



Palm Beach Chapter spotters all geared up for the Senior PGA event at PGA National.



Central Florida Chapter volunteers gather before getting group assignments "inside the ropes" at the Nestle Invitational.

Inside the Ropes

Acting as the eyes and ears for NBC Sports, the FGCSA has been providing spotters and scorers for the television broadcasts of LPGA, Sr. PGA and PGA Tour events in Florida for several years now. It is a win-win situation for all involved. NBC gets golf knowledgeable people to report who's away, club selections, unusual shots, penalty situations and scores to the production trailer for relay to the announcers, and the FGCSA members get the best seat in the house inside the ropes following a group of players during competition. Additionally, the monies paid by NBC for these services is turned over to chapter scholarship and research funds. ↘

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walk in the park to stay ahead of golfers in the morning and trying to beat sundown each night.

Mark and assistants, Allison Reaves and Steve Kugler figure they began putting in 90 hour weeks a month out to make sure the new course would be ready. Including them, it is a 25 man operation with 18 crew members grooming the turf. There are 90 bunkers. Some of them rival the Mojave and Sahara in size. It took 4 mechanical sand rakes to rake them ahead of play each day. Mark said he had zero spare people, and on Saturday he found himself walk mowing greens to cover for a "no show" by a now former employee. There were three other saving graces that

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