

Natural Turf

Cape Cod National Seashore

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Highland Links Makes History

The Highland Links Golf Course, operated by Johnson Golf Management, has teamed up with Cape Cod National Seashore to test a chemical-free approach to creating and maintaining a naturally sustaining turf.

The first hole is part of a pilot study in which it is being treated exclusively with natural, organic products. The method was developed with the help of Chip Osborne of Osborne Organics and Beyond Pesticides, perhaps the foremost expert in natural turf management. The effectiveness of the treatment, begun in 2015, will be evaluated after a few years. If successful, Johnson Golf Management will expand its use at Highland Links and perhaps at other courses they manage.

When you stand at the first tee, consider that every part of the first hole, from tee to green, is being treated as a holistic system. Proven successful in a wide range of settings, from golf courses to private homes, this is a great opportunity for Highland Links to extend the tradition of a true links course, providing an excellent golfing experience and showcasing the natural and cultural beauty of Cape Cod National Seashore.



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