

Art Hills signs on for new golf projects in Fla. and Mo.

ST. LOUIS, Mo. — Arthur Hills has been commissioned to design new layouts in Missouri and Florida.

The new 27-hole Pevely Farm Golf Club in St. Louis is scheduled to open here in the summer of 1994.

Arthur Kerckhoff, the Pevely Farm trustee overseeing development of the 700-acre residential community, announced that the club will be an upscale, semi-private facility.

"It's a once-in-a-lifetime

project for us," Kerckhoff said. "Arthur Hills is the man who can fulfill our expectations for the golf course. His design philosophy fits our goal to preserve the unique features of the site and to create a facility that everyone will find challenging and playable."

"Pevely Farm is blessed with abundant natural beauty," Hills said. "The site's heavily wooded bluffs, lakes and picturesque streams are the ingredients for a beautiful course. Our design intent will be to build a course that

is natural, that relates carefully to the land."

The residential community plans include approximately 137 one-acre homesites and 23 three-to five-acre parcels.

Hills has also been chosen to design The Sanctuary at Wulfert Point, a 465-acre residential community here.

The Hills' design will be a par-72, 6,724-yard layout with four sets of tees. It is scheduled to open next January. The Army Corps of Engineers has approved the ef-

forts of The Sanctuary developer, Wulfert Holdings, and its team, which includes Coastplan, Inc. and R.W. Stevens environmental consulting services.

The member-owned, private golf club is surrounded by a national wildlife preserve. Ecoventures Sanibel, one of Florida's largest real-estate developers who specialize in building near sensitive areas, will create 156 multi-family golf villas arranged in villages.

LaFoy oversees rebuilding of Surf Golf & Beach Club

NORTH MYRTLE BEACH, S.C. — The Surf Golf and Beach Club is rebuilding all 18 of its greens plus the practice green this summer to meet United States Golf Association specifications and to restore George Cobb's original design.

Overseen by Cobb apprentice and golf course architect John LaFoy, the work should be complete and the course open in late September.

The greens reconstruction is part of a major capital improvement program that began in 1989 with renovation of and additions to the clubhouse.

Surf Club's board decided to rebuild the greens because over the past 30 years they have lost much of their original character and shape.

Landscapes Unlimited of Lincoln, Neb., is the contractor.

"In looking at the renovation of the Surf Club, I see my job not so much to redesign, but to enhance the already great character of this course," LaFoy said. "The renovated greens will have more well-defined bunkers, more putting surface, more green area definition and more potential pin placements.

"Putting the new greens will be a different challenge than that faced by golfers today. The finished product will add to the already tremendous appeal this course has to golfers of all handicaps."

The new greens will be grassed in Tifgreen 328 Bermudagrass. Surf Club decided not to switch to bentgrass because it has been tested only a short time along the Grand Strand. The hybrid Bermudagrasses used on the course's greens had begun to mutate back to their parent strains — a natural tendency in hybrids after years of stress.

Cupp and Draper team up in B.C.

ATLANTA, Ga. — Al Draper and Associates has been selected as the contractor for Sea to Sky National Golf Club in Pemberton, British Columbia, Canada.

As designer of the course, Cupp Design, Inc. assisted developer Tom Lindsey of Balaclava Enterprises Ltd. in selection of the contractor. Construction has begun.

The public course will consist of 18 holes at par 72, and will have a driving range with a two-hole teaching academy.

Yardage from the back tees is 7,042. The course is scheduled to open in the spring of 1994.

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