

Nationwide Children's Hospital Championship

Ohio State Univ. Scarlet Course • Columbus, Ohio • August 15-18, 2019

Golf Course Superintendent

Dennis Bowsher, CGCS

• CGCS = *Certified Golf Course Superintendent*

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Years as GCSAA Member: 37

Years at OSU Scarlet Course:

Years as a Superintendent: 32

Previous Courses: Sunset CC (super), Spring Valley (super), Bermuda Run CC, Virginia Oaks (assistant)

Education: Ohio State University

Number of Employees: 55

Number of Tournament Volunteers: 10

Other Key Golf Personnel

Dan Trubisky, Assistant Superintendent

John Demianenko, Assistant Superintendent

Brad Swartz, Equipment Manager

Doug Knaup, Horticulturist

Brian Kelly, PGA Professional

Marc Lucas, Manager

Course Architect

Architect (year): Alister MacKenzie (1938)

Renovation Architect (year): Jack Nicklaus (2005)

Course Owner: Ohio State University

Tournament Set-up

Par: 71

Yardage: 7,444

Course Statistics

Average Green Size: 8,000 sq. ft.

Average Tee Size: 5,000 sq. ft.

Acres of Fairway: 30

Acres of Rough: 150

Number of Sand Bunkers: 64

Number of Water Hazards: 6

Soil Conditions: Clay

Water Sources: Pond

Drainage Conditions: Good on course, except greens

Turfgrass

Greens: Bentgrass / *Poa annua* .115"

Tees: Bentgrass / *Poa annua* .350"

Fairways: Bentgrass / *Poa annua* .400"

Rough: Kentucky bluegrass / ryegrass 4"

Additional Notes

- Superintendent Dennis Bowsher is an Ohio State graduate.

- Alister MacKenzie designed the course, which was not completed until four years after his death (construction was overseen by Perry Maxwell).

- Jack Nicklaus' renovation included adding 200 yards, changing par to 71 (No. 14 went from par 5 to par 4), adding fairway bunkers, and leveling greens for more pin positions.

- This is the first of the three-event Korn Ferry Tour Finals (others are Albertsons Boise Open and the Korn Ferry Tour Championship).

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