

## TPC Colorado Championship at Heron Lakes

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### Director of Golf Course Maintenance

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Years as GCSAA Member: 19

Years at TPC Colorado: 4

Years as a Superintendent: 6

Previous Courses: TPC Baha Mar (superintendent)

Hometown: Albany, Ga.

Education: Auburn University (bachelor and master's)

Number of Employees: 30

Number of Tournament Volunteers: 50 (avg. 13 per shift)

### Other Key Golf Personnel

Daniel Robbins, Assistant Superintendent

Mitch Bryden, Assistant Superintendent

Mitch Reifschneider, Assistant Superintendent

Kevin Heimann, Assistant Superintendent

Lonny Lawson, Equipment Manager

John Buser, Club Manager

PGA Professionals: Stephen Arendt, Sam Veigle,  
Ryan Shively

### Course Architect

Architect (year): Art Schaupeter (2018)

Course Owner: Jon Turner, Jim Birdsall, Chris Frye

Signature Hole: No. 16 – A downhill par 3 well protected by bunkers.

The par-five 13<sup>th</sup> hole can be stretched to 773 yards.

*Tournament Fact Sheets for the PGA, LPGA, Champions and Korn Ferry Tours can be found all year at:*

<https://www.gcsaa.org/media/tournament-fact-sheets>

### Tournament Set-up

Par: 72

Yardage: 7,991

### Course Statistics

Average Green Size: 6,750 sq. ft.

Average Tee Size: 500 sq. ft.

Acres of Fairway: 55

Acres of Rough: 40

Number of Sand Bunkers: 62

Number of Water Hazards: 3

Number of Holes Water is in Play: 3 for pros

Soil Conditions: USGA greens, sand-capped tees, heavy clays everywhere else

Water Sources: Snow melt

Drainage Conditions: Surface flow with some in-ground drainage

### Turfgrass

Greens: T1 bentgrass .100"

Approaches: V8 bentgrass

Tees: Kentucky bluegrass .450"

Fairways: Kentucky bluegrass .450"

Rough: Kentucky bluegrass 4"

### Additional Notes

- Working on Audubon certification.
- Only spray insecticides once per year (on greens only) with minimal fungicide needs... Weather station aids in water scheduling and perimeter sprinkler heads are adjustable... High winds blow sand out of the bunkers, which crew has to replenish.
- Wildlife on course include elk, deer, coyotes, blue herons, bald eagles, hawks.

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