

## **Canterbury Country Club**

**ARCHITECT(S): Herbert Strong (opened for play 1921)**

**LOCATION: Beachwood, Ohio, USA**

**PGA 2000 version: May 2009 - October 2009 by Dale Somerfelt**

### **SCORECARD:**

Tee	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Out	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	In	Total
Par	4	4	3	4	4	4	3	4	5	35	4	3	4	4	4	4	5	3	4	35	70
Black	442	374	178	457	415	461	198	413	555	3493	360	180	375	473	387	368	616	229	441	3429	6922
Blue	432	367	176	452	412	460	196	410	552	3457	344	180	373	469	384	367	611	228	439	3395	6852
White	426	338	143	414	380	430	168	362	549	3210	335	139	350	451	370	355	585	195	391	3171	6381
Red	282	276	115	352	371	423	145	351	429	2744	325	122	303	427	285	303	484	159	336	2744	5488

### **The Course**

Canterbury Golf Club, home to one of the most acclaimed courses in the United States, was designed by Herbert Strong and opened for play in 1921. Located approximately 10 miles southeast of Cleveland in Beachwood, Ohio, Canterbury Golf Club is recognized by Golf Digest as one of the top 100 courses in America, and by playing host to the 70th Senior PGA Championship will become just the second U.S. club behind Oak Hill Country Club of Rochester, N.Y., to welcome all U.S. men's rotating championships.

Canterbury Golf Club opened its doors to premier championships in 1932, hosting the Western Open won by Ralph Guldahl in a playoff over Horton Smith. It followed by hosting the 1940 and 1946 U.S. Open Championships, won respectively by Lawson Little and Lloyd Mangrum.

In 1964, Canterbury hosted the U.S. Amateur Championship, won by William Campbell of Huntingdon, W. Va.; and in 1973, Ohio native Jack Nicklaus marked the 55th PGA Championship as his 14th major title. In 1996, Dave Stockton posted a two-stroke victory at Canterbury to win the U.S. Senior Open.

Canterbury was constructed to embrace the natural topography of high elevation, rolling hills, flowing brooks and lush wooded areas.

### **Architect's Notes**

I visited Canterbury for the first time this May (2009) for a practice round during the 70<sup>th</sup> Senior PGA Championship. I had wanted to do this course since 1996, when the Senior Open was at Canterbury, but just never got around to it. It is impressive what Herbert Strong was able to do with such a small amount of land (146 acres). Recently, much as at Oakmont, the trees have been thinned out to open up some of the views. Numbers sixteen; seventeen and eighteen have been called the best finishing holes in golf.

For the Senior Championship some of the order of the holes were changed (an example: Numbers 10 thru 15 were changed to 1- 6) for television most probably. In this version, I have kept the original routing.

As always, I used "Google Earth" and "Virtual Earth" to recreate the layout and help with the planting locations. I based elevations on a topo map of the area and photos of the course.

### **Thanks and giving credit where credit is due:**

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*Dale Somerfelt  
October, 2009*

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Pinery Narrows - \*Chinook North - Mentor Marsh #1 – TPC at Mt. St. Helens – \*TPC at Waterloo –  
\*TPC at Heron Bay - \*English Turn - \*TPC at Southwind - \*Sagebrush - \*TPC at Las Colinas  
And with Lee Gordon: the \*TPC at River Highlands & \*Cathedral Rock

For PGA 2000 – PUUOO, Colonial (R), Mentor Marsh, Hazeltine (R), Sagebrush, English Turn (R), Pinery Narrows, Oak Hill (R), Cathedral Rock, PGA West (Stadium Course) (R), Royal St. George (R), The TPC at Mt. St. Helens, TPC at Las Colinas (R), Firestone South Course (R), Chinook North (Championship & Member's Courses), Torrey Pines-South (R), Bay Hill (R), Murfield Village (R), Baltusrol-Lower (R), Forest Oaks (R), Riviera (R), Innisbrook – Copperhead Course (R), Oakmont CC (R), Westchester CC (R), Congressional (Blue) (R), TPC at Summerlin (R), Fox Den (R), Poppy Hills (R) PGA National (R), Barton Creek (R) Boston Hills (R) and helping David Salter with Royal Liverpool (R)

(R) = Real course

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