Shadow Creek accepts tee times

LAS VEGAS — One of the most exclusive courses in the world, Mirage Resorts' Shadow Creek, is about to make its first public appearance. Mirage Resorts has made a limited number of tee times available to play Shadow Creek.

The course, which has been rated among the country's best, has been reserved for an exclusive list of the Las Vegas resort's employees, guests and colleagues. Since mid-July, however, the general public have been able to purchase a limited number of tee times.

For $1,000 an individual guest receives a tee time to play the highly-acclaimed course and a suite at any one of Mirage Resort's four Las Vegas hotels including the Golden Nugget, Treasure Island and The Mirage, based on availability. A maximum of two players may participate per suite with additional rounds available for purchase for $500. Included in this price is transportation to and from Shadow Creek and a caddie to escort guests around the course.

Since opening in 1989, Shadow Creek has been named the top new private course by Golf Digest magazine in 1994 (its first year of eligibility) and was subsequently named one of the top 10 golf courses in America in the magazine's annual ratings. Shadow Creek was designed by architect Tom Fazio in collaboration with Mirage Resorts Chairman Steve Wynn.

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facility adjacent to The Ponds Golf Center, includes an ice hockey rink, bowling lanes, high-tech batting cage, a variety of indoor amusements, restaurants and a conference center. Leisure Complexes' bowling center division has seven locations throughout Long Island.

In addition to Sports Plus and Leisure Complexes' bowling center division, this transaction brings the total number of golf facilities owned, operated or under construction by Family Golf Centers to 52 in 18 states.

Family Golf also recently acquired three golf facilities and was awarded contracts to build three golf centers.

The newly acquired facilities are Supersports Family Fun Park in Carver, Mass.; Palm Royale Golf Course in Palm Desert, Calif.; and Southampton Golf Center in Philadelphia, Pa.

Construction contracts were awarded by Cerritos College for a golf center in Los Angeles; the Metropolitan Transportation Authority New York City, for a golf center on Gunhill Road in the Bronx; and the New York City Department of Parks and Recreation, for a practice center in Dreier-Offerman Park in Brooklyn.

The previously announced acquisitions now completed are the San Bruno Golf Center in San Bruno, Calif.; Rio Salado Golf Course in Tempe, Ariz.; and Divot City Golf Center in Milpitas, Calif.

Each of the sites offer features common to all Family Golf centers, including driving ranges, pro shops and short-game practice areas.

The Palm Desert and Tempe properties also include nine-hole executive golf courses, and the Family Fun Park in Carver, Mass., has additional leisure activities such as a go-cart track, bumper boats, and batting cages.

Family Golf will manage the centers it constructs in the Bronx and Brooklyn. The Brooklyn center will be the third location the company has been asked to operate for the New York City Parks Department, which has licensed centers to Family Golf on Randall's Island and Douglaston, Queens.

Added Chang: "The expansion is representative of our strategy to build, acquire and operate golf-related facilities that also provide family entertainment. The three new facilities to be constructed in New York City and Los Angeles are in densely populated middle income urban locations which have proven to be very profitable for Family Golf."