: Men: 6,838 / Women: 6,207

Turfgrass

Greens: Bentgrass / Poa annua

Collars: Bentgrass

Approaches: Bentgrass

Tees: Bentgrass

Fairways: Bentgrass

Rough: Kentucky bluegrass / tall fescue / bentgrass / fine fescue / ryegrass 3"

Course Statistics

Average Green Size: 10,890 sq. ft.

Acres of Fairway: 36

Acres of Rough: 48

Number of Sand Bunkers: 77

Number of Water Hazards: 4

Number of Holes Water is in Play: 4

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