

## Ault, Clark use compost on landfill site

YARMOUTH, Mass. — Using compost and sewage sludge in the root-zone mix, Ault, Clark & Associates is designing a nine-hole addition to Bayberry Hills Golf Course in the geographic center of Cape Cod. Not only are seven of the nine holes being constructed on the recently capped landfill, but the manufac-

tured loam/topsoil being spread is a recipe that includes native sands, yard-waste compost and sewage sludge. The course will be irrigated with high-quality effluent from a neighboring septage treatment facility.

Ault, Clark is a sub-consultant to the engineering firm Camp Dresser & McKee. This links-

style addition will feature bentgrass tees, greens and fairways, rolling mounds and depressions, large flowing greens, native grasses, and stone outcroppings, offering a windswept alternative to the existing tree-lined course. With four sets of tees, the course will stretch from 2,500 to 3,500 yards.

Meanwhile, Ault, Clark and PGA Tour pro Curtis Strange have been retained by the city of Portsmouth, Va., and Golf Business Advisors to provide design remodeling services to Bide-A-Wee Golf Course. The course was originally developed by PGA Tour Hall of Fame member Chandler Harper in the mid-1950s.

The renovations include rebuilding all tee and green complexes, expanding the practice

range, shaping subtle mounds and depressions, new fairway and waste bunkers, additional ponds, new irrigation, and inclusion of a complete system of golf car paths. Also scheduled for construction is a new clubhouse, pavilion, maintenance area and expanded parking.

Meanwhile, in Chesapeake, Va., Ault, Clark is designing a 27-hole course at Cahoon Plantation, a driving range and putting course.

## Rees Jones' first Texas golf project begins

HOUSTON — The Redstone Group, a Houston-based integrated financial services group, has broke ground on a private, 36-hole golf club, which will feature two courses designed by Rees Jones. The project, named The Houstonian Golf Club, is located in Ft. Bend County, and is Jones' first design project in Texas. Redstone, which owns and operates Houstonian Hotel, Club & Spa in Houston, plans to operate one course as an exclusive club, and the second as an amenity to hotel guests and Houstonian Club members.

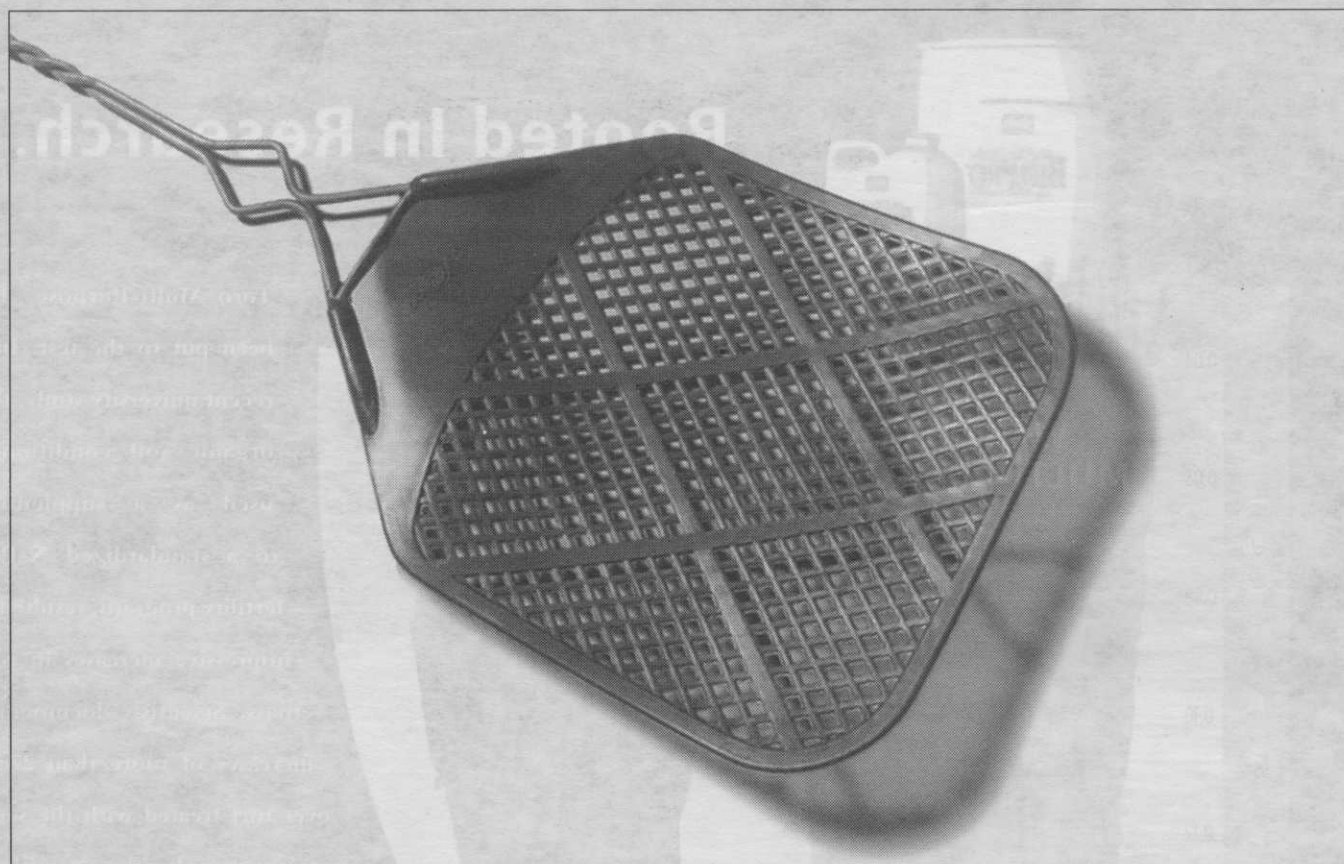
Project manager Jim Hardy of Golf Services Group of Houston said The Houstonian Golf Club will be comparable to such other Rees Jones projects as the Atlantic Golf Club in Bridgehampton, N.Y., and Ocean Forest Golf Club in Sea Island, Ga.

"Rees is a marquee name in golf course development these days," said Hardy. "His approach is lauded by golfers who have passion for the classic type golf experience. This project is a big coup for Texas."

Jones was selected to redesign the Congressional County Club in Bethesda, Md., for the 1997 U.S. Open, and has also redesigned the Country Club in Brookline, Mass., Hazeltine National Golf Club in Minnesota, and Baltusrol's lower course in New Jersey.

According to Jones, the Houstonian Golf Club will possess a multi-theme style of design with clearly defined shot-making objectives, and a variety of sand, grass and water features. He believes the selection of the site is crucial, and that it serves as a canvas for the creation of the design. At the Houstonian Golf Club, Jones will blend the property's 65-acre lake and Texas flora with rolls, hollows and sculpted landforms.

"The ultimate measure of success is building uncontrived courses that have enough variety and character to retain the golfer's interest round after round. I strive to build my courses to stand the test of time," said Jones.



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