

Tom Jauch -N-



Tom and wife, Jeanette, enjoyed a Caribbean cruise to celebrate their 30th anniversary.



The Midwest's July golf meeting will be held at Foxford Hills Golf Club in Cary, where Tom Jauch, CGCS, is the hosting golf course superintendent.



A 427-yard par 4, no. 9, "Lupa da Loop," features some of the distinctive bunkering that characterizes Foxford Hills.

Tom graduated from Lake Forest College in 1971 with a B.S. degree in economics and then earned an A.S. degree in horticulture from the College of Lake County in 1975. He began his career in landscaping before becoming the golf course superintendent at Sportsman's Country Club in Northbrook in 1982. In 1988, Tom left Sportsman's to team with Tim Miles, who was then the president of GreenVisions Management Company, as the firm's construction superintendent to build Royal Fox Golf Club. He later served in numerous construction and maintenance capacities, earning certification with the GCSAA in 1991. In 1996, Tom took on a new role and new title as the vice president of construction when Crown Golf purchased GreenVisions. In that capacity, Tom built golf courses in eight different states before joining GolfVisions, a new company founded by the core staff of the former GreenVisions, in 1998.

First under the auspices of GreenVisions, then on behalf of Crown Golf and finally GolfVisions, Tom has overseen maintenance operations at Heather Ridge Golf Course in

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Gurnee since 1993. In fall 2001, Tom took on additional maintenance responsibility for Foxford Hills, initially coordinating the grow-in for the Tim Nugent-designed course.

And what a layout it is. Owned by Town & Country Homes and managed by GolfVisions, Foxford Hills opened for play in June 2002 and its 5,000-square-foot clubhouse opened in January 2003. The 6,988-yard layout plays to a par 72. The

course features 60 large bunkers, including a giant beach bunker on hole no. 12. Numerous mature trees are present on the back nine, where five of the course's seven ponds also come into play. Variety characterizes the course, as it features different styles of holes and putting green surfaces, interesting water features and rolling terrain. Tom's personal favorite hole is no. 11, known as "Slice of Heaven," because of its elevated tee box with a panoramic view

through a narrow opening of mature trees to an attractively bunkered fairway and green.

Reflecting on his career in golf, Tom says his greatest reward is having been involved with constructing and maintaining numerous golf courses and the positive experience he has had in the development of many young golf course construction and maintenance professionals. He cites his biggest challenge at Foxford Hills



(Photo by Jim Trzinski)

No. 16, "Babbling Brook," is a picturesque 347-yard par 4 adjacent to the McHenry County Nature Conservancy.

as exceeding the customer's expectations; helping him achieve this goal are assistant Ernie Johnson, mechanic Kerry Perriman and the entire staff, cited by Tom as doing a fantastic job to that end. Tom is very proud to be an employee of a management company and desires to combat the bad publicity often inappropriately attributed to them.

Fifty-four-year-old Tom presently resides in Mundelein with his wife, Jeanette, and two children: Tom Jr., 24, and Katie, 22. Tom's hobbies include golf, snow-skiing and flying. After years of frequent travel during the construction phase of his career, he is very happy to be back at home full time with his family and looks forward to becoming more involved with the MAGCS.

See you at Foxford Hills on July 8!



Tom, Jeanette, Tom Jr. and Katie at Katie's college graduation; Katie is the seventh Lake Forest College graduate in the Jauch clan.

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