



The 8th hole shows some of the beauty built into the Pebble Brook North Golf and Country Club course by architects Ron and Ken Kern in Noblesville, Ind. The

new course complements the previously existing 18-hole facility and is along the lines of the older classic courses.

Kernses finetuning courses in Midwest

With five courses under construction and two others in the grow-in stage, golf course architects Gary and Ron Kern of St. Louis, Mo., are fine-tuning contractors' finish work this summer.

Two new courses will be notable additions to the Indiana golf scene. Pebble Brook North in Noblesville, Ind., listed a July 15 opening. It will complement the existing 18-hole facility.

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player.

At Hanging Tree Golf Club in Westfield, heavy rains may have delayed opening until early 1990.

Developers say excellent terrain for golf was used to create a memorable course with several dramatic holes. For instance, the par five 6th offers an alternate landing area for the player electing to gamble and carry a menacing contoured valley and cross bunker for a long iron second shot to the green.

In addition to the courses growing in, Ron Kern is responsible for additions at Indiana

courses Wabash Valley Golf Club in Geneva, and Westwood Country Club in Newcastle, and construction of nine greens at city-owned Coffin Golf Club in Indianapolis.

In Missouri, Gary Kern has courses under construction at Jackson, Potosi and St. Louis.

Bent Creek Golf Club at Jackson, part of a real-estate development, exploits a myriad of natural features.

Extensive remodeling was due in July at Westborough Country Club St. Louis, and Kicking Bird Golf Club in Edmond, Okla.

NEW COURSES

Highland Springs a vision realized

Highland Springs Country Club, an 18-hole private course, designed by Robert Trent Jones Jr. and featuring lakes and rock outcroppings, is opening in mid-September in Springfield, Mo.

Built by Greenscape, Ltd. of Menlo Park, Calif., Highland Springs is the dreamchild of developer John Q. Hammons, who says that 20 years ago he inspected the site "and envisioned Missouri's premier golf course."

The course covers 6,990 yards. Rock outcroppings highlight the

rolling terrain on a few holes, and four lakes come into play on seven holes.

Superintendent Kenneth L. Smith reports that the fairways and tees were sodded with zoysiagrass while the roughs are a mixture of turf-type tall fescue and Kentucky bluegrass.

Built in the midst of a 500-acre real-estate development, it is the first of many courses Hammons plans to build in Kansas City, Oregon, New Mexico, California and North Carolina.

Major expectations for Nicklaus courses

Jack Nicklaus will design the first PGA Tour Tournament Players Club golf course in Hawaii.

The course, Nicklaus' first project on the Big Island, will be built as part of an 11,000-acre resort residential complex overlooking the North Kona-Kohala shore.

A traditional Hawaiian ground blessing ceremony in May heralded the Four Seasons Resort's \$160-million, 300-acre first phase, which is scheduled to be completed in the fall of 1991.

Meanwhile, Nicklaus is using lakes, streams and rolling terrain to create a Scottish-flavored course in Jackson Township, Ohio.

Glenmoor Country Club's 18-hole championship course, for

which ground was broken in August, will be the centerpiece of a \$100-million residential development called The Estates of Glenmoor.

The Wolstein Group of Cleveland is developing the project, and the course is expected to open by the summer of 1991.

Bert L. Wolstein said, "At The Estates of Glenmoor, we are offering more than homes. Glenmoor living will be an entirely new lifestyle concept for Northeastern Ohio.

"Plus, we are very fortunate to have Jack Nicklaus designing a signature golf course for us — his first in this part of the state," he added.

Matthews crews busy throughout Michigan

Jerry Matthews, Matthews & Associates, P.C., will be designing four new golf layouts in Michigan over the next year with target dates for completion of next spring and this fall.

Bird Creek Golf Club will be a 6,670-yard, 18-hole layout in Port Austin, Mich. The daily fee course should be completed by next June.

Walloon Lake (Mich.) Country Club will add nine holes to their

existing nine for a total of 6,709 yards.

The private course should be ready for play by next spring.

Cracklewood Golf Course will be an 18-hole, daily fee facility in Mt. Clemens scheduled to be completed this year and Sycamore Golf Club, also located in Mt. Clemens, will be a 27-hole, daily fee facility scheduled to open in spring 1990.

Nugent Illinois course fashioned in forest

The Ivanhoe Club, a 7,155-yard private golf club will open in 1990 in Freemont Township, Lake County, Ill.

The Dick Nugent-designed course will be constructed by Wadsworth Golf Construction Co. of Plainfield, Ill., and owned and operated by the Thorngate Country Club, Inc.

There is a gently rolling topography to the land with some mature hardwood forests and about 20 acres of lakes and streams that the course will be carved into. Exclusive single- and multi-family homes will be centrally located in the development.

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community
up to par?

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Our research shows the demand for golf in the U.S. is such that some 4,500 new courses will be needed by the Year 2000.

This averages out to 375 per year... one new golf course each and every day for the next 12 years! Unfortunately, the current rate is closer to 125 per year.



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