



Edmund B. Ault

ASGCA Fellow Ault dies at age 81

One of the country's leading golf course architects, Edmund B. Ault, died Aug. 13 at the age of 81 at Holy Cross Hospital in Silver Spring, Md., following a heart attack.

One of the pioneers in designing economical municipal and public golf courses, Ault was president of Ault, Clark & Associates, Ltd., headquartered in Wheaton, Md.

He was elected a member of the American Society of Golf Course Architects in 1973 and a Fellow in 1984.

Among his designs are the Country Club of Las Vegas, Palmetto at Myrtlewood Golf Course in Myrtle Beach, S.C., Carrollwood Village in Tampa, Fla., Tournament Players Club at Avenel in Potomac, Md., and Toftrees Golf Course in State College, Pa.

A native of Washington, D.C., Ault received a degree in construction engineering from Columbia Technical Institute in Arlington, Va.

Survivors includes his wife and 55 years, Elsa, of Wheaton; two daughters, Bette Bowman and Barbara Ault; two sons, Barry and Brian; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

American Golf buys two N.J. courses

American Golf Corp. of Santa Monica, Calif., has acquired two more golf courses, increasing the number of private and public courses it owns or leases to 116 nationwide.

American Golf bought the par 71 18-hole Rancocas Country Club in Willingboro, N.J., and the par 72 18-hole Brigantine (N.J.) County Club—both of which will be open to the public.

The company plans to do much renovation to the facilities and course at Rancocas, which was designed by Robert Trent Jones Sr.

The Brigantine course will be renamed Brigantine Golf Links as it is a links-style course.

American Golf plans to build a clubhouse there, complete with a pro shop and food and beverage facilities.

LETTERS

Better paper stock suggested

To the Publisher:

After reviewing your July issue, I wanted to provide some input on our perceptions of your publication. Sandi Gridley and I discussed it today and our initial conclusions are very similar.

First of all, we were both impressed with your mowing chart in the July issue. In addition, your

editorial and overall look appears to be professional and valuable for the industry.

The only item we would put on our "wish list" is better reproduction quality for your four-color photos. This may be due to the paper stock you're using; I don't know if you have plans for a change in the future.

We appreciated your request for input in the cover letter with the issue. We believe it is important to be sensitive to both the market and the advertisers; this is something at which you appear to be excelling.

Sincerely,
Debra Alward
Vice President
Miller Friendt Ludemann
Lincoln, Neb.

Editor's note: Thank you for your suggestion. Starting with our August issue we have changed our stock and taken other steps to improve reproduction. How do you like the look?

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