Pelican Bay undertakes greens work

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — Golfers will experience larger greens and more consistent putting surfaces when a $260,000 greens improvement project at Pelican Bay Country Club's Members Course here is completed later this year.

The project, supervised by International Golf Management (IGM) of Lakeland, is slated for completion around Labor Day. All greens at the 18-hole course are being reconfigured and enlarged, and most bunkers and sandtraps are being changed, according to Jerry Broome, IGM's regional manager at Pelican Bay.

Broome said Pelican Bay's outstanding characteristics are its roominess and the "sense of tranquility" golfers feel when they play either of the two courses.

A specialist in providing golf course maintenance services on a contract basis, IGM is also overseeing a $700,000 golf course upgrade at The Palms, one of five courses it maintains at the sprawling Palm-Aire Spa and Resort in Pompano Beach.

Under this project, IGM is in charge of redesigning and rebuilding the 18-hole course's greens, bunkers, select tees and fairways, as well as major irrigation and drainage improvements. This is the first face-lift for the Robert von Hagge-designed course since it opened in 1959. Work was scheduled for completion by the end of July.