

Chamber asks halt in final design, cites 'runaway costs'

CARLSBAD, Calif. — Charging "runaway costs," directors of the Carlsbad Chamber of Commerce have asked the City Council that final design and engineering work on the city golf course at Lake Calavera be halted.

Commerce officials say the final design of the course should not be

done until state and federal wildlife agents have reviewed it.

John Cahill, municipal projects manager, said the course design must be in its final form for the California Department of Fish and Game and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to review it.

To help finance the project, voters

in 1989 approved a measure boosting the city's hotel room tax from eight to 10 percent. The room tax boost is expected to raise about \$1 million this fiscal year, which ends June 30. With city funding, green fees for Carlsbad residents would be lower than private golf courses.

The course is expected to cost

between \$13 million and \$17 million, said Frank Mannen, assistant city manager.

Chamber spokeswoman Elaine Lyttleton said "the cost of the project is out of control." Green fees previously estimated at \$10 a round are, she said, up to about \$14, and would not cover operating costs.

Dearborn invites Golf Course Builders members for bids on renovations

DEARBORN, Mich. — Golf Course Builders of America members have been invited to bid on

expansion and renovation of Dearborn Hills Golf Course.

Site work, new clubhouse con-

struction and support facilities are expected to cost \$1 million to \$1.5 million.

Inquiries should be addressed to the City of Dearborn Recreation Dept., 15801 Michigan Ave.

Royal & Ancient official chosen for U.S. architects' Ross Award

Michael F. Bonallack, OBE, secretary of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews since 1983 and one of Britain's all-time amateur golf champions, will receive the Donald Ross Award for 1991 from the American Society of Golf Course Architects.



Michael Bonallack

The Ross Award is given annually to an individual who has acknowledged the importance of golf architecture to the game, and encouraged others to recognize great design.

ASGCA President Dan Maples said Bonallack has "consistently focused on the importance of good golf course design to the enjoyment of the game by its millions of players around the world, as well as to the success of its major tournaments."

The society will present the award to Bonallack April 23 in Britain at a special Donald Ross Banquet at Broughton Park Hotel in Broughton, England, during the organization's annual meeting. Every five years the society visits the British Isles to inspect some of the great traditional courses that continue to influence golf course architecture around the world.

Bonallack won the British Amateur Championship five times — 1961, 1965, 1968, 1969 and 1970. No one else has ever won it three years in a row. He was English Amateur champion in 1962-63, 1965-67 and 1968.

Bonallack played on the Walker Cup team in every match from 1959 to 1973 and captained the team in 1969 and 1971. He also was a member of every British World Amateur team from 1960-72, and served as captain three times.

Bonallack received the Bobby Jones Award for distinguished sportsmanship in golf in 1972.

Chairman of the Golf Foundation from 1977 to 1983, he also served as chairman of the Professional Golfers' Association Board of Management from 1976 to 1982, and president of the English Golf Union in 1982.

Developers in wings for Fort Myers course

FORT MYERS, Fla. — The Community Redevelopment Agency has approved the \$2.09-million purchase of a 100-acre parcel of land for the planned Westwood golf course community.

The land was acquired from the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. from a failed savings and loan.

Four developers are vying for the project.

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Falcon	5.0		
Hounddog	5.0		
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Jaguar	4.9		
Bonanza	4.8		
Olympic	4.8		
Maverick	4.7		
Willamette	4.6		
Rebel	4.5		
Clemfine	4.4		
Brookston	4.4		
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Arid	7.7	Chesapeake	5.7
Olympic	7.7	Tempo	5.3
Apache	7.3	Hounddog	5.0
Jaguar	7.3	Pacer	5.0
Finelawn I	6.3	Johnstone	5.0
Mustang	6.3	Kenhy	5.0
Rebel	6.3	Maverick	5.0
Bonanza	6.0	Brookston	4.3
KY-31	6.0	Clemfine	4.3
Adventure	5.7	Trident	3.7
Falcon	5.7	Willamette	3.3
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Rebel	6.0		
Pacer	5.9		
Maverick	5.8		
Falcon	5.8		
Clemfine	5.7		
Apache	5.6		
Tempo	5.6		
Olympic	5.6		
Hounddog	5.6		
Chesapeake	5.5		
Finelawn 5GL	5.5		
KY-31	5.5		
Mustang	5.5		
Bonanza	5.5		
Trident	5.5		
Johnstone	5.5		
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