



# Tournament Fact Sheet

## PURE Insurance Championship (PGA TOUR Champions)

Pebble Beach Golf Links • Pebble Beach, Calif. • September 19-21, 2025

### Golf Course Superintendent

**Pete Bachman, GCSC, GCSAA**

Years as GCSAA Member: 17

Years at Pebble Beach Company: 12 (2<sup>nd</sup> year as superintendent)

Years as a Superintendent: 9

Previous Courses: Pebble Beach (assistant), San Jose Country Club (superintendent), Spanish Bay (superintendent)

Hometown: Palmrya, Pa.

Education: Penn State University

Professional Tournaments Hosted: In his time at Pebble Beach he has been a part of one U.S. Open, 8 AT&T Pro-Ams, 8 Pure Insurance Championship and 8 Pebble Beach Invitationals. This is his 4<sup>th</sup> professional tour event as superintendent.

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### Other Key Agronomy Personnel

Cole Petrick, senior assistant; Paxson Swartz, first assistant;

Ryan Siegfried, Hay Course assistant; Charlie Almony, field supervisor; Michael Henderson, equipment manager

Agronomy Employees: 29 / Tournament Volunteers: 20

Golf Course Dogs: Rosco and Rosy

### Course Architect

Jack Neville and Douglas Grant (1919)

### Notable

- Since last year the 10<sup>th</sup> green was re-built.
- Including this week, the last three events on the senior tour are being played on three of the six shortest courses so far on the tour this year

2. 6,747 (par 70) – Minnehaha (Sanford)

5. 6,858 (par 72) – Pebble Beach (PURE Insurance)

6. 6,992 (par 71) – Norwood Hills (Stifel Charity)

### Tournament Setup

Par: 36-36--72

Yardage: 6,858

### Turfgrass

Greens: Poa annua .125"

Collars: Ryegrass / Poa annua .400"

Approaches: Ryegrass / Poa annua .400"

Tees: Ryegrass / Poa annua .400"

Fairways: Ryegrass / Poa annua .450"

Rough: Ryegrass / Poa annua 2-3"

### Course Statistics

Average Green Size: 3,500 sq. ft.

Acres of Fairway: 27

Acres of Rough: 80

Number of Sand Bunkers: 116

Number of Water Hazards: 1 (Pacific Ocean)

Soil Conditions: Sandy loam

Water Sources: Effluent

Drainage: Fair

High Elevation: 100' (No. 15 tee)

Low Elevation: Sea Level (No. 18)

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## Spyglass Hill

### Golf Course Superintendent

#### Sean Sherbert, GCSAA

Years as GCSAA Member: 12

Years at Spyglass Hill: 5 (4.5 as an assistant superintendent)

Years as Superintendent: 1<sup>st</sup> year

Previous Courses (most recent first): Pebble Beach (sr. assistant), Spyglass Hill (assistant), Poppy Hills (assistant)

Hometown: Moraga, Calif.

Education: Penn State University (turfgrass), Humboldt State University (psychology with minor in business administration)

Professional Tournaments Hosted: 2nd as a superintendent as he co-hosted the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am in January, but was involved as an assistant in U.S. Amateur, U.S. Women's Open and previous AT&T Pro-Ams and Pure Insurance Opens.

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### Other Key Agronomy Personnel

Mike Watson, assistant superintendent, Tony Ramos, assistant superintendent, Sal Aleman, equipment manager, Robert Venegas, field supervisor, Jose Lugo, irrigation technician, Mario Pineda, spray technician

Agronomy Employees: 24 / Tournament Volunteers: 35

### Course Architect

Robert Trent Jones Sr. (1966)

Renovation: 1999

### Notable

- Last December storms took out 30 trees including the featured Cypress in #16 fairway.
- #6 green complex was renovated in 2024 with the green expanded by 1,200 sq. ft. providing more pin locations in the front lobe and areas in the back left and back right of the green.
- Upgrade of irrigation system since last year.
- Added drainage in areas on holes 1, 7, 10, 11, 14 and 18.

- In 2025 the #15 green complex was rebuilt, and additional Cypress and Oak tree plantings were added on the course.
- #8 green complex was rebuilt prior to the 2024 tournament.
- The course is said to be located where Robert Louis Stevenson got his inspiration for the famous novel Treasure Island.
- Every hole on the course was named after a significant place or character in the novel Treasure Island.
- Maintenance staff average tenure is 14.5 years at course.
- Tournament volunteers mostly consist of former employees and future turf managers who are finishing up their educations.

### Tournament Setup

Par: 36-36--72

Yardage: 7,000

### Turfgrass

Greens: Poa annua .120"

Collars: Perennial ryegrass / Poa annua .400"

Approaches: Perennial ryegrass / Poa annua .400"

Tees: Perennial ryegrass / Poa annua .400"

Fairways: Perennial ryegrass / Poa annua .400"

Rough: Perennial ryegrass / Poa annua 2"

### Course Statistics

Average Green Size: 5,000 sq. ft.

