

Doug Quiram -N- Kemper Lakes Golf Club

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Doug Quiram is Kemper Lakes G. C. for he started in 1976 when the course wasn't yet opened for play. Construction started in the fall of 1975, and the front nine was opened in 1978 and the back nine in 1979.

Kemper Lakes G.C.'s 18th hole is pictured on the front cover this month due to its hosting its second Ameritech Open May 30—June 1, 1997. The club has been the past home of the Illinois PGA from the early 1980s to 1993. In 1983, the PGA Championship was played here. It has had four PGA Grand Slam



events and the 1992 PGA National Amateur.

The course is tough; it plays 7,517 yards from the gold tees with par being 75.7! From the white tees, it is 6,265 yards and is a par 71.2. There are 60 acres of water that come into play on nine different holes.

The course was originally seeded to Penncross throughout the greens, tees and fairways. However, in 1986, the greens were resodded in Penncross. In the monsoons of the spring of 1996, the club installed a Toro Osmac system. New sprinklers and controllers were installed, but they left the main lines in since they were still adequate and in good shape.

Doug was an assistant to Carl Grassl at Park Ridge C.C. for two years before he came to Kemper Lakes G.C. He and Marjorie have been married for 24 years. ■

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