

# **Tournament Fact Sheet**

# **Emerald Coast Classic**

Sandestin Golf and Beach Resort (Raven) • Sandestin, Fla. • April 1-4, 2021

# Golf Course Superintendent (Raven) James Gasbarro, GCSAA

Years as GCSAA Member: 17 Years at Sandestin: 27 Years as a Superintendent: 5 Hometown: Fort Walton Beach, Fla. Education: Ohio State University

Professional Tournaments Hosted: Gasbarro has hosted two Boeing Championships (Champions Tour) in 2006 and 2007.

# **Other Key Golf Personnel**

**Greg Hafely, GCSAA, Director of Golf Maintenance** Joe Metzger, Equipment Manager

#### **Course Architect**

Architect (year): Robert Trent Jones, Jr. (2000)

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#### **Tournament Set-up**

Par: 35-36--71 Yardage: 6,950 (unofficial) Stimpmeter: 12

# **Course Statistics**

Average Green Size: 6,000 sq. ft. Acres of Fairway: 30 Acres of Rough: 60 Number of Sand Bunkers: 63 Number of Water Hazards: 13 Number of Holes Water is in Play: 13 Soil Conditions: Muck / sand Water Sources: Effluent Drainage Conditions: Good

# Turfgrass

Greens: TifEagle bermudagrass .110" Tees: 419 bermudagrass .400" Fairways: 419 bermudagrass .400" Rough: 419 bermudagrass 1.25"

#### **Additional Notes**

• Golf course has seen 26" of rain in the last three months.

• The Robert Trent Jones, Jr. course has side-by-side holes with Burnt Pine Golf Club, which was designed by Rees Jones and opened in 1994.

• Raven has 19 holes with back-to-back Par 3s (16A and 16B), which rotate daily.

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