Acres of Fairway: 24

Acres of Rough: 65

Number of Sand Bunkers: 62 (3.29 acres)

Number of Water Hazards: 4

Number of Holes Water is in Play: 4

Soil Conditions: Sandy loam

Water Sources: Effluent / reverse osmosis / micro filtration

Drainage: Sand-capped fairways

Average Fairway Widths: 25-30 yards

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## 2025 GCSAA Course and Superintendent Notes For Courses Played to Date (PGA TOUR Champions Only) (Primary Courses, U.S. and Canada Courses Only) (This Week's Course in Red)

### Tournaments by State

3 – California

2 – Florida

1 – Hawaii / Ariz. / Ga. / Texas / Ala. / Wash. D.C. / Iowa / Wis. /  
Ohio / Colo. / N.Y. / Wash. / Canada / Mich. / Mo. / S. Dakota

### Yardage (par)

#### Longest (top 10)

7,264 (70) – The Broadmoor (US Senior)  
7,249 (72) – Greystone (Regions Tradition)  
7,248 (70) – Firestone (Kaulig Companies)  
7,217 (72) – The Club at Snoqualmie Ridge (Boeing)  
7,179 (72) – TPC Sugarloaf (Mitsubishi Electric)  
7,165 (72) – Mission Hills (Galleri Classic)  
7,152 (72) – Congressional (Sr. PGA Championship)  
7,107 (72) – Hualalai (Mitsubishi Electric)  
7,093 (70) – Canyon Meadows (Rogers Charity)  
7,085 (72) – Warwick Hills (The Ally Challenge)

#### Shortest (top 5)

6,725 (71) – Newport Beach (Hoag)  
6,747 (70) – Minnehaha (Sanford)  
6,835 (72) – Wakonda Club (Principal Charity)  
6,856 (71) – La Paloma (Cologuard)  
**6,858 (72) – Pebble Beach (PURE Insurance)**

### Average Green Size

#### Largest (top 10)

8,000 – Norwood Hills (Stifel Charity)  
8,000 – En-Joie (DICK's Sporting Goods)  
7,600 – Firestone (Kaulig Companies)  
7,417 – Hualalai (Mitsubishi Electric)  
7,219 – Congressional (Sr. PGA Championship)  
7,000 – Minnehaha (Sanford)  
6,963 – Mission Hills (Galleri Classic)  
6,700 – Wakonda Club (Principal Charity)  
6,690 – The Broadmoor (US Senior)  
6,500 – The Old Course at Broken Sound (James Hardie)

#### Smallest (top 5)

**3,500 – Pebble Beach (PURE Insurance)**  
4,200 – Newport Beach (Hoag)  
4,500 – La Paloma (Cologuard)  
4,500 – The Woodlands (Insperity)  
5,500 – Warwick Hills (The Ally Challenge)  
5,500 – Tiburon (Chubb Classic)

### Number of Bunkers

#### Most (top 10)

144 – Congressional (Sr. PGA Championship)  
**116 – Pebble Beach (PURE Insurance)**  
114 – The Club at Snoqualmie Ridge (Boeing)  
87 – Warwick Hills (The Ally Challenge)  
84 – Hualalai (Mitsubishi Electric)  
83 – Newport Beach (Hoag)  
82 – Firestone (Kaulig Companies)  
82 – The Old Course at Broken Sound (James Hardie)  
81 – The Broadmoor (US Senior)  
73 – TPC Wisconsin (American Family Insurance)

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## Fewest (top 5)

- 36 – (also 21 waste areas) – Tiburon (Chubb Classic)
- 41 – Minnehaha (Sanford)
- 41 – Greystone (Regions Tradition)
- 50 – En-Joie (DICK'S Sporting Goods)
- 54 – TPC Sugarloaf (Mitsubishi Electric)

## **Green Turf Type**

- 5 – Bentgrass
- 5 – Bermudagrass
- 4 – Poa annua
- 4 – Bentgrass / poa annua
- 2 – Poa Trivialis overseed
- 1 – Paspalum

## **Rough Turf Type**

- 8 – Bluegrass / ryegrass / fescue / Poa mixes
- 5 – Bermudagrass
- 3 – Kentucky bluegrass
- 2 – Perennial ryegrass overseed
- 1 – Paspalum
- 1 – Kikuyu / Poa annua

## **Superintendents Tournaments Hosted (includes 2025) (top 10)**

- 20 – Dan Husek, Hualalai (Mitsubishi Electric)
- 19 – Ryan Gordon, The Club at Snoqualmie Ridge (Boeing)
- 18 – Larry Napora, Firestone (Kaulig Companies)
- 15 – Grayson Grainger, Tiburon (Chubb Classic)
- 14 – Chris Hartman, The Woodlands (Insperity)
- 10 – David Swift, Minnehaha (Sanford)
- 9 – Jason Miller, Greystone (Regions Tradition)
- 7 – Kyle Asbury, Old Course at Broken Sound (James Hardie)
- 6 – Kyle Worthy, TPC Sugarloaf
- 5 – Roger Null, Norwood Hills (Stifel Charity)
- 5 – Freddie Dickman, The Broadmoor (US Senior Open)
- 5 – Dane Wilson, Wakonda Club (Principal Charity)

## **Superintendents GCSAA Membership Years (top 10)**

- 43 – Larry Napora, Firestone (Kaulig Companies)
- 42 – Mike Null, Norwood Hills (Stifel Charity)
- 31 – Pete Wendt, Congressional (Sr. PGA Championship)
- 31 – Dan Husek, Hualalai (Mitsubishi Electric)
- 30 – Jonas Conlan, Mission Hills (Galleri Classic)
- 28 – Freddie Dickman, The Broadmoor (US Senior Open)
- 26 – David Swift, Minnehaha (Sanford)
- 26 – Jason Miller, Greystone (Regions Tradition)
- 26 – Scot Dey, Newport Beach (Hoag)
- 25 – Chris Hartman, The Woodlands (Insperity)

## **Superintendents Alma Maters**

- 4 – Penn State
- 2 – Michigan State
- 1 – Southern Illinois-Carbondale / Horry-Georgetown Technical College / Arizona / Cal Poly San Luis Obispo / / Clemson / Sam Houston State / Tennessee / Western Kentucky / Kishwaukee / Indiana / SUNY – Delhi / Oregon State / Fairview / Iowa State

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