

BRIEFS

FALL CITY, Wash. — A new, private 18-hole course designed by Tom Fazio will be built on a 220-acre portion of the Aldarra Farm outside Seattle. The proposed Members Club at Aldarra will restrict membership to 416 and be a golf-only club. The course, the first designed by Fazio in the Pacific Northwest, will be built on farmland once owned by the Boeing family. An understated wood-and-stone, 15,000-square-foot clubhouse is also planned. Construction is scheduled to start this spring with a target opening date of late summer 1999.

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YORKTOWN, N.Y. — Donald Trump's interest in developing courses in Westchester County continues. Trump is reportedly interested in developing an 18-hole layout and housing on 150 acres of land off the Taconic Parkway. Trump has already been and continues to be involved in course proposals in Westchester. His proposed \$7.5 million course and homes at the 213-acre Seven Springs estate straddling Bedford, New Castle and North Castle is undergoing environmental review. He also wants to build a luxury course and townhouses at Briar Hall Country Club, which he acquired in 1996.

NGF details green fees across U.S.A.

JUPITER, Fla. — Hawaii and