Notre Dame track nearing completion

SOUTH BEND, Ind. — Bill Coore and Ben Crenshaw are putting the finishing touches on Notre Dame's $11 million Warren Golf Club.

The 6,987-yard, par-71 course, which winds through 250 acres of gently rolling, wooded terrain, has a distinctly old feel to it. Landing areas are large and the greens are of the rectangular, pushed-up variety, encouraging bump-and-run shots as opposed to target golf.

Shot making on par-3's and short approaches, however, will be tested by smaller greens and protective bunkering.

The fairways will be planted with fine-leaf fescue, which requires less maintenance and watering, and the greens and tees will feature bentgrass.

The golf course will be growing in all summer with an opening date set for this fall.

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Mass.' Hillside set to open long-anticipated nine-hole expansion

REHOBOTH, Mass.—Hillside Country Club will open its fully expanded, 18-hole course this spring.

A nine-hole enterprise since 1975, Hillside has been owned and managed since 1980 by George Cardono, who immediately launched a program to revamp and redesign the course to become the 18-hole venue it is today. Cardono has a lengthy background in design and golf and is a member of the National Golf Course Owner’s Association (NGCOA), the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA) and the Rehoboth Business Association (RBA).

Said Cardono: “Thanks to our superintendent, Serafim Costa, our 18-hole course will be a treat for knowledgeable golfers who appreciate the hard work that goes into maintaining a golf course on a daily basis.” Costa, who has been superintendent at Hillside since 1985, has 25 years’ experience in golf course maintenance. Costa is also a European Golf Champion, winning the TAP Portuguese Open in 1979.

“My dream is about to come true,” says Cardono of his 10 years at the drawing board, at the controls of heavy equipment, or at the end of a shovel or a rake. “It’s a great feeling to see your vision become a tangible entity, to know that people will enjoy, probably curse from time to time, but in the end, admire what we’re doing.”

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