

ClubLink may buy Toronto's Glen Abbey

The Royal Canadian Golf Association (RCGA) and ClubLink are discussing the possible sale to ClubLink of the Glen Abbey Golf Club and adjacent development lands.

Over the years the RCGA has had numerous discussions about the sale of Glen Abbey. The RCGA has agreed to exclusively negotiate with ClubLink in this regard.

ClubLink is a major Canadian developer, owner, and operator of high-quality golf clubs and related residential real-estate developments.

The RCGA, the governing body of men's amateur golf in Canada, determines national policies and standards relating to the game on behalf of its more than 282,000 members.

GOLF TRUST, DIAMOND PLAYERS CLUB TEAM UP IN ORLANDO

CHARLESTON, S.C.—Golf Trust of America, Inc., a self-administered real-estate investment trust, has closed its acquisitions of Wekiva Golf Club and Sweetwater Country Club located near Orlando, Fla. Wekiva, a semi-private course, and Sweetwater, a private club, are two upscale, 18-hole facilities, located within two miles of each other, effectively

giving the market a 36-hole complex under one management.

Both properties will be leased to Diamond Players Club, a golf management company whose headquarters will be located at Sweetwater Country Club, according to Todd Stottlemire, chief executive officer and a professional baseball player with the Texas Rangers.

Walters nabs Maxwell to run Vegas operation

LAS VEGAS — Roger Maxwell has joined The Walters Group as vice president of golf operations for the company's Southern Nevada golf courses, which include Desert Pines Golf Course, Stallion Mountain Country Club and the Royal Links Golf Club, which is scheduled to open in November.

Maxwell will oversee all aspects of the company's golf operations, including course management, staffing, merchandising and customer service.

Maxwell is a member of *Golf Digest* Top 100 Courses selection committee and has also been named one of the 36 most powerful individuals in golf by *Golf Digest*. In addition, *Golfweek* magazine has named him one of the 18 most influential individuals in the industry.

"Our partnership with Roger Maxwell will provide the finishing touches for our Southern Nevada golf courses and enable us to bring a new level of exceptional service to our guests," said Bill Walters, chairman and chief executive officer of The Walters Group.

A member of the PGA for 27 years, Maxwell is president of In Celebration of Golf, a 13,000-square-foot golf retail specialty shop in Scottsdale, Ariz., and In Celebration of Golf Management, which manages four courses in the Phoenix area.

As vice president for Marriott Golf from 1987 to 1993, Maxwell was responsible for the development and growth of 23 U.S. golf facilities, grossing in excess of \$65 million annually. He was the head golf professional and director of golf for Marriott Hotels and Resorts from 1972 to 1987.

While at Marriott, Maxwell was recognized as America's Top Director of Golf by *Executive Golfer* magazine (June 1987) and one of four Golf Entrepreneurs of the Year for 1990 by *Golf Shop* magazine.

The Walters Group is a Las Vegas-based holding company for diversified investments and business ventures including golf course development, ownership and management.

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