

BRIEFS

BRADENTON, Fla.- Work is underway and a January opening planned at Waterlefe Golf & River Club near Bradenton. "Nine of the greens are sprigged and sodded already," Director of Sales Rob King said. Plans at Waterlefe include a championship golf course, fitness center, pool and nature trails that wind through the course and along the river. The Ted McAnlis-designed, 18-hole championship course, which includes practice greens and driving range, will be semi-private.

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ALPHARETTA, Ga. - Bergin Golf Designs has two projects scheduled for construction starts this fall. They are The Golf Club of Alabama, in Oxford, Ala., and Woodfin Golf Club, on Lake Bowen, north of Spartanburg, S.C. Bergin has also been selected to design the total renovation of The Sportsman of Perdido, former home of the PGA Tour's Pensacola Open.

AURORA, Colo. - The city of Aurora has completed Murphy Creek Golf Course. Located east of Gun Club road, the Ken Kavanaugh-designed course was completed in September by RBI Golf of Littleton. A late-spring 2000 opening is expected.

Pine Valley Golf Club neighbor breaks ground

PINE HILL, N.J. - Golf course designer Tom Fazio, course developer Eric Bergstol, and local state and town officials have broken ground on a new 18-hole championship golf course here. Due to open in the fall of 2000, it will be situated on the highest elevation in southern New Jersey overlooking the Philadelphia skyline.

The high-end, daily-fee club will be constructed less than a mile from the celebrated Pine Valley Golf Club.

The financial backing for Pine Hill Golf Club came from Bergstol. Bergstol developed and assisted in the design of New Jersey National Golf club in Basking Ridge, Minisceongo Golf Club in Pomona, N.Y., Hudson National Golf Club in Cro-



Architect Tom Fazio describes the Pine Hill Golf Club layout. ton-on-Hudson, N.Y., and Pine Barrens

Golf Club in Jackson, N.J. "Our goal is to add to the growing list of premier golf destinations not only recognized within the state, but also nationally," said Bergstol.

"My goal is for Pine Hill to reflect the natural beauty of its setting," said Fazio. "This course will make optimum use of the existing property and will offer golfers of all skill levels a course that is fun, vet challenging."

Griffiths designs new 36 at St. Andrews

By PETER BLAIS

ST. ANDREWS, Scotland - Developers held a ground-breaking ceremony here Oct. 13 for a new 36-hole golf facility and 200room hotel located just two miles east of the most famous golf course in the world. Developer Don Panoz of Savannah, Ga.,

hired Denis Griffiths to design the two courses. Griffiths and Panoz have worked together on five courses, including Chateau Elan, a Griffiths' effort outside Atlanta.

"The town of St. Andrews is the backdrop for many of the holes," Griffiths said. "It's just a spectacular piece of property."

Routing plans have not been finalized, although Griffiths said he is working with Scottish golfer Sam Torrance on the first 18 holes and Australian Bruce Devlin on the second

The Georgia architect described the parcel as gently rolling farmland. "We won't have to do a lot of artificial earth Continued on page 4

