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Lake City Community College Tournament Committee, from left: Mitch Miller, Odell Spainhour, Roy Bates, Scott Hamm, Glenn Zakany, Celeste Langer, John Johnson and Mike Smith. These alumni and friends worked together to plan and host another great event. Attendance was a little off the normal, thanks to Hurricane Wilma's rampage across south Florida, but the Lake City CC Department of Golf Course Operations netted another huge donation from the tournament.

Symrna Beach. He also designed Walden Lake in Plant City and Big Cypress in Lakeland. He has been involved in 56 new designs and remodeling projects and, in addition, master-golf-community planning on 23 projects.

Pelican Preserve has generous greens with lots of movement to make the putts

challenging once you get there, but the variety of teeing locations means you can play your own game on this lovely course that roams about the wooded grounds of this over-55 golf community in Ft. Myers. If you want to take a look, take the Colonial exit off I-75 in Ft. Myers and go a couple of miles east. You can't miss it.



Rory Mudge, Grey Oaks GC (center) teamed with his pro Jim Jewell (not pictured) to win the LCCC Tournament A Flight. Congratulating Mudge are John Piersol, director of the LCCC Golf/Landscape Department (left) and Bill Gamble of Toro, the presenting sponsor of this year's event. Photo by Joel Jackson

Meanwhile par took a beating at the hands of the two-man scramble format with Rory Mudge and Jim Jewell from the Grey Oaks G.C. shooting a net 56 to win the event. The only chance my partner and I had was to win one of door prizes with the raffle tickets we bought. But the donations went for a good cause. Educating the next generation of golf course superintendents isn't a bad thing at all.

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go to the charities of the various events.

MacCurrach said, "It's great to be a part of the association's fund-raising tournaments that help such worthy causes, and to see the competitive spirit of the superintendents as they bid against their friends and peers. I look forward to continuing Bayer's support of these events with new and different assortments of our products in our 2006 portfolio."

Tournament host Dale Kuehner, CGCS had the winning bid of \$2,800 which netted Colony West a bargain buy on five 50-lb. bags of Chipco TopChoice; ten 50-lb. bags of Allectus GC; one case of Chipco® Signature; one case of Revolver, one case of ProStar; one case of Dylox and one case of Finale.

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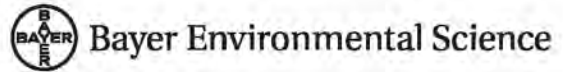
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15th Hole

Par 4, 385 yards

Hobe Sound Golf Club

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Hobe Sound Golf Club: **Florida History in the Making**

By Joel Jackson, CGCS

The Hobe Sound Golf Club is located on Florida's southeast coast midway between Stuart and Jupiter, just a quarter mile west of U.S. Highway 1 on Bridge Road. This neck of the woods along the east coast alternates between wetlands and sandy ridges flush with scrub oaks, sand pines, palmettos and slash

pinces, and the area is no stranger to me.

My dad was raised on the banks of the Loxahatchee River in Jupiter just a few miles south of Hobe Sound. Our family spent many summer and Christmas vacations visiting my grandparents and some of our side trips included the then-sleepy little town of Hobe Sound. When I was just a lad I, earned my Red Cross

Beginning Swimmer Card at the beachside pool at the eastern end of Bridge Road. Small world indeed, but I digress.

The history of Hobe Sound goes back much further than my youth... or my dad's. In fact the name Hobe Sound was derived from the Spanish word "Jobe" (pronounced Ho-BAY). Jobe (or Jove in English) was the supreme god in Roman



The par-five, 541-yard 16th hole is a dogleg around bunkers, woods and a lake. Photo by Daniel Zelazek.

mythology. The Spaniards exploring the area gave the name to the Jupiter Inlet and the Seminole Indians inhabiting the area. Because the area encompassed the ocean and the Intracoastal Waterway, the word Sound was added later.

At the start of the 19th century when Spain controlled what later became Florida, the Spanish Governor Juan Estrada made a land grant of 12,180 acres to Don Eusabio Gomez which included the present-day Hobe Sound and Jupiter Island. The Gomez name appears today on many land parcels and roads. His descendants were living in the area as late as 1844 where they managed plantations growing sugarcane, coconuts and some citrus.

Control of Florida passed from Spain to the U.S. in 1819. A census in 1825 of all South Florida recorded only 317 persons. The

Gomez grant was purchased by a group of English investors 1892 who planned on raising pineapples and citrus but a big freeze in 1895 put an end to that venture. About this time the Florida East Coast Railway was established by entrepreneur Henry Flagler which permitted travel from Jacksonville to Miami. The portion from Jupiter to Juno Beach was called the Celestial Railway.

