RT Jones II course nears completion in Naples, Fla.

NAPLES, Fla. — The construction of an 18-hole golf course, designed by Robert Trent Jones II, is almost complete. With play expected to begin in the fall, the course will become part of Kensington Golf and Country Club, a 309-acre community.

The course’s 26,697-square-foot clubhouse is also under construction with completion set for early 1994. During a recent inspection of the course, Jones said each hole would enhance the environmental aspects of the property.

“We’ve designed this course around the 29-acre natural preserve located right in the heart of the community,” explained Jones to the Naples Daily News. “We’ve taken this natural area, extended it with natural plants, and created rolling terrain. The final effect will be a golf course which will look as if it has been here for years.”

Former owners and new investors team up to resolve Conn. club’s financial difficulties

STONINGTON, Conn. — The former owners of Pequot Golf Course have teamed with new investors to buy the 18-hole layout for $2 million. General partner Robert Tobin, a New London attorney and former owner, said the sale resolves the foreclosure action pending on the course.

To resolve the foreclosure action, the former owners — who had tried unsuccessfully to build condominiums — also transferred the 390 acres adjacent to the course to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

The condo plan was nixed when the Inland Wetlands Commission and Planning and Zoning Commission did not grant the necessary approvals.

Tobin said the failure to obtain approvals to develop the land and the poor economy were two of the reasons behind the owners’ financial problems.

Tobin, New London attorney Ralph Dupont and former Thames Valley Steel President John Carr purchased the course and the property for approximately $5 million in 1987 from Cynthia Bowley.

Oak Terrace CC sold to Pa. group for $14 million

HORSHAM, Pa. — Hanse Federal Association has sold a country club and adjoining undeveloped land for $14 million to a partnership formed by Realan Homes Inc., a Delaware Valley homebuilder.

The properties include Oak Terrace Country Club’s existing 18-hole private golf course, clubhouse, driving range, offices, and 178-acres of undeveloped land zoned for residential use.

The owners plan to build a new 18-hole course. The existing layout will produce nine new holes, and the other nine will be constructed on the undeveloped portion of the site.

Water supply may nix N.J. development

FRANKLIN, N.J. — Presence of a borough drinking water supply may endanger approval of a proposed golf course project here, according to members of the Environmental Commission. Commission members say they will question the effect of chemical runoff from the golf course during the next Planning Board meeting.

The golf course, lying on 250 acres in both Franklin and Hardyston, would be located behind the ShopRite supermarket and the site of the newly approved Walmart.

Building starts at Garbin layout

LYCIPPUS, Pa. — Good-Sky Inc.’s construction of an 18-hole public golf course here has begun.

Architect Fred Garbin and associate Sandy Bigler designed the course, located on an 180-acre farm in the village of Lycippus. It could be completed for play by spring 1994.

Located five miles from the intersections of U.S. Route 30 and Legislative Route 130, the course is nestled in the backdrop of the Laurel Highlands countryside.

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