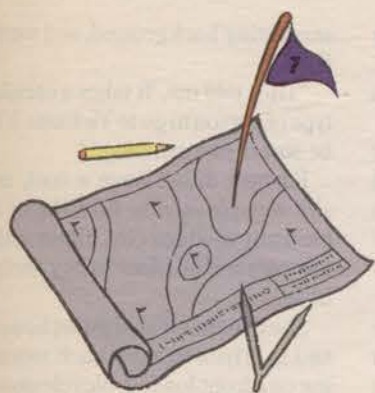


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## GRAVES PROMOTES TWO

WALNUT CREEK, Calif. — Robert Muir Graves, Ltd. has promoted Dan Bucko and Neal Meagher to associate golf course architects. Graves said the promotions reflect an appreciation of the comprehensive services the two provide RMG clients.

## YOUNG'S MAPLE RIDGE TAKES SHAPE

COLUMBUS, Ga. — Maple Ridge Golf Club, a 6500-yard, par-72 course designed by Mike Young of Watkinsville, Ga., is expected to open in the fall. The 18-hole layout on a wooded property of rolling terrain will be an upscale daily-fee course. It is being built in conjunction with the Maple Ridge Residential Community, a recreational development that will include nearly 500 single-family homes, a clubhouse, pool, tennis courts and walking paths.

## JOHNSON IN NAME CHANGE

AVON, Colo. — Golf Design Associates has changed its name to Andy Johnson Design. Johnson has 20 years experience in golf course development. His latest project is an 18-hole private club in Winter Park.



Andy Johnson

## RIVERSIDE REMODELING

FRESNO, Calif. — The municipal Riverside Golf Course is starting a three-year program to remodel all 18 greens, enlarge tees and add and renovate bunkers. EBITGolf, a subsidiary of CourseCo., has undertaken the renovation after taking over management of the facility. Golf course architect Andy Raugust, in charge of the design update, said the course was built in 1939 and plays 80,000 to 95,000 rounds a year.

## BLUE T DEVELOPED MUNI

CHILLICOTHE, Mo. — Blue T Golf of Omaha, Neb., coordinated the financing and development of the new municipal golf course for the city of Chillicothe. Blue T President Bill Tate clarified a story that appeared in the April issue, saying the facility, which opened May 1, was only designed by Fairway Development Group.

## Jackie Nicklaus: Making his own mark

By HAL PHILLIPS

With an eye toward establishing his own name in the region, Jack Nicklaus II has signed his first two design deals in Asia-Pacific.

The first project, an 18-hole golf course community in Surabaya, Indonesia, was finalized at Golf Asia '93 in March. Located 10 minutes from downtown Surabaya, Bukit Darma Golf Club will feature 1,000 homesites and a Jack Nicklaus Golf Academy. The younger Nicklaus has also signed on as lead architect of an Indian project in Bangalore.

"I'm trying to establish myself as a quality designer," said Jack II, who has completed three courses in the United States and England. A fourth will open this summer in Ohio, USA.

"I think I have the creativity and knowledge to be a good architect, a top-notch architect. And it gives me unbelievable satisfaction to create something great from something not-so terrific — to see an end-product when nothing was there before."

Nicklaus knows the region fairly well,



Jack Nicklaus II

having played on the Asian Tour. Yet, even thousands of miles from his Florida home, Jack II faced the inevitable

comparisons to his father's playing ability.

The design game is no different. Jack II and his father both toil under the Nicklaus Design banner, and while Jack Sr. has been pretty busy in the region (he has three projects underway, to go along with his recently completed Bumi Serpong course in Jakarta), Jack II sees Asia-Pacific as a place to make famous his own style of architecture.

"I think I have the ability to be my own person in the design field, more so than on the playing side," he explained. "You have to establish relationships with this business. It's a long-term deal. It's not a week, like some tournament. Or two-and-a-half years, like some project. It's a long-term commitment that goes on after the course is finished."

"In that sense I feel I can establish myself as my own person, through my own actions."

The Bukit Darma project is ambitious. In addition to the 18 holes, an aquatic range is planned and a short, three-hole course will ring the range facility.

Though Nicklaus paid his first visit to

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## Golf in the Far East

## Vietnam — yes, Vietnam — joins blitz

By HAL PHILLIPS

No longer an insular backwater content to watch its neighbors soak up the foreign capital, Vietnam has leapt into the golf development arena with both feet.

While investors are looking at numerous projects all over the country, two projects — one outside Hanoi, the other near Ho Chi Minh City — illustrate the opportunity in Vietnam and the willingness of its government to embrace free market notions. Indeed, both golf resorts are being developed in concert with the state-run tourism department.

"It's a one-party system that wants to establish a free market economy," said Rose Earhart, marketing director for King's Island Golf Club and Resort outside Hanoi. "The government has been very cooperative. This is a country that sees the opportunity."

