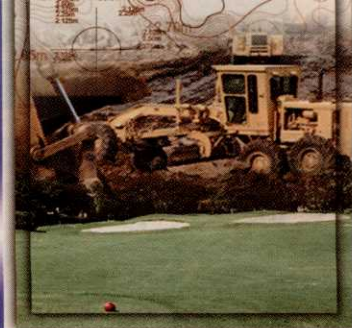


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PANKS COMPLETES ALIANTE DESIGN

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — Gary Panks Associates recently completed the design of Aliante Golf Course in North Las Vegas, Nev., which is a joint venture between Del Webb Corp. and American Nevada. The course, which will be managed by OB Sports, is currently under construction with a Dec. 2003 opening scheduled. The course will feature 54 bunkers and 14 bridges. Greens surfaces feature TifEagle bermudagrass and the fairways and roughs will be Tifway 419 bermuda.

METAIRIE CC RESTORING ITS RAYNOR DESIGN

METAIRIE, La. — Metairie Country Club is undergoing a restoration of its Seth Raynor-designed course, under the supervision of architect Ron Forse. The course had lost its character over the years, as its features softened. With no room for expansion, the members decided the best way to remain competitive in today's market was to restore the course to its 1920s luster, according to director of golf Greg Core. Construction began in January, and the course is expected to reopen in September. Raynor's original design included replicas of holes from famous courses of the day, including the Old Course at St. Andrews, National Golf Links and Shinnecock Hills.

FARMLINKS TO OPEN JUNE 3

SYLACAUGA, Ala. — FarmLinks at Pursell Farms, a combination golf facility and testing ground, will officially June 3 with a fundraiser for juvenile diabetes research. The Hurdzan-Fry designed facility will serve as a laboratory of sorts for Pursell Technologies Inc. and its supplier partners to test products and technologies. It also provides an opportunity for the suppliers to demonstrate their products — both current and prototypes — to visiting superintendents who are invited for a two-day seminar.

'Aggressive' construction starts at Sunday River

By DEREK RICE

BETHEL, Maine — While plans are in the works for an official groundbreaking here at Sunday River Golf Club, construction is moving forward aggressively, according to Susan Duplessis, corporate communications manager for Sunday River.

"The 18th tee box and fairway are shaped, and work has begun on the driving range," she said. "The area for the clubhouse is being cleared and other miscellaneous work has begun as well."

Site work is also ongoing for the ninth fairway. As for the official groundbreaking, Duplessis said Sunday River is working with Robert Trent Jones Jr. to schedule a date when he can get up to Maine to be the guest of honor for



Harris Golf has commenced construction at Sunday River Golf Club, which promises to offer views of the surrounding mountains.

a ceremony. At press time, they were shooting for the late-May to mid-June timeframe.

Boothbay Harbor-based Harris Golf, which owns and operates two other courses in Maine, is

handling construction of the course, which began within a

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Waynesborough CC changing its turf

Disease-resistant bentgrass to help club combat anthracnose

By JOE DEVANNEY

WAYNESBOROUGH, Pa. — Perhaps as much as any other area of the country, a strong sense of history permeates Philadelphia and its surrounding counties. Particularly in the "Main Line" western suburbs of the city, sites dating to the Revolutionary War and earlier are treasured and preserved.

One of these sites is Waynesborough, now a museum, but once the home of Revolutionary War hero "Mad" Anthony Wayne. Just a short distance from this historical house is the Waynesborough Country Club, whose land was once part of the Wayne estate. The club is now in the middle of renovations, which are both forward-looking and, appropriately for the area, firmly rooted in past tradition.

Waynesborough CC, which was founded in 1965, opened its first clubhouse in 1968. During the last 35 years, several expansions have occurred and membership has grown to 707 individuals and families, all of whom will be without a course for a while during planned renovations.

The course will close for a year on Aug. 1 so the fairways can be stripped and re-seeded as a disease-fighting measure, according to general manager Ray Kondziela.

"Our intent is to replace our present grass with a new and more disease-resistant grass. Specifically, we have had a problem with anthracnose, a disease that has affected many of the fairways in the northeast part of the country," Kondziela said. "We believe

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This summer, Waynesboro CC will replace turf on its fairways to help fight disease.

Inverness to showcase renovation

TOLEDO, Ohio — At the end of June, Inverness Club here will host the Senior U.S. Open, giving the golf world a chance to see the result of Arthur Hills' renovation work. Completed last summer,

Hills' designs called for improving most of the tee boxes, moving or repairing fairway bunkers, removing some trees and improving drainage.

Using old photographs in

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Among the renovation work by Arthur Hills were these new bunkers, located on the 18th hole at Inverness Club in Toledo.

Smyers giving Woods' home course a 'massive facelift'

WINDEMERE, Fla. — Architect Steve Smyers is undertaking the renovation of Isleworth Golf and Country Club here. If, for some reason, he should decide he needs a player's input on the project, he won't have far to look. Isleworth is the home course of Tiger Woods, Mark O'Meara, John Cook and a number of other PGA Tour players.

Smyers said he is taking "a whole fresh look" at the onetime citrus grove that became the cornerstone of a golf community in 1986.

Smyers said he is not intimidated by the proximity of so many PGA Tour players.

"Whenever and wherever we build, we design so whoever plays it will become a better player,"

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