Hobe Sound was always a place for big dreams. In 1924 the Olympia Corporation purchased the Gomez Grant from the Indian River Association with plans to develop Picture City, the Hollywood of the East Coast, which would have housed 20,000 people involved in the motion picture business. The town center was laid out and subdivided, streets and sidewalks constructed and concrete lampposts erected. Remnants of this period are still visible in the center of

Hobe Sound. In 1926 a hurricane struck and dashed those dreams and the land boom, which began in 1922, collapsed. The name Olympia was changed back to Hobe Sound in 1929.

Fast forward to 1985 when the Hobe Sound Golf Club was created and founded by Ellis (Ted) Chingos, his brother John, and Charles Andromidas. Ted Chingos was a civil engineer and real estate developer. His brother was a building contractor and construction manager. Andromidas was an attorney with extensive real estate holdings and business interests in Florida. All three were avid, talented golfers and, aided by the expertise and advice of associates Morris Back, Sam Wax and William Manikas, the dream of building an exclusive residential golf community came to fruition.

Ted Chingos had worked with architect Joe Lee on the Indian Spring Club project and the group knew of

his work at Pine Tree and the Boca Resort. The developers made three important requests of Lee in the design of the course:

- Retain the naturalness of the terrain and create a topflight course suitable for private membership.
- Have the 9th and 18th holes return to the clubhouse.
- Keep the housing contained in one area.

In his book, *Gentleman Joe Lee, 50 Years of Golf Design*, author Ron Whitten wrote: "When he first saw the property for the Hobe Sound Golf Club, Joe called it one of the most unique pieces of ground he had ever worked on. Required to include only a limited residential component, Joe had the freedom to create one of his most natural layouts at Hobe Sound. Two years after it opened, *Florida Golf Magazine* ranked the course 35th among Florida's Top 50 golf courses.

Lee's approach to course design was pretty straightforward. "I like to build a course that rewards the player who knows how to make all the shots." But he kept all players in mind. "I start with the premise that golf should be enjoyable, not a chore." The landscape was all important to him and he had great respect for native vegetation. "If you listen, the land will tell you what to do. The vegetation will direct you. It can take years, but once you see it, you'll understand, that's what design is all about." The beauty of the site should



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Course Facts



Hobe Sound Golf Course Maintenance Staff.

Hobe Sound Golf Course

Location: Hobe Sound

Ownership: Member owned

Playing policy: Private. Guests must play with a member or be approved by one.

Holes/USGA rating: 18 holes. Championship tees 6,664 yards.

Rating/Slope: 73.1/143

Designed by: Joe Lee. Opened for play: 1988

Management Team: Club President Richard Maloof; Green Chairman, Tony Benincasa; Club Manager Marc Lucas; Head Golf Professional Tom Yeager; Golf Course Superintendent Roy MacDonald

Major Renovations/Ongoing Projects: In 2001 we hired Sanford Golf Design to consult on a major course renovation plan which started in 2002 and included installing a new irrigation system and regrassing the greens and tees. Green, tee and bunker complexes were also rebuilt and new cart paths were constructed.

Total acreage: 120 acres

Greens: TifEagle (2003). Average size 6,000 sq ft.; HOC .140 to .110 in.; Green Speeds: winter 9.5 – 10.5; summer 9.0 – 10.0; Member-Guest/Special events 10.5 – 11.5.

Tees: Tifway 419. HOC .450 - .600 in.

Fairways: Tifway II. HOC.525 - .650 in.

Roughs: Tifway II. HOC: Slopes 1.00 – 1.25 in. Deep rough 2.0 – 2.5 in.

Bunkers: 67 with 37M sand type.

Machine raked five or six times per week in season with Toro Sand Pro.

Native/Waste areas: 21 acres. Plant palette: Slash pines, sand pines, palmetto, Florida bay trees, Sand/scrub oaks. Upland areas are maintained in native condition as much as possible.

Waterways: 9.7 acres of lakes and 10.5 acres of wetlands. Both areas are under maintenance contracts for aquatic weeds and non-native plant material.

Irrigation: Source – deep well. Flowtronex PSI variable-frequency-drive pump station. Rain Bird Cirrus control system. 725 heads with 60-foot spacing around greens, 80-foot spacing in fairways and roughs. No current watering restrictions.

Staff: Total including superintendent is 18,13 full time and 5 part time. Total weekly man hours, 700 (650 straight time and 50 overtime.) Key personnel and years of service: Assistant Superintendent Mike Francisco (16); Assistant superintendent Mike Kindrew (6); Equipment Manager Justin Barreau (3); Assistant Equipment Manager Bud Mauthner (6); Chemical Tech Jeff Heward (2); Project Foreman Miguel T. Antonio (8); Lead Greenkeeper Fernando Alonzo (10)

Communications: Daily crew assignment meeting; Monthly safety videos and testing for entire crew; Monthly meeting with assistants and equipment manager to review tournaments, projects and special functions; Monthly Green Committee meetings (November to April); Monthly meetings with GM, head pro and food & beverage manager.

