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Florida Plows Ahead In 1980

The state of Florida, which for the last decade has been among the nation's leaders in the development of new golf facilities, is up to its tricks again in the first half of 1980.

The Sunshine State, blessed with year-round playing conditions and an estimated 36 million annual visitors, actually shows more development action in the first six months of 1980 than a similar period in 1979 — a year in which Florida led the nation in new openings.

A breakdown of this development for the period of January 1 through June 30 shows the following in new courses or in additions to existing facilities:

- Courses opened — 9-hole, 2; 18-hole, 8.
- Courses scheduled to open in 1980 — 9-hole, 3; 18-hole, 12.
- Courses that went under construction — 9-hole, 5; 18-hole, 7.
- Courses planning to go under construction — 9-hole, 2; 18-hole, 12.
- Courses that went into the planning stage — 9-hole, 2; 18-hole, 17.

— Larry Smith
(Reprint — N.G.F.)

FGCSA BOARD MEETING

The annual meeting of the Florida Golf Course Superintendents Association will be held at 7:00 p.m. Monday, October 20, 1980 at the Gainesville Hilton in Gainesville, Florida. Reports on the Association and presentation of new officers will take place in the Delta, Beta and Gamma room. All golf course superintendents are encouraged to attend.

The Slate of Officers for two-year terms are Bill Wagner, President, Tequesta Country Club, Kevin Downing, Vice President, Atlantic Golf Club, Inc. and Don Delaney, Sect.-Treasurer, Isle Del Sol Country Club.

On Sunday, October 19, 1980 at 9:30 p.m. the F.G.C.S.A. Board of Directors will meet at the Gainesville Hilton in the Epsilon room. All external Vice Presidents and Presidents should plan to attend this meeting.

Further information can be obtained by calling Tim Hiers, at 305-295-2213 or 305-259-7330



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