

Champions Tour Players Rank TPC of the Twin Cities As Top Course in 2003

The Tournament Players Club of the Twin Cities was recently ranked as the top course overall on the Champions Tour by the Champions Tour players themselves. In only its third season hosting the 3M Championship, the TPC of the Twin Cities was ranked higher than any of the other 28 courses that hosted Champions Tour events in 2003.

The TOUR players evaluated all 28 courses on overall playability and conditioning with emphasis in the following areas: putting greens, teeing grounds, fairways, roughs, bunkers and practice facility.

The TPC of the Twin Cities received a score average of 3.54 on a 4.0 scale. The average score for all 28 clubs hosting Champions Tour events was 3.12.

Some of the comments from the Champions Tour players who participated in the 2003 3M Championship at the TPC of the Twin Cities included:

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"The golf course is in perfect condition." - Jim Thorpe

"We are obviously very proud to receive such a favorable ranking, especially considering all the other fine golf facilities around the country that host



Champions Tour events," said General Manager and Director of Golf, Alan Cull. "Golf Course Superintendent, Paul Grogan, and his staff take tremendous pride in our course conditions and are to be commended for an outstanding job."

About the Tournament Players Club of the Twin Cities

The Tournament Players Club of the Twin Cities opened on June 28, 2000, as the 19th Club in the prestigious TPC Network. Created by a signature design team featuring golf legend Arnold Palmer with assistance from PGA TOUR player consultant Tom Lehman, the TPC of the Twin Cities provides the type of first class golfing experience expected from Minnesota's only PGA TOUR facility.

Out of a peaceful sod farm, Palmer and Lehman sculpted a championship golf course that features rolling fairways, natural prairie grasses and 27 bodies of open water throughout the par 72 layout. Tee, fairways and greens are meticulously manicured with the finest bentgrass. The course provides a masterful blend of challenge and playability for the enjoyment of

all skill levels, professionals and amateurs alike.

The TPC of the Twin Cities is also the home of the Champions Tour's 3M Championship, one of the most popular and successful events on the circuit.

The PGA TOUR's Tournament Players Club (TPC) Network represents a commitment to service and excellence unsurpassed in the golf industry.

Overseen by TOUR subsidiary PGA TOUR Golf Course Properties, Inc., the Tournament Players Club Network continues to expand, with more than 30 facilities open or in the development stage, including licensed courses and licensed international facilities.

Throughout its history, the TPC Network has maintained the high standards that set it apart from other golf facilities. Whether private, daily fee or resort, each Tournament Players Club embodies the traits that have been a trademark since the TPC at Sawgrass first opened its world-renowned Stadium Course in the fall of 1980. (Editor's Note: For more information on the TPC Network, visit tpc.com.)