The golf course architecture firm of Robinson & Carrick Associates Ltd. of Willowdale, Ontario, has completed construction of Calerin Golf Course in Erin, Ontario. This is the 8th hole on the nine-hole private course. Calerin is one of two courses Robinson and Carrick will open in July, according to Doug Carrick. Osprey Valley Heathlands Course, an 18-hole daily-fee facility, is also set to open that month in Alton, Ontario. The Heathlands course was built between May 15 and Sept. 15 last year.

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NGF report concentrates on munis

JUPITER, Fla. — A new National Golf Foundation (NGF) report offers communities, private developers and others interested in building and/or operating a public golf facility a close look at the common denominators of some of today's newer and more successful municipal projects.

Entitled Lessons Learned from New Municipal Golf Course Development, the 75-page report includes profiles of 20 municipal courses that have opened for business since 1985. The courses selected are representative of municipal facilities across the nation in terms of location, size and type of facility.

Each profile includes information on:
- Conditions that led to the decision to develop the course and who was involved.
- How the land was acquired.
- How the project was financed.
- How design and construction was accomplished.
- The variety of operating systems and fee structures being employed.
- What developers say they might have done differently if they had to do it all over again.

Among the case histories are examples of projects for which the land was donated by a variety of sources, such as developers, private citizens and corporations. There are also examples of developments that municipalities have undertaken in conjunction with both management companies and park districts.

For further information, call NGF's Membership Service Department at 800-733-6006.

S.C. course to mix business, pleasure

ROCK HILL, S.C. — Rock Hill Economic Development Corp. officials have revealed a master plan for the Waterford Business Park that features a privately developed 18-hole golf course.

Palmetto Club Properties of Greenville will finance, develop and manage the golf course, to be designed by three-time U.S. Open champion Hale Irwin. N. Barton Tuck, Jr., general partner for Palmetto Club Properties, said the course will be challenging while offering executives and employees an opportunity to mix business with pleasure. Construction is expected to begin in the fall and open by the fall of 1993 or spring of 1994.

Walking trails, lakes and extensive landscaping are also planned around industrial warehouse and office buildings along the Catawba River. At least 51 percent of golf course tee times will be available to the public. The business park tenants will receive special corporate privileges and Rock Hill residents will receive a 10 percent discount on weekdays.

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