

## Indy Speedway course faces overhaul

INDIANAPOLIS — Speedway Golf Course hardly matches in stature adjoining and encompassing Indianapolis Motor Speedway, but the storied brick yard soon may have major green company.

Indy president Tony George, grandson of the late race car driving whiz Tony Hulman, plans to transform the course into an 18-hole championship facility. Completion target is July, 1993.

The course would be built on the south side of West 16th St., across from the Speedway where a strip

shopping center now is. A modern hotel is in the master plan, but George hopes to preserve some of the history of the existing hotel.

He plans a driving range and huge putting green, along with a teaching center.

Course superintendent Jeff Stewart has been lured from the Country Club of Indianapolis, and architect Pete Dye has been commissioned to "build a facility that will be really special."

Dye plans numerous spectator mounds, similar to those he built

into Crooked Stick Golf Club, Carmel, site of the PGA championship last August.

The golf maintenance building outside the backstretch will be expanded, and may be built into a mound so as to be part underground. That, said George, would provide a better view for spectators.

The course will comprise four holes inside the track, 14 outside. Currently, nine holes are inside, 18 outside.

The Speedway formerly was home to the 500 Festival Open, a regular stop on the PGA tour.

## Toxic dump owner wants course built on waste site

PASO ROBLES, Calif. — Casmalia Resources, no; Paso Robles golf course, yes.

Owner Kenneth Hunter Jr. of Montecito is silent on his troubled toxic waste dump, but eloquent in explaining plans for a \$3 million, 204-acre 18-hole luxury golf course outside Paso Robles.

Convincing, he won approval from San Luis Obispo County supervisors to build the course. He said he had the money in hand to develop the course.

EPA officials say the cost of cleaning up Casmalia Resources could be as high as \$20 million. Hunter said the firms he is a part of — Hunter Resources Inc. and Casmalia Resources Ltd. — are nearly broke and can not complete a required cleanup of the closed dump.

Federal EPA lawyers and county attorneys are trying to seize the Paso Robles land and sell it, along with Hunter's other assets, to pay for the cleanup.

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## Pebble Beach resident pushing eminent domain

MONTEREY, Calif. — Pebble Beach resident James Boccardo is working with state lawmakers on a bill that would transform Pebble Beach Golf Links into a state park — and feature golf fees under \$200 a round.

The San Jose attorney will ask California Parks and Recreation to acquire the property through negotiations or eminent domain proceedings.

Boccardo is suing Pebble Beach Co. to prevent its plan to sell memberships starting at \$150,000 into a proposed Pebble Beach National Club.

## Vegas council supports delay

LAS VEGAS, Nev. — Developer Jack Sommer's decision to postpone for a year his request for zoning in connection with plans for a resort hotel, golf course and 1,800 homes in an area outside the city's gaming district brought favorable response from the Las Vegas City Council.

Sommer's project near Floyd Lamb State Park was approved unanimously.

Sommer originally had requested approval of zoning for a 20,000 square feet casino as part of the hotel, but neighbor opposition prompted retreat. The development will be known as Mountain Spa.

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