

## **U.S. Adaptive Open (USGA)**

Woodmont Country Club (South) • Rockville, Md. • July 7-9, 2025

# Director of Golf Courses and Grounds

#### Ryan Severidt, GCSAA

Years as GCSAA Member: 22 Years at Woodmont: 7 Years as Superintendent: 15 Previous Courses: The Olde Farm Golf Club (superintendent, 2010-18), Kinloch Golf Club (assistant, 2005-10) Hometown: Adel, Iowa Education: Iowa State University Contact: Mike Strauss: mstrauss@gcsaa.org / 785-865-8444

## **Other Key Agronomy Personnel**

#### Corey Landon, GCSAA, South Course Superintendent

South Course assistants: Alex Gonzalez, Ryan Hiles, Andres Escobar Ian Walker, equipment manager; David Dorn, PGA professional Agronomy Employees: 65 / Tournament Volunteers: 10

## Course Architect

Alfred Tull (1957) Renovation: Arthur Hill (1999), Joel Weiman (2023)

Golf Course Dog: Macho, 3-year-old Goldendoodle

## Notable

• The 2023 renovation included new bunkering, green adjustments and re-grassing, fairway expansions, re-grassing and re-design of tee complexes and approaches and a new irrigation system.

• The South Course started as a 9-hole, par-3 course called the Iron Duke. Recent renovations are modeled after courses in the Australian Sandbelt with bunkers scalloped into greens and fairways, and native fescue areas run right into fairway and tee height grasses.

• Cold winter, cool and wet spring and wet early summer has been tough lead up for warm season grasses.

- Course has added 100 acres of fine fescue native areas. That and more warm season grasses have both contributed to significant water reductions.
- Added aquatic plants to many ponds to help infuse oxygen and fight algae naturally.

• Created non-mowed buffers around many ponds to reduce nutrient leaching.

• Course has an ESD water recycling system in place.

## Turfgrass

Greens: 007XL / Piranha bentgrass .110" Collars: None Approaches: Tahoma / Iron Cutter bermudagrass .400" Tees: Tahoma / Iron Cutter bermudagrass .400" Fairways: Meyer / Innovation zoysiagrass .450" Rough: Tall Fescue 2.5"

## **Course Statistics**

Average Green Size: 6,700 sq. ft. Total Property Acres: 460 Acres of Fairway: 50 Acres of Rough: 20 Number of Sand Bunkers: 54 Number of Water Hazards: 10 Number of Holes Water is in Play: 5 Soil Conditions: Clay Water Sources: Well and course ponds Drainage: Poor Average Fairway Widths: 40-50 yards

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