

## Golf Asia '92 increases booking

Organizers of Golf Asia '92 claim that exhibition space is 75 percent booked for the event being held March 26-29, 1991 in Singapore.

Last year's exposition drew more than 30,000 visitors with Golf Asia '92 expected to draw 45,000 attendees both trade and golfing public.

"With the Asian need for education comes an overwhelming necessity for golf infrastructure, be it equipment, bags and clubs, fairway mowers, irrigation equipment, etc.," said Stephen S. Allen, vice-president of Connex Private Limited, organiz-

ers of the event. "Asians haven't seen state of the art irrigation systems, for instance, and need to be exposed to this level of equipment. The volume of equipment at our show has never been assembled before in Asia.

"Our attendance last year of 30,000 visitors at a first time show illustrates the hunger this market has for golf products and services," said Allen.

The exposition is only part of the event. In addition, an international conference, expected to draw ap-

proximately 450 trade visitors, is planned along with two golf tournaments.

The Golf Asia International Open is open to professionals and amateurs. The Golf Asia Junior Championships is open to golfers under 21 years old. Invitations will be extended to all golf clubs in the Pacific region.

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## Sanford, Green combine in Mich.

HOUGHTON, Mich. — Sanford & Associates, in conjunction with Ken Green, has completed the design of an 18-hole course for The Quest at Houghton Lake, which broke ground here in October.

Developer Tom Weideman is former golf director at Shanty Creek Resort.

The par-72 design, which measures 6,868 yards, features four or five tees on each hole.

Sanford & Associates is also responsible for land planning for the project which takes advantage of picturesque views of Houghton Lake,

Michigan's largest inland lake.

Project architect John Sanford said: "The developer wanted a challenging yet fair course for his players. In addition, it was important to gear toward a reasonable maintenance budget.

"We were designing with specific financial considerations in mind, yet were allowed the freedom necessary to incorporate some rather memorable features throughout the course.

"As a result, I think we may very well end up with one of the best layouts in Michigan."

## Wabash Valley opens Kernses' latest design

GENEVA, Ind. — Wabash Valley Golf Club has opened its 18-hole golf course for play.

The course was expanded from nine to 18 holes by constructing 10 new holes. The old 7th hole was abandoned and is used as a practice area. Six of the new holes play along The Limberlost Swamp. A 3.5-acre lake and 4.5 acres of wetlands were constructed as a part of the project.

Architects Ron and Gary Kern designed the course to take full advantage of the natural features of the site.

Ron Kern said: "We routed the course as the land dictated. We moved as little dirt as possible. Within the topographic features of the site, the strategy of the golf holes evolved.

"We designed a course that is enjoyed daily by its members. It challenges yet does not overpower them. However, from the back tees it will extract the best players' shotmaking abilities.

"The course definitely has a classic appearance. We have always believed in the classic elements and architectural features of golf course design."

The contractor, Eichmiller Golf of Cannelburg, Ind., overcame an extremely rainy summer and fall to construct the course.

Course superintendent Max Augsburg grew in the course. Even though seeding was not completed until October 1990, he was able to have the course ready for the grand opening on June 28.

The member-owned Wabash Valley Golf Club is now planning to renovate the remaining existing eight holes and plans to build a new clubhouse in the near future.

## Pinewild CC's new clubhouse under construction

PINEHURST, N.C. — With a traditional ground-breaking ceremony on Sept. 20, construction began on Pinewild Country Club's permanent clubhouse. Actual construction began in October. Completion is targeted for late next spring.

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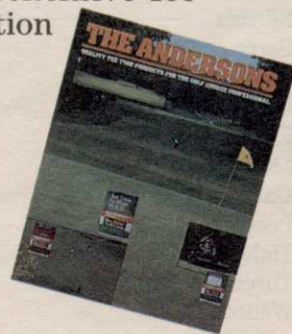
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