AUGUSTA, Ga. — LT. Walden, executive vice president of E-Z-GO Textron, was recently named president of the National Golf Car Manufacturers' Association for 1991. The election took place during the organization's first-quarter business session held in conjunction with the Professional Golf Association's Annual Merchandise Show in Orlando, Fla.

Walden, a native of Gibson, Ga., began his career with E-Z-GO in 1962, just eight years after the company’s founding by brothers Beverly and Bill Dolan in a small Augusta workshop. Over the years, Walden has played a major role in the company’s rapid growth from a small firm to one of the world’s largest utility vehicle manufacturers. E-Z-GO has more than 1,000 employees and 500,000 square feet of manufacturing space. The company produced 35,000 plus vehicles last year.

In 1981, Walden was appointed director of service and distribution for E-Z-GO and in 1983 vice president of customer service. Walden was made the vice president of sales and marketing in 1985 and subsequently served as executive vice president of the Georgia-based company.

Last November Walden was appointed acting general manager of the entire E-Z-GO Textron organization.

In accepting the presidency of the National Golf Car Manufacturers' Association, Walden pledged his loyalty and commitment to the best interests of the association and the industry at large.

"It's indeed an honor to serve my outstanding associates and peers in this leadership role," he said.

"As I exercise my duties, you can count on me to do everything possible to live up to the confidence and trust that this fine group has bestowed upon me."

The new National Golf Car Manufacturers' Association president can be contacted by writing E-Z-GO Division of Textron, Inc., P.O. Box 338, Marvin Griffin Rd., Augusta, Ga. 30913 or by telephoning 404-798-4311.

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