

Nugent's White Deer Run Golf Club to provide storm-water benefits

FROM WELL TO SURFACE WATER

HOUSTON, Texas - Willowisp Country Club, one of the oldest private country clubs in Fort Bend County, has commenced construction on a new drainage/surface water-retention program.

This innovative program will convert the course from well water to surface water in anticipation of conversion mandates by the Subsidence Districts. The work will not materially affect the original design of this Joe Finger layout, which will remain open for play during construction. But it will result in a new concept, believed to be the first of its kind in golf course design, under the banner Willowisp 2000. The new concept is the brain-child of R.W. Simmer, with assistance from Randy Lewis, director of golf, and superintendent John Lara, Sr.

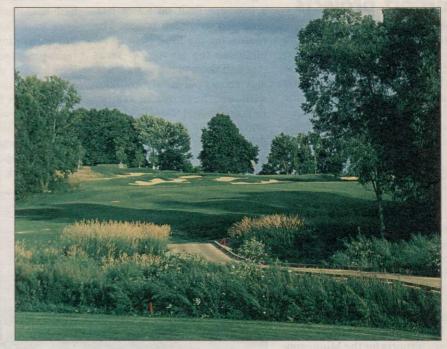
Completion is expected to be in the early spring of 1998.

VERNON HILLS, Ill. — Construction is underway here at White Deer Run Golf Course, an upscale daily-fee course designed by Nugent & Associates.

The 18-hole White Deer Run will occupy 240 acres of 1,100 acres. The site, developed as Gregg's Landing by the Zale Companies, had been one of Lake County's largest private estates, the Cuneo Estate. PAR Development will build and operate White Deer Run, scheduled to open in spring of 1998. PAR Development has selected Todd Lipschultz as project manager.

The golf course will offer a recreational outlet for the community while providing a solution to its storm-water requirements. Lake Charles, a 40-acre lake bordered by the 9th and 18th holes, could not be used for storm-water management, so the design of the course incorporates stormwater retention ponds and wetland sites.

"We gave careful consideration to the placement of these ponds," said Tim Nugent. "We didn't want water to come into play too frequently, so the ponds will be situated beside the tees and greens, leaving the fairways open.'



PALMER'S BOG A PUBLIC-PRIVATE HYBRID

The uphill 17th hole isn't the only striking feature at The Bog, a semi-private Palmer design in Saukville, Wis., about 25 miles north of Milwaukee. After it opened in July 1995, the Bog reached a marketing agreement with the Milwaukee Athletic Club (MAC) whereby members have the right to purchase rounds in advance — as much as a year in advance. According to Bog owner Terry Wakefield, MAC members purchased all 12,000 alotted rounds for the remainder of '95. Last year, they purchased 20,000 of the 25,000 rounds sold. "Whatever they don't buy, I sell to the public." Wakefield explained.

Private group to develop city park course

N HANTILLY, Va. — Pleasant Valley Golfer's Club is being built at Richard W. Jones Park here. Golf South, a private group based in Greenville, S.C., will develop the course under lease from the Fairfax County Park Authority.

The Park Authority purchased the 255-acre park in 1989, the first land acquisition using funds authorized by the 1988 park bond referendum. It was named after Richard W. Jones, who as manager of the Planning and Land Acquisition Division of the Park

Authority for 21 years, was instrumental in the acquisition of more than 11,000 acres of parkland, more than 75 percent of the county's entire public park holdings.

Pleasant Valley Golfer's Club will be an 18-hole, upscale daily-fee course with extensive practice facilities, including a double-ended driving range, clubhouse, maintenance facility and parking. The project will also include neighborhood park facilities such as trails, picnic area, open play area, and

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