

# Hole of the

▶ Hole No. 3 | The Ocean Course, The Country Club at New Seabury



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# Month

| Mashpee, Mass.

## Hole Stats

Distance: 425 yards

Par 4

## The Turf

Green: *Poa Annua*

Fairway: Bentgrass/*Poa Annua* mixed

The Country Club at New Seabury is home to The Dunes and The Ocean, two of New England's premiere golf courses.

Designed by William Mitchell in 1962, The Ocean provides spectacular views of Nantucket Sound and Martha's Vineyard. Topping the list of its many accolades over the years is being recognized as "The Pebble Beach of the East."

Hole No. 3 is one of the most photographed holes at New Seabury. The par four plays more than 400 yards with beach and ocean running its entire left side. A fairway bunker guarding the right side and windy conditions on the approach demand both an accurate tee shot and follow-up with a long second shot to the green.



Maintaining its "Pebble Beach of the East" status is an ongoing challenge. Golf course superintendent Scott Nickerson works with a staff of 45 crew members to manage both courses — mowing daily from tee to green. Pest pressures include dollar spot, anthracnose and a recent increase in insects.

Both courses have consistently faced dollar spot pressure, and the disease occurs more prevalently on fairways. Nickerson is in his third year of spraying greens and fairways in October and again in late May or early June with Emerald® fungicide at a rate of .18 ounces per 1,000 square feet.

Nickerson applies other products in his rotation on an average of every three weeks to keep dollar spot pressure under control. "Emerald has given us five weeks of control this year," Nickerson said. "Everyone else in this area seems to have dollar spot pressure. We had it and if I can get five weeks of control out of a product, I'm ecstatic. Emerald is certainly doing its job."

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