

Tatum, JMP plan private walking course in Monterey

MONTEREY, Calif. — Imagine, a golf course where all except those with physical disabilities would be required to walk ... with caddies.

That's the plan at an exclusive golf course proposed by developers of Rancho San Carlos on the scenic south ridge of Carmel Valley. An 18-hole golf course and 15,000-square-foot clubhouse are part of a use-permit application submitted to the county by the Rancho San Carlos limited partnership composed of the Pacific Union Co. of San Francisco and Daishinpan Ltd. Inc., a financial firm based in Osaka, Japan.

Sandy Tatum, former president of the U.S. Golf Association, is working with the J. Michael

Poellot Golf Design on the project. Tatum envisions the club as a private, proprietary club with about 250 members from around the world.

Several landowners near the proposed golf course site have said they oppose the proposal because of concerns that runoff of pesticides, fertilizer and irrigation water (some of it treated sewage) could contaminate nearby watersheds that provide water to the peninsula. There have also been concerns raised about the effect on the wildlife habitat, including eagles. A draft environmental report by Jones and Stokes of Sacramento is expected later this month, with hearings on the development as early as July.

Calif. county to bolster public golf portfolio with five courses

With as many as five public golf courses proposed for development and others possibly on the horizon, golf is becoming the new growth industry in Ventura County.

Golf courses are being proposed by the county, some cities and private developers. Each says the demand is high, and some even say there is potential for Ventura County to become a golf destination, though not on the scale of Palm Springs or Myrtle Beach,

S.C. A 1992 study released by the county said at least seven courses are needed to ease overcrowding on county courses. Golfers play 1.2 million rounds annually on Ventura County's 13 public courses. By comparison, the Coachella Valley has more than 80 public golf courses.

Some of the courses being proposed or built are:

- Camarillo Regional Golf Course. The county will offer the developer a ground lease and get a split of the revenue.

- A proposed 18-hole course on 151 acres in Thousand Oaks would be a joint project between the city and county.

- Moorpark. Two courses proposed here will be privately owned public layouts.

Asian conference

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designed for fresh university graduates interested in a management career, experienced managers looking to enhance their skills, and club owners interested in further their knowledge of club operations.

Attendees will receive valuable instruction from industry experts in the areas of club operations, food & beverage, agronomy and accounting. Amongst the panel of experts leading instruction will be two well known members of the U.S. golf industry: Larry Gerstner, co-author of "Club Operations and Management;" and Mike Peterson, assistant director at the PGA National Academy of Golf and former director of Junior Golf for the PGA of America.

Conferees will also have the opportunity to network with managers who run some of the top clubs in Asia-Pacific and tour existing operations in the region. The hospitality portion of the course will be administered by the International Institute of Golf Course, Hotel & Resort Management.

The program will be officiated by Dato' Dr. Affifuddin bin Hj. Omar, parliamentary secretary to the Malaysian Ministry of Finance, who holds his doctorate degree from Cornell University. Graduation certificates will be presented by Malaysia's Deputy Minister of Human Resources, Dato' M. Mahalingham.

Lloyd Daser, general manager of the Pan Pacific Glenmarie Resort, is providing attendees a special rate of US\$22.50 per night with breakfast on a triple sharing basis. In addition, the IAGCM has secured special arrangements plane fares through Malaysia Airlines System. Registration is encouraged before the May 28 deadline.

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