NEWS

Panks to design 5th municipal track for city of Phoenix

PHOENIX, Ariz. — For years the Phoenix Parks, Recreation and Library Department has realized its four municipal courses weren't enough to meet the demand of local golfers.

To help solve the problem — and reduce things like overnight campouts for early-morning tee times — plans are under way to build a fifth municipal, 18-hole course.

The new course will be south of Cesar Chavez Park on the corner of 35th Avenue and Baseline Road near South Mountain. The course is being designed by DEI Professional Services and Gary Panks & Associates. When the new \$5.4 million course is finished, Phoenix will have municipal courses in every region of the city. Other municipal courses are Cave Creek, Encanto, Maryvale and Papago. The new course will feature a regula-

tion, 18-hole course and a nine-hole, executive layout. The facility will also have a clubhouse, pro shop, public meeting room, locker rooms, restaurant and 200-space parking lot. The course, which has yet to be named, will also feature a larger learning center aimed at young golfers. The facility is expected to be open by late 1997 or early 1998.

Deer get their due at Illinois track

VERNON HILLS, Ill. — The first few shovelfuls of dirt have barely been turned for a new, 18hole course on the Cuneo Estate and already the name has been changed.

Originally planned to be called The Moors, the new course that will be the centerpiece of the Gregg's Landing community will be called White Deer Run. The name is a nod to the history of the Cuneo property. Damuel Insul first brought White Fallow Deer from India to his grounds on Route 21 in 1919. A herd of descendants from those first deer are still kept on what is now known as the Cuneo Museum and Gardens in Vernon Hills.

Leon Joffe, executive vice president of developer Zale Homes, said the old name didn't properly evoke the natural woods and sanctuary-like feel of the property.

The village of Vernon Hills will own the land and Par Development, which is building the 230acre course, will operate it. An opening of spring 1998 is planned. After 25 years, the village will take full ownership of the course.

Red Hook gets new look with a baker's dozen

RED HOOK, N.Y. — Thirteen new holes recently opened at semi-private Red Hook Golf Course to mark its transformation to a full 18-hole layout.

The \$1.6 million expansion was launched in October 1993. A gang of volunteers who called themselves the "Apple Tree Gang"—a reference to the group credited with organizing one of the first golf clubs in the United States at St. Andrews (N.Y.) in the late 1880s—took on the task of developing the back nine.

The club reportedly saved \$90,000 when volunteers removed more than 4,000 trees at the site. The club also recruited 150 new members to bring the total to 399.

The addition was designed by Dave Horn of Architerra P.C. Horn's design combined five of the old holes with 13 new holes to create some of the more challenging holes in the Hudson Valley. Only one hole remained unchanged, the old 7th now known as the 11th.

No secret: New 18 at Lake Arrowhead

ROME, Wis. — Lake Arrowhead Golf Course, often called "Wisconsin's Best-Kept Secret" when it comes to golf, is planning to add another 18-hole layout just north of its original dailyfee facility. Killian Golf Design is in charge of the project, which will cost between \$2.5 and \$3 million. Part of the cost is expected to be paid for by sales of 165 to 170 adjoining house lots.

Lake Arrowhead General Manager Carl Landino said construction could start in September with site clearing and grading. Landino said the goal is for seeding to start in August 1997 with the course ready for play by July or August 1998. There will also be a second clubhouse built.

The original 18-hole course at Lake Arrowhead opened in two stages with the front nine in 1980 and the back nine in 1993. The layout is currently getting 27,000 to 30,000 rounds a year.

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