SAIPAN — The routing plan has been completed and the developer is clearing up some final details, allowing construction to begin on a new, 36-hole development here at Objan Beach.

Jay Morrish has designed the first 18 holes for developer Haas and Haynie Inc. of San Francisco.

Located on the southern part of the island, the site includes four miles of oceanfront and 200-foot cliffs, according to son Carter Morrish.

Morrish has worked with Haas and Haynie on several other projects including recently completed Saddle Creek in Stockton, Calif. Haas and Haynie has also developed two other U.S. courses, Genoa Lakes in Reno, Nev., and Estancia in Scottsdale, Ariz.

FUZHUO, China—The first nine holes here at Trans Strait Golf Club will open this fall or early in 1997, according to Robert Trent Jones II International which designed the course.

Developed by Liu and Associates of Taiwan, Trans Strait stretches over 185 acres of wind-swept dunes and trees, and boasts four holes sitting atop high bluffs overlooking the Taiwan Strait.

A resort course, it will offer individual memberships as well as tee times to area hotel guests, according to Doug Ingram, RTJIH’s vice president of design and construction activities. Once the first holes are in play, the second nine will open six months later, Ingram said.

“The site is ’unbelievable - like Pebble Beach but with intermittent stands of trees,” said RTJJ’s Steve Schroeder.

“With as much wind as they get, a lot of design elements had to be done — wider landing areas, more open-entry greens and slightly larger putting surfaces,” Ingram said. “You get a real variety of views: the sea, a large nearby lake and back up into the land through stands of trees.”

JAKARTA, Indonesia — What is being touted as the first public signature course in Indonesia has opened for play. Green fees at Desmond Muirhead-designed Imperial Klub Golf are Rp130,000 for 18 holes.

“Imperial Klub Golf is a unique golf course designed to cater to an increasing number of golfers who are not always in a position to afford expensive member-
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have access to a privileged club

Based CCA International Inc., the

Anthony Cottan of Hong Kong-

course operator.

Commercial and recreational

complex, Imperial Klub Golf

Karawaci, a vast residential,

range and CCA Golf Academy.

Corporate day packages are avail-

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porate day packages are avail-

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“We are very proud to pioneer

the first public course in Indone-

sia and plan to take this concept

to other countries around the

region where golf is equally

popular, but not readily available

here at the Gary Player-de-

signed Straits KMP Resort. The

opening of nine of this 36-hole

project should be open for play

by mid-1997, according to Phil

Jacobs of Gary Player Design

Co.

Construction at Straits KMP

includes several innovations.

Terracottam, a mixture of hy-

dro-absorbent polymers, mineral

fertilizers, organic fertilizers and

growth stimulators, will be in-

corporated into the fairway grow-

faces.

Zosia El Toro is being planted

on the fairways, roughs and tees,

with Tildwarf on the putting sur-

faces.

Elsewhere in Asia-Pacific,

Player expects a late-1996 open-

ing for the 18-hole Manu Country

Club in Japan. In the Philip-

pines, the player designed Baguii project — developed by mega-developer Sta. Lucia Re-

alty — has entered the final

phase permitting. Player design

is now finalizing detailed draw-

ings.

Finally, in Shenzhen, China,

more than 650 members at-

tended the recent grand open-

ing at Sand River Golf Club here,

deeply heavy rains leading to

further settling on the primarily

reclaimed land.

The opening of Phase I in-

cludes the inland nine holes,

lighted for night golf, and the

Gary Player golf academy and

instructional areas. Sand River

now claims to be the only club in

China with night golf, though at

least two others are working on

it.

The project has improved its
drudge-and-foll operations sig-

ificantly, speeding progress on

the ocean 18. Shaping is well

underway.

Hurdzan breaks into Aussie market

BY MARK LESLIE

FORSTER/TUNCURRY, Australia —

Tallwoods Proprietary Ltd., led by

Dubbo developer Bill Richardson and a

silent partner, foresees the project as sec-

ond-home and retirement community. The

course will be private to community resi-

dents, but will offer tee times to visitors,

such as from hotels at the neighboring

towns about 20 kilometers away.

The site is just 2 kilometers from the

ocean, spread over hilly topography, Whechel said. “The climate is wonderful,

and it’s a great property,” he said, “hills and

valleys and with 100 foot-high and higher
eucalyptus trees. We’ll be playing up val-

leys, with several lakes on the golf course.

“We’re working around some interesting

native vegetation. It contains some

very, very nice, small rain forest-type ar-

eas, and we’ll play around them and high-

light them within the course.”

The 6,100-meter, par-72 track will be

“retirement-person oriented,” Whechel said. “We want golfers to have fun. We

don’t want to beat them up. It will be

challenging from the back tees and

friendly from the middle tees.”

Because Tallwoods Proprietary is the

general contractor, the course will cost

just Australian$3 million, he added.

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