

## Indigo Run hires superintendent with Nicklaus experience: Wilkerson

HILTON HEAD ISLAND, S.C. — Mitchell Wilkerson is the golf course superintendent at the island's newest golf course, The Golf Club at Indigo Run, a collaborative design from Jack Nicklaus and son Jack II. Wilkerson has experience tending to Nicklaus designs, heading up maintenance operations at Annandale Golf Club (GC) in Jackson, Miss., and English Turn outside New Orleans. Wilkerson comes to Indigo Run from Daufuskie, Island, S.C., where

he looked after the Weiskopf/Morrish-designed Bloody Point GC, recently named one of the top 10 conditioned courses in the ClubCorp. of America management portfolio.

MOUNT AIRY, Md. — Billy Casper Golf Management has named **Paul J. Ramina** to the position of golf course superintendent at the soon-to-operate Links at Challedon here. A May opening is planned. Ramina arrived at the Brian Ault-designed

Challedon from Congressional Country Club (CC) where he served as assistant superintendent.

WICHITA, Kan. — **Wayne Van Arendonk**, CGCS, is the new golf course superintendent here at Rolling Hills CC. Van Arendonk had previously served in a similar capacity at Ames Golf & Country Club in Ames, Iowa.

In Georgia: **Rob Witney** has been named golf course super-

intendent at Country Oaks Golf Club in Thomasville, leaving a similar position at Fox Chase Plantation... **Bill Knox**, formerly superintendent at River Pines has moved to Fort McPherson Golf Club... **Gary Nagel** has left Brazell's Creek to accept the head position at the New Laura Walker State Park Golf Course in Waycross... **George Preisinger**, formerly of Marietta Country Club, has accepted the golf course superintendent's job at Brookstone Golf & CC in



WHERE THEY'RE GOING

Acworth... Stonebridge GC in Rome has a new head superintendent: **Randy Mangum**, who arrives via Atlanta Athletic Club... **Mark Snyder**, formerly an assistant at Hamilton Mill GC in Dacula, has been promoted to head superintendent... **Steve Sellen** is the new golf course superintendent at Lakeside GC in Atlanta... **Shawn Hillis** the new golf course superintendent at Stonebridge GC in Albany... In Brunswick, Ga., Oak Grove Plantation has a new golf course superintendent: **Michael Popwell**.

RIDGEFIELD, Wash. — **Dan Bierscheid** has been promoted golf course superintendent at Tri-Mountain Golf Course here. Bierscheid joined Tri-Mountain in 1994 as an assistant. He arrived with experience at Oregon Golf Club in West Linn, Ore., and Edgewater Country Club in Portland.

SPARKS, Nev. — **Daniel Bristol** has been named golf course superintendent here at Red Hawk Golf Club, a new Robert Trent Jones II design scheduled to open its first nine in September. Managed by Western Golf Properties, the 27-hole Red Hawk should be fully operational by spring 1997. Bristol comes to Red Hawk from the Estancia Club in Scottsdale, Ariz., where he was assistant superintendent.

FREDERICKBURG, Va. — **Ray Viera** has been named superintendent at the Billy Casper-managed Somerset Golf Club, a Jerry Slack design scheduled to open here this fall. Most recently, Viera was superintendent at the 36-hole Palm Aire Spa and Resort in Pampano Beach, Fla., but he also spent five years as an assistant at Shinnecock Hills in Southampton, N.Y., site of the 1995 U.S. Open.

### GCSANE ADDS ADMINISTRATOR

At the February meeting of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of New England, President Robert DiRico of Brae Burn Country Club announced the addition of an administrative secretary for the association as well as subletting office space at Golf House — home of the Francis Ouimet Museum, the Ouimet Scholarship Fund, and the Women's Golf Association of Massachusetts (WGAM). Janice Vance, executive secretary of WGAM, will also serve the GCSA of New England. DiRico stated the board of the GCSANE was excited about the changes and indicated that "the move to Golf House puts three allied associations under one roof."

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