"We've even had the army assist in building the course — driving bulldozers, for example. They're good workers, very disciplined."

King's Island, situated on Dong Mo Reservoir 45 km west of Hanoi in the Ha Tay Province, will eventually feature two 18-hole courses — designed by American architect Bob McFarland — a golf school, sports center, boating facilities, 80-room



The sun sets beautifully on Vietnam, including the 9th hole, left, at King's Island near Hanoi is nestled in the forest.

guest lodge and 50 corporate villas for long-term rental. Ground was broken on the first 18 holes in February. The first nine should open before the close of 1993, said Earhart.

King's Island Corp. Ltd. of Bangkok is the developer, in cooperation with the Ha Tay Province Tourism Dept. Earhart said it will cost individuals US\$5,000 to join the club, US\$15,000 for total resort privileges. However, King's Island is designed to be a

true destination resort that also caters to non-Vietnamese doing business locally.

"If you want to get anything done in Vietnam, you have to come to Hanoi. And the common lament is, 'There's nothing to do here,'" Earhart explained. "There's a Korean businessman in the city who's waiting for his permits to come through. I've seen him hitting golf balls off the dike into the Red River."

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## Sun rises on two Casper, Nash additions out West

Two golf courses designed by Casper/Nash architects have opened at Del Webb's Sun City communities in Palm Springs, Calif., and Las Vegas, Nev.

The course in Palm Springs is designed around the new Sun City retirement community there. "It's a beautiful desert golf course," said Greg Nash. "The layout features sand dunes, 14 lakes, palm trees, ornamental flowers, water falls, and large greens."

"We've planted over 1,000 new palm trees, and have about 1,500 other trees on the course

— 800 of those are mature date palms, and about 200 surround the 18th green."

The course in Las Vegas is on the northwest hillside, said Nash. "It's built on the highest point overlooking the city. So we took advantage of the terrain. Most holes play uphill or downhill, with elevated tees and greens. We planted a lot of pine trees, so it doesn't look like a desert course. The greens are large, the pin placements varied, and the terrain rises and drops 500 feet. The last five holes are all downhill, and the view is spectacular."

The Las Vegas course is 6,330 yards long and plays par 72.

"Billy Casper and I represent a unique design team," says Nash. "I'm the artist and technician. Billy looks at a course from a player's standpoint."

"He knows how to make a course fun to play for senior players. He is very particular about the greens. For example, some of the greens on these new courses are 10,000 square feet, large and contoured, with various pin placements, making putting interesting every time you play the course."

