

'Senior Golf' exhibit on view at USGA's Golf House until May 5

FAR HILLS, N.J. — A new exhibit, "Senior Golf: Collecting New Memories," is on display through May 5 at Golf House, the museum and library of the United States Golf Association.

The display is divided into three parts — "All-Stars," "Future Prospects" and "Legends."

"All-Stars" highlights memorabilia on loan to the USGA from Arnold Palmer, Jack Nicklaus, Gary Player, Chi Chi Rodriguez and Lee Trevino.

The display includes many trophies and medals won by Nicklaus, among them those from his four U.S. Open, three British Open, six Masters, five PGA Championships, and two U.S. Amateur Championships. The trophy and medal Palmer won at the 1960 U.S. Open, along with a driver he used in that championship, are also featured. Visitors will also be able to watch "Reunion at Ridgewood," a videotape of the 1990 U.S. Senior Open Championship.

The "Future Prospects" section displays items from those men who will soon be eligible as senior players, such as Tom Weiskopf, Raymond Floyd, Isao Aoki and Hale Irwin.

The "Legends" section contains the story of the beginnings of the Senior Tour. It includes memorabilia of Jimmy Demaret, Sam

Sneed and Gene Sarazen. The Demaret items are on loan from Onion Creek Club, in Austin, Texas, the home of the Demaret exhibit.

The exhibit features the use of enlarged baseball-card type displays and the museum's collection of cigarette cards. Some of the cigarette cards are more than 100 years old. Used to stiffen cigarette packs, they featured illustrations of royalty, actors and athletes.

Located on the grounds of the USGA, Golf House is open weekdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and weekends from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. It is located near Far Hills, N.J., near the intersection of Interstate Routes 78 and 287.

Area degraded by cattle said prime site for California course

Cattle are being branded as culprits by a Santa Clarita Valley, Calif., land developer in beefing up arguments for a huge golf course and housing project in a sensitive wildlife habitat.

Newhall Land & Farming Co. said its cattle operations already have degraded the area, a 798-acre site west of the Golden State Freeway that includes 300 acres of a county-designated Significant Ecological Area (SEA) lying between Valencia Boulevard and McBean Parkway.

Newhall Land's plan calls for building 350 houses and part of the golf course in the SEA,

while saving most oak trees.

Newhall Land officials say "a variety of factors ... in addition to our company's cattle operation" have contributed to the SEA's decline — including the Golden State Freeway and other development in the area.

An SEA technical advisory committee member said damage from over-grazing is no reason to allow overdevelopment to destroy the habitat altogether. Frank Hovore said oak savannas are highly resilient and quickly recover in habitat value when overgrazing stops.

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Delaware County getting two \$10M private facilities

Two \$10 million private golf clubs will swing into operation next spring in southern Delaware County.

The Lakes Club north of Westerville is being played now, but won't be ready officially until March or April, according to head professional Steve Groves.

Wedgewood Golf and Country Club, also 18 holes, will open May 31, said Tom Cassady, a partner in Day Brothers Development Co. Wedgewood is near Powell.

Ed Sneed designed The Lakes, Robert Trent Jones Jr. Wedgewood.

The Lakes Club will become the permanent host of the Bobby Rahal Columbus Charities Pro-Am when it moves there for its third staging Sept. 16.

Wisconsin board approves project

MARION, Wis. — A golf course development here has been approved by the Waushara County Zoning and Planning Committee.

Jerry Caswell of Wautoma plans to develop a nine-hole golf course, pro shop with a clubhouse and lounge, and a 30-unit condominium complex.

The course is expected to be finished by spring 1992, with the clubhouse to be completed the following fall.

Bankruptcy Court grants Eastern Air OK

PUERTO RICO — Eastern Airlines has received approval from U.S. Bankruptcy Court to launch a luxury golf course development here.

The joint venture with a Hyatt Hotels affiliate involves a 400-acre property on the north shore of Puerto Rico west of San Juan.