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GCSAA Tournament Fact Sheet



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Indian Wells Golf Resort
(Celebrity Course)
Indian Wells, Calif.

GCSAA Class A Director of Golf Course Maintenance Information

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Casey Conlin, CGCS

The title "CGCS," after a superintendent's name, stands for Certified Golf Course Superintendent, which recognizes the achievement of high standards of professionalism through education and experience.

Availability to media:

Contact Casey Conlin, CGCS by phone 760-345-4653; fax 760-3.60-0093; email cconlin@iwgr.com

Education:

Golf Course Maintenance, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N.J., 1999

Years as a GCSAA member: 11

Years GCSAA certified: 3

GCSAA affiliated chapter:

Hi-Lo Desert Golf Course Superintendents Association

Years at this course: 3

Number of maintenance employees: 26

Previous positions:

2002-2006, Golf Course Superintendent, Somerby Golf Club, Byron, Minn.; 2000-2002, Golf Course Superintendent, Citrus Golf Club, La Quinta, Calif.; 2000, Assistant Superintendent, PGA West (Palmer Course), La Quinta, Calif.

Previous tournament preparation:

2007-2008 LG Skins Game, Indian Wells Golf Resort (Celebrity Course), Indian Wells, Calif.; 2006 Scholarship America Showdown, Somerby Golf Club, Byron, Minn.; 2000 Bob Hope Chrysler Classic, PGA West (Palmer Course), La Quinta, Calif.

Previous events hosted by facility:

2007-2008 LG Skins Game;

GCSAA Assistant Golf Course Superintendent Information

GCSAA Assistant Superintendent:

Chris Hoyer

Availability to media:

Contact Chris Hoyer by phone 760-345-4653; cell 707-888-2270; fax 760-386-0093; email choyer@iwgr.com

Education:

A.A.S, Landscape, Golf Course and Grounds Maintenance, Rochester Community and Technical College, Rochester, Minn., 2006; A.A.S., Business Management, University of Wisconsin Eau Claire, Eau Claire, Wis., 2004

Years as a GCSAA member: 7

GCSAA affiliated chapter:

Hi-Lo Desert Golf Course Superintendents Association

Years at this course: 2.5

Previous positions:

2006-2007, 2nd Assistant Superintendent, Sonoma Golf Club, Sonoma, Calif.; 2004-2006, Intern, Somerby Golf Club, Byron, Minn.; 2002-2003, Greenskeeper, Eau Claire Country Club, Eau Claire, Wis.

Previous tournament preparation:

2006 Charles Schwab Cup Championship, Sonoma Golf Club, Sonoma, Calif.

Previous events hosted by facility:

2007-2008 LG Skins Game

Course statistics

Average tee size: 1,600 sq. ft.

Tournament stimpmeter: 11

Average green size: 5,800 sq. ft.

Soil condition: Sandy



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Green construction soil mix:

USGA (100% sand)

Rounds per year: 40,000**Acres of fairway:** 22**Source of water:** Well**Acres of rough:** 82**Drainage conditions:** Fair-good**Sand bunkers:** 95**Water hazards:** 8**Course ratings**

	Yardage	Par	Rating	Slope
Cabernet	7050	72	74.2	138
Blue	6632	72	72.5	132
White	6339	72	71.0	127
Green	6029	72	69.9/75.6	124/137
Red	5316	72	71.7	128

Course characteristics

	Primary Grasses	Height of Cut
Tees	Bermudagrass; perennial ryegrass	0.400"
Fairways	Bermudagrass; perennial ryegrass	0.40"
Greens	Bermudagrass; <i>Poa annua</i> ; <i>Poa trivialis</i>	0.125"
Rough	Bermudagrass; perennial ryegrass	1.25"

Wildlife on the course

Blue heron; Canada goose; Coyote; Fish;
Hawk; Mole; Rabbit; Snakes; Several different
species of birds

Interesting and historical course-related facts

In addition to spectacular mountain views, the Celebrity course features undulating fairways, and flowing water in the form of streams, brooks and split-level lakes connected by waterfalls with vibrant floral detail. From start to finish, the Celebrity course promises an unmatched golf experience that will have players returning again and again.

The Celebrity Course is very forgiving and provides a very fair layout for the average handicapper, while at the same time providing adequate challenges for the low handicap.

Just twenty minutes from Palm Springs International Airport, Indian Wells Golf Resort is one of Southern California's premier golf destinations. Among its many accolades, the Indian Wells Golf Resort holds the distinction of being the only 36-hole public golf facility on *Golfweek's* Top 20 "Best Courses You Can Play" in California.

Clive Clark's Celebrity Course opened to rave reviews in November of 2006 and served as the site of the 25th Anniversary LG Skins Game in 2007, and again in 2008. Playability, diversity, and challenge are among the highlights of this desert masterpiece, which features breathtaking mountain views, stunning water features, and an unparalleled golf outing for players of every level.

John Fought created the Indian Wells Putting Course, a lighted, 9-hole, natural grass putting course.

The IW Club, an extraordinary 53,000-square-foot clubhouse that offers a wide range of upscale amenities to complement your Indian Wells golf experience.

Most recent redesign/renovation:

Clive Clark, 2006

Other key course personnel

Gerad Nelson, Assistant Superintendent
Rolland Vaughn, PGA Professional

[Golf course management facts](#)

For additional information please visit the GCSAA [association news](#) section or contact the Communications Department at 800-472-7878.

GCSAA is a leading golf organization and has as its focus golf course management. Since 1926, GCSAA has been the top professional association for the men and women who manage golf courses in the United States and worldwide. From its headquarters in Lawrence, Kan., the association provides education, information and representation to more than 20,000 members in more than 72 countries. GCSAA's mission is to serve its members, advance their profession and enhance the enjoyment, growth and vitality of the game of golf. The association's philanthropic organization, [The Environmental Institute for Golf](#), works to strengthen the compatibility of golf with the natural environment through research grants, support for education programs and outreach efforts. Visit GCSAA at www.gcsaa.org.