Cultural Programs: Greens – Core aerify 4x year, Hydroject 4-6x year, groomers or verticut weekly during summer (every other week in season), top dress 2-3x week in season. Annual fertility: 10-12 lbs of N; 20 lbs of P; 30 lbs of K. Tees – Core aerify and verticut 3x year, Fertility: 8 lbs of N, 10 lbs of P and 14 lbs of K per year. Fairways – Core aerify 3x year, verticut and scalp 3x year. Fertility: 5-8 lbs of N/P/K per year.

Pest Control/IPM: Rotate Chipco Choice every two years on fairways, tees and slopes and greens slopes. Curfew on 6-7 fairways as needed. All other turf areas are monitored for pest thresholds.

Wildlife inventory: Bobcat, fox, deer, raccoon, squirrels, wild pigs, bald eagle, sandhill crane, ducks, hawks, songbirds, wading birds, snakes, alligators, turtles and fish.

Turf management challenges: Sandy soil profile requires critical irrigation and nutrient management to maintain healthy turf to recover from divots, ball marks and foot and cart traffic.

aid rather than detract, in creating strategy for the course.” The golf course and clubhouse were completed in 1988-89.

In 2002 the members and residents assumed total control of club operations and the homeowners association. At that time the club retained the services of Sanford Golf Design to update the golf course. The objective was to retain and restore the original Joe Lee design concepts but also to upgrade the irrigation system, install new grass on the greens and restore the bunker complexes complete with new sand.

Like the founders of the club, superintendent Roy MacDonald is an avid golfer himself having won the Martin County Amateur Tournament in 1987 and the Poa Annua Classic in 1988. His golfing skills include an appreciation for the concepts that Joe Lee espoused in his mantra that golf should be enjoyable and not a chore. Says McDonald, “Joe Lee’s bunkers



Key personnel and years of service, from left: Project Foreman Miguel T. Antonio (8); Assistant Superintendent Mike Francisco (16); Lead Greenkeeper Fernando Alonzo (10); Assistant Equipment Manager Bud Mauthner (6); Assistant Superintendent Mike Kindrew (6); Chemical Tech Jeff Heward (2); Equipment Manager Justin Barreau (3). Photo by Joel Jackson.

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Native uplands and wetlands are a key part of the course. View from the 18th tee. Photo by Daniel Zelazek.

were set up to guide your strategy as you play a hole. His bunkers were always there for a reason; not just a photograph.”

As Roy and I ride Hobe Sound, the course looks serene as it winds through the pines and palmetto uplands and skirts manmade lakes and native wetlands. There is evidence of Hurricane Wilma’s passage as a stump-grinding crew removes the remnants of trees that were victims of the storm’s winds. MacDonald said, “As we were hunkered down to ride out the storm, I had the portable radio on and heard a man from Belle Glade or Pahokee call in. He said, ‘Watch out. The backside of this hurricane is unbelievable!’” And so it was that Hobe Sound and points north of Stuart took their third major hit from a hurricane, counting Frances and Jeanne in 2004. But to the credit of

MacDonald and his staff, the course looked immaculate.

Only the locals would know what had changed on the course. There were plenty of changes made for the good of the course as the Sanford Design team worked with MacDonald in an aggressive program that started in 2002. That year a new variable-speed pump station, a Rain Bird Cirrus central control system and field satellites were installed. A new dual-head system was installed around the greens, giving MacDonald ultimate control of irrigating putting surfaces and greens slopes.

MacDonald has a combination electric/hydraulic control network with electricity running the face plates connected to an “irrigator manifold” which operates the hydraulic valves. New tubing was also installed in 2002.

With the irrigation system in

place, the greens were planted with TifEagle in 2003. All the tee and green slopes were replanted with Tifway 419. All bunker complexes were also rebuilt and the bunker slopes planted with 419. The entire practice facility was renovated, including new irrigation with hydraulic tubing and 125 new heads.

As if this weren’t enough for one year, MacDonald and company converted all asphalt cart paths to crushed rock surfaces. All exotic plant material was removed from the upland areas. They also moved 20 live oak trees some weighing as much as 10 tons. They excavated 20,000 yards of fill for the rebuilding of the tees and practice facility.

Last year, they enlarged the rear practice tee from 6,500 to 10,000 square feet, installed a new bulkhead at the 18th green, and added 3,000 lin-