Palmer course major piece of proposed Omaha project

OMAHA, Neb. — A golf course designed by Arnold Palmer Course Design is part of a proposed 660-acre residential development in the northwest part of the city to be called The Player's Club at Deer Creek.

The Palmer-designed facility would be a daily-fee course. Plans call for the first 18 holes to open by summer 1999. Developers hope to add another nine by 2001 and an additional nine to create a 36-hole facility after that.

The course owners are the course builder, Landscapes Unlimited; Dan Livingston, an Omaha resident who owns Sports Video Productions; and possibly, Palmer himself. Work on the $6 million project could start in April or May.

Building underway on Okla. state track

KINGSTON, Okla. — Construction has started on Oklahoma's newest state-owned golf course.

The upscale, daily-fee Chickasaw Point Golf Course, designed by golf course architect Randy Heckenkemper, will be located at Lake Texoma Lodge, one of the state's flagship tourist lodges. The new course is expected to be a showpiece for recreational tourism.

Heckenkemper, who's based in Tulsa, has designed a layout that rambles along the shores and bluffs overlooking Lake Texoma, with views to the lake from 16 of the course's 18 holes. He's called it one of the most dramatic properties he's ever seen in the state.

Work will be ongoing and there's an outside chance the course could be open for limited play by this fall.

Officials seeking golf proposals for capitol city landfill

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Officials of the Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio are seeking development proposals for the former Franklin County Landfill on the south edge of the city and they've made it clear they'd love a golf course.

The 185-acre landfill, which was closed in 1989, has utilities, water and an impressive view of downtown Columbus, according to Mike Long, the authority's executive director. At least one developer has already expressed interest. Cincinnati-based Petro Environmental Technologies has been talking with the authority about the possibility of a golf course for more than a year.

The authority will meet during the next few months to discuss and review proposals and a decision could be reached by spring.

Expansion planned for Hogan Park GC

MIDLAND, Texas — Work will start soon on a nine-hole addition to the Hogan Park Golf Course, a 27-hole public facility consistently rated as one of the best in Texas. Golfscapes of Plano, Texas, designed the new nine holes, which should be ready for play by fall 1999. The city has set aside $1.25 million for the project. The last time an addition was made to Hogan Park was in 1978, when nine holes were added to the original 18 to create the current 27 holes.