Fuji's first daily-fee opens, sporting Tom Fazio design

ATLANTA, Ga. — White Columns Golf Club — the first daily-fee golf course developed by Fuji Development USA, Ltd. and the first daily-fee course design in Georgia for architect Tom Fazio — has opened in the North Fulton County community of Crabapple.

From the world-class practice facility to the brilliant course design, White Columns Golf Club offers a quality that until now was found only in the most exclusive private clubs," said Hajime Yamazaki, president and CEO of Fuji.

Fazio designed the course with a traditional flavor featuring signature sand bunkering, rectangular tee boxes, elevated greens and minimal manipulation to the land. The course may be played from 5,087 to 7,053 yards. The 18-hole layout winds its way through 250 acres of stately woodlands and across lakes, streams and ponds.

The White Columns' practice facility is a showcase: an expansive practice tee with six target greens, two putting and chipping greens, practice sand bunkers and a private instruction tee. The clubhouse features a large pro shop, grill room, lockers, showers, patio and spacious tournament function areas and offers expansive views of the practice area and first and ninth holes.

White Columns is surrounded by a 550-acre residential community with homesites starting at one acre and homes priced from the low $300,000s that will be available for occupancy soon. Yamazaki says White Columns offers a level of quality parallel to that at The Golf Club of Georgia, a nationally-ranked 36-hole private development by Fuji in Alpharetta.

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Wastewater the last hold-up to Shiloh Meadows

WINDSOR, Calif. — A luxury golf resort in the hills east of Windsor looks like a "go," provided developers can resolve a lingering wastewater issue.

The Shiloh Meadows project calls for an 18-hole championship golf course, a clubhouse, restaurant, lodge and luxury homes.

It's part of a larger 2,000-acre development originally approved by the county in 1986.

Sonoma County developer Marv Soiland heads a list of Shiloh Meadows partners which includes the family of Peanuts cartoonist Charles Schulz.

The project has met opposition from neighbors and environmental groups who say it's too big for the rural site and that wastewater could contaminate nearby Mark West Creek.

The next step will likely be a round of negotiations between the developers, the town and project opponents to resolve wastewater and sewage issues. One scenario calls for Shiloh wastewater to be piped to the town's treatment plant and then pumped back to Shiloh for use on the golf course and storage in a lake.

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