

2000 U.S. OPEN FACT SHEET

Pebble Beach Golf Links

PAR AND YARDAGE

Pebble Beach Golf Links is set up at 6,846 yards and par is 35-36-71.

COURSE SET-UP

Pebble Beach will feature two par 3s on each nine, with one par 5 on the front nine and two par 5s on the second nine. The second hole is being converted from a par 5 (as in each of the previous Opens at Pebble Beach) to a 484-yard par 4. The fairway widths in the drive zone will be between 28 (No. 11) and 32 yards (several

holes). The primary rough will be grown to 5 inches (one inch higher than in 1999), and the intermediate rough will be 1½ inches. The greens will be set to run at 10'-6" on the Stimpmeter.

ARCHITECTS

Jack Neville and his friend Douglas Grant collaborated on the design and construction of Pebble Beach Golf Links without having had prior design or construction experience. Neville was chosen as the lead designer because he was a fine amateur golfer and a real estate salesman for Pacific Improvement Company, the company that owned the land. He was a five-time California Amateur champion, winning the title in 1912, '13, '19, '22 and '29. He also was named to the 1923 U.S. Walker Cup team. First called Del Monte Golf and Country, the famed golf course was opened in 1918. Neither Neville nor Grant went on to become highly successful golf course architects.

FIRST GOLF EVENT AT PEBBLE BEACH

In 1919, Mike Brady of Massachusetts shot 79-75—154 to win the first golf tournament held at Pebble Beach by 13 strokes. In 1920, the California Amateur was moved to this site, where it has been contested each year since.

USGA CHAMPIONSHIPS AT PEBBLE BEACH

Pebble Beach is no stranger to high-caliber competition. This will be the 10th national championship to be conducted at Pebble Beach Golf Links. The first USGA championship at Pebble Beach was the 1929 U.S. Amateur. The Amateur came back again in 1947, 1961 and 1999. The U.S. Open was conducted here in 1972, 1982 and 1992, and the U.S. Women's Amateur was held at Pebble Beach in 1940 and 1948.

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Since 1947 and with six title changes, this tournament is held in late January each year. Mark O'Meara is a five-time winner. The California Amateur has been held here since 1920.

PEBBLE BEACH COURSE RECORD

Tom Kite with a 10-under-par 62 in 1983, tied in 1997 by David Duval.



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