# Golf courses newly approved in the U.S.

Location	Course Name	Type	Holes	Class	Work	Contact	Location	Course Name	Type	Holes	Class	Work	Contact
<b>Alabama</b>							<b>Missouri</b>						
Birmingham	Spain Park	D	18	R	N	Park & Rec Dept.	Chillicothe	Green Hills GC	M	18	R	N	Steve Hardesty
<b>California</b>							<b>Nebraska</b>						
Alameda	Chuck Corica Complex	M	18	R	R	City Golf Mgr.	Kearney	Meadowlark Hills GC	M	18	R	N	City Mgr. Gary Greer
Brentwood	N/A	D	18	R	N	A.G. Spanos Co.	Mullen	Sandhills	D	18	R	N	Bill Coore
Camarillo	Spanish Hills Golf & CC	P	18	R	N	Robert Cupp	North Platte	N/A	M	18	R	N	Dave Munkbolv
Fresno	Riverside GC	D	18	R	R	Andy Raugust	<b>Nevada</b>						
Palm Springs	Palm Springs GC	M	18	R	N	David Schey	Las Vegas	Lake Las Vegas	D	18	R	N	Jack Nicklaus
Roseville	N/A	M	18	R	N	Robert Muir Graves	<b>New Jersey</b>						
Ventura	N/A	P	18	R	N/A	Farmont Corp.	Tinton Falls	N/A	D	9	R	N	Ed Bednarski
<b>Colorado</b>							<b>North Carolina</b>						
Carbondale	Aspen Glen Club	P	18	R	N	Jay Morrish	Clayton	Glen Laurel GC	N/A	18	R	N	John LaFoy
Denver	Kennedy GC	M	9	R	A	Dennis Wong	Durham	Duke Univ. GC	D	18	R	R	Rees Jones
<b>Connecticut</b>							<b>Ohio</b>						
Norwich	Norwich GC	D	N/A	R	R	John Paesani	Circleville	Cook's Creek GC	N/A	18	R	N	John Cook
<b>Florida</b>							Lagrange	Indian Hollow GC	D	9	A	N	N/A
Bradenton	Rosedale Golf & CC	N/A	18	R	N	Ted McAnlis	<b>Oklahoma</b>						
Charlotte	Riverwood GC	D	9	R	A	Tony D'Errico	Quartz Mountain	Quartz Mtn. State Park	D	9	R	A	Paul Chapman
Melbourne	Baytree National	P	18	R	N	Gary Player	<b>Pennsylvania</b>						
Naples	Kensington Golf & CC	P	18	R	N	Robert Trent Jones II	Connellsville	N/A	D	18	R	N	Ferdinand Garbin
New Port Richey	Fox Hollow	D	18	R	N	Robert Trent Jones	Ohio Twp.	Diamond Run	N/A	18	R	N	Gary Player
Ocala	CC of Ocala	P	18	R	N	Steve Newgent	<b>South Carolina</b>						
Stuart	The Champions Club at Summerfield	N/A	18	R	N	Tom Fazio	Conway	Conway CC	D	9	R	R	Bobby McCord
<b>Georgia</b>							Myrtle Beach	Myrtlewood GC	D	18	R	R	Doug Hart
Gwinnett	The Champions Club at Gwinnett	N/A	18	R	N	Steve Melnyk	Spring Island	Old Tabby Golf Links	D	18	R	N	Arnold Palmer
North Augusta	Augusta Riverfront GC	P	18	R	N	Raymond Floyd	<b>Texas</b>						
Rome	N/A	M	18	R	N	Arthur Davis	Denton	Lone Star Par 3 GC	D	18	P	N	O.B. Nelson
<b>Illinois</b>							Denton	Radisson Hotel	D	18	R	R	Jeff Costner
Alsip	Alsip Park Dist. GC	M	9	R	N	Bob Lohmann	Houston	Cinco Ranch	N/A	18	R	N	Louis Evans
La Salle	Oak Ridge GC	N/A	18	R	N	James Giordano III	San Antonio	The Quarry	D	18	R	N	Keith Foster
<b>Indiana</b>							<b>Washington</b>						
Elkhart	Rolling Meadows GC	N/A	18	R	N	Tim Richardson	Mount Vernon	Sea-Van	N/A	27	R	N	Dave Margeson
<b>Michigan</b>							Point Roberts	Point Roberts GC	P	18	R	N	Ted Robinson
Montague	Old Channel Trail GC	D	9	R	A	Jerry Matthews	<b>Wisconsin</b>						
Northport	N/A	D	18	R	N	Mike Conner	Egg Harbor	Horseshoe Bay CC	N/A	18	R	N	Frank Cowles
							Fond du Lac	Rolling Meadows GC	M	18	R	N	Dick Nugent
							Fond du Lac	Whispering Springs GC	D	18	R	A	Bob Lohmann

## Jack Nicklaus II makes mark

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the site in late March, he hopes to break ground by May, with a completion date of July 1994.

The rolling terrain, owned by developer Win Gobel, was purchased from the Indo-

nesian Army, which had used the site as a shooting range. "No artillery," Nicklaus noted with a sigh of relief.

Surabaya's 4 million population is good for prospective home sales but not-so good for land prices.

"The land is so expensive, we had to create as many home sites as possible," Nick-

laus explained. "That's why we're building an aquatic range."

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The Bangalore project, combined with a Jack Sr. contract for 18 holes in Goa, indicate the breadth of development taking place in the Asia-Pacific region. Goa is on the west coast of the Indian subcontinent.

The property at Goa, some 300 miles south of Bombay, already features a 200-room hotel nearby. The coastal site is elevated, and Nicklaus Sr. foresees the opportunity for spectacular views.

The city of Bangalore is further south. This 18-hole course is being developed in partnership with the Indian government.

## Nicklaus Sr.'s Nevillewood cited

NEVILLEWOOD, Pa. — Associated Builders and Contractors of Western Pennsylvania (ABC) have announced that Nevillewood Golf Community and Atlas Services Corp. have won the prestigious New Construction Award for projects of more than \$5 million.

According to Chuck Waddingham, ABC executive director, "the Business Development Committee and I felt that the course at Nevillewood was a well-conceived and executed plan. It was a fine project worthy of recognition."

Rick Stambrosky, president of Nevillewood Associates, developers of Nevillewood, said: "The vision demonstrated by Jack Nicklaus as he designed this golf course, and the manner in which Atlas Services executed this plan has enabled us to exceed some very high expectations."

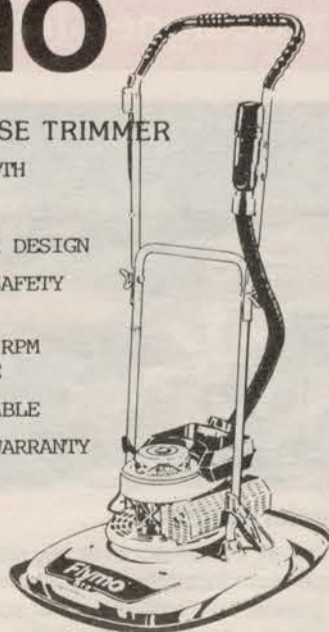
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