

AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am (PGA TOUR)

Pebble Beach Golf Links • Pebble Beach, Calif. • February 1-4, 2024

Golf Course Superintendent

Pete Bachman, CGCS, GCSAA

Years as GCSAA Member: 16

Years at Pebble Beach Co.: 11

Years as a Superintendent: 8

Previous Courses: Pebble Beach (asst), San Jose CC (super), Spanish Bay (super)

Hometown: Palmyra, Pa.

Education: Penn State University

Professional Tournaments Hosted: Bachman has been involved in the AT&T Pro-Am, Pure Insurance Champ., Taylor Made Pebble Beach Invitational

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Other Key Golf Personnel

Sean Sherbert, Senior Assistant Superintendent

Cole Petrick, Assistant Superintendent

Paxson Swartz, Assistant Superintendent

Charlie Almony, Field Supervisor

Michael Henderson, Equipment Manager

Number of Employees: 29

Number of Tournament Volunteers: 20

Golf Course Dogs: Paige and Rosco

Course Architect

Architect (year): Jack Neville & Douglas Grant (1919)

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Tournament Set-up

Par: 36-36--72

Yardage: 6,972

Stimpmeter: 10.5

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 Conditions: Fair

Turfgrass

Greens: Poa annua .125"

Collars: Ryegrass/Poa annua .400"

Approaches: Rye/Poa annua .400"

Tees: Ryegrass/Poa annua .400"

Fairways: Ryegrass/Poa annua .450"

Rough: Ryegrass/Poa annua 2-3"

Additional Notes

- It has been very wet leading up to the tournament.
- Wildlife on the course include deer, bobcat, coyote, hawks, owls, kites, osprey.
- Course will host the 2027 U.S. Open.
- Pebble Beach was the 3rd-shortest course on tour last year and comes a week after playing the longest (7,765-yard Torrey Pines).
- Pebble Beach has the smallest average green size on tour at 3,500 sq. ft. Last week's Torrey Pines average of 5,000 tied for 6th smallest average.

Spyglass info and more notes follow

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Spyglass Hill • Pebble Beach, Calif. • February 1-4, 2024

Golf Course Superintendent

Robert Yeo, GCSAA

Years as GCSAA Member: 27

Years at Spyglass Hill: 19

Years as a Superintendent: 24

Previous Courses: Del Monte (super), The Links at Spanish Bay (super)

Hometown: Pacific Grove, Calif.

Education: University of Hawaii

Professional Tournaments Hosted: Yeo has co-hosted this event since 2006 as well as the TaylorMade Pebble Beach Pro-Am since 1985. He also hosted 2018 U.S. Am.

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Did You Know?

Superintendent Bob Yeo earned the Golf Course Superintendents Association of Northern California's "Excellence in Turfgrass, Public Course" award for 2023.

Other Key Golf Personnel

Mike Watson, Assistant Superintendent

Tony Ramos, Assistant Superintendent

Sal Aleman, Equipment Manager

Robert Venegas, Field Supervisor

Jose Lugo, Irrigation Technician

Number of Employees: 24

Number of Tournament Volunteers: 35

Course Architect

Architect (year): Robert Trent Jones Sr. (1966)

Renovation (year): 1999

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Tournament Set-up

Par: 36-36--72

Yardage: 7,041 (unofficial)

Course Statistics

Average Green Size: 5,000 sq. ft.

Acres of Fairway: 24

Acres of Rough: 65

Number of Sand Bunkers: 62

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 Conditions: Sand-capped

Turfgrass

Greens: Poa annua .110"

Collars and Approaches: .425"

Tees: Perennial ryegrass/Poa annua .375"

Fairways: Perennial rye/Poa annua .425"

Rough: Perennial rye/Poa annua 2"

Additional Notes

- The Spyglass maintenance staff average tenure is 18 years at the course.
- Most tournament maintenance volunteers are from Cal Poly SLO and Mt. San Antonio College turf programs.
- Winter has been cold and wet.
- Course hosted U.S. Amateur in 1999 and 2018.
- No. 14 green and green complex were rebuilt since last year's event.
- Nearly every hole on the course was named after a significant place or character in the novel Treasure Island.

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GCSAA Notes (PGA TOUR Only) (Primary Courses Only)

2024 Tournaments by State (multiple events)

5 – California (3rd straight in the state)

- 4 – Florida
- 4 – Texas
- 3 – North Carolina
- 2 – Hawaii
- 2 – Georgia
- 2 – South Carolina

2023 Longest Courses (7,500+)

- 7,765 – Torrey Pines (Farmers Insurance)
- 7,670 – Puntacana Resort (Corales Puntacana)
- 7,596 – Plantation Course (Sentry TOC)
- 7,571 – Muirfield Village (the Memorial)
- 7,545 – Augusta National (The Masters)
- 7,538 – Quail Hollow (Wells Fargo)

2023 Shortest Courses

- 6,828 – Port Royal (Butterfield Bermuda)
- 6,852 – TPC River Highlands (Travelers)
- 6,972 – Pebble Beach (AT&T Pebble Beach)**
- 7,005 – Sea Island (The RSM Classic)
- 7,044 – Waialae CC (Sony Open)

2023 Largest Avg. Greens by sq. ft.

- 8,722 – Plantation Course (Sentry TOC)
- 8,300 – El Cardonal (World Wide Tech)
- 8,000 – Port Royal (Butterfield Bermuda)
- 7,500 – Riviera (Genesis Inv.)
- 7,500 – Bay Hill (Arnold Palmer)
- 7,400 – TPC Summerlin (Shriners)

2023 Smallest Avg. Greens by sq. ft.

- 3,500 – Pebble Beach (AT&T Pebble Beach)**
- 3,700 – Harbour Town (RBC Heritage)
- 4,300 – TPC Southwind (FedEx St. Jude)
- 4,500 – Albany (Hero World Challenge)
- 4,500 – Oak Hill (PGA Championship)
- 5,000 – PGA West Stadium (American Express)
- 5,000 – Torrey Pines (Farmers Insurance)
- 5,000 – Muirfield Village (the Memorial)
- 5,000 – Colonial CC (Charles Schwab)
- 5,000 – TPC River Highlands (Travelers)

2023 Course by Greens Turf Types

- 16 – Bentgrass
- 13 – Bermudagrass
- 11 – Poa (3rd straight on this surface)**
- 2 – Paspalum

GCSAA Superintendent Notes (PGA TOUR Only)

Longest GCSAA Membership

- 44 – Stanley Reedy, CGCS (Sanderson)
- 41 – Sam MacKenzie, CGCS (BMW Champ)
- 38 – Brian Sullivan, CGCS, MG (Am. Express)
- 37 – William B. Owen III (Masters)
- 35 – Roby Robertson, CGCS (Valero Texas)
- 35 – Kevin Welker, CGCS (World Wide Tech)
- 34 – Dale Hahn, CGCS (Shriners)

Note: Avg. GCSAA membership years for host superintendents is 19.5.

Superintendents by Alma Mater (if known)

- 3 – Mississippi State
- 3 – Ohio State
- 3 – Penn State
- 3 – Rutgers
- 2 – University of Guelph (Canada)
- 2 – Michigan State