

CSM to design 'Son of Captains' track in Bay State

BREWSTER, Mass. — Ground has been broken here on 18 new holes adjacent to The Captains Golf Club, the award-winning layout from course designers Cornish, Silva and Mungeam (CSM).

CSM Partner Brian Silva, whose original 18 at The Captains was named *Golf Digest's*

Best New Public Course for 1985, will design the new 18 right next door. However, Silva will integrate both courses so each nine will feature new and original holes. Silva expects all 36 to be playable by late summer 1999.

"When we're done, the town of Brewster won't have an old golf course and new golf course,"

Silva explained. "It will have two completely new golf experiences. Of course, this requires that we work hard to blend the style of the new holes with those existing holes. Fortunately, the original course routing makes this sort of integration feasible. It's extremely serendipitous that the original course had four start-

ing holes and four finishing holes in reasonable proximity to the clubhouse."

The town of Brewster and CSM have enjoyed a long, successful history. CSM Partner Geoffrey Cornish first walked the original course site in the mid-1970s, but funding wasn't approved for the project until 1983.

After the original course opened to immediate acclaim, the town considered building the second course straight-away. However, funding for the new 18 wasn't approved until 1997.

The original Captains design — so called because each hole is named for one of Brewster's historic sea captains — was Silva's first solo effort; the new 18 will be his 38th. The contractor which built the original course, International Golf of Arlington, Mass., returns this summer to build the new one. "There are all sorts of wonderful ironies and happenstance associated with this job," Silva said. "It's an incredible thing to do another 18 adjacent to my very first solo design. I can't wait to get started."

When the new course — which Silva affectionately calls "Son of Captains" — opens for play next summer, the tiny Cape town of Brewster will boast four CSM-designed layouts. Ocean Edge Golf Club, longtime site of the New England PGA Championship, made its debut in 1986, while Cape Cod National will open for member play in May. "Needless to say, the town of Brewster has been beddy, beddy good to CSM," said Silva, paraphrasing the immortal Chico Esquella.

Based in Uxbridge, Mass., CSM will christen five original 18-hole designs in 1998, including the hotly anticipated Waverly Oaks in Plymouth, Mass., and Charleston Springs in Monmouth County, N.J.

Further afield, Silva recently completed a renovation of all 185 bunkers at Donald Ross' Seminole Golf Club in North Palm Beach, Fla. Meanwhile, work continues at Seth Raynor's Fox Chapel Golf Club, which Silva is restoring in anticipation of the USGA's Curtis Cup matches in 2002.

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PORT ST. LUCIE, Fla. — The Legacy Golf & Tennis Club reopened Jan. 17 after a \$2.3-million renovation. Improvements included several new tee boxes, bunker remodeling, extended cart paths, a new practice tee on the back side of the driving range, and extensive landscaping.

The Legacy Golf & Tennis Club is a private equity club located in "The Reserve." The course was designed by George Fazio and his nephew Jim Fazio. Built in 1984, and originally known as The Reserve Golf & Tennis Club, it was owned and operated by the Fazio family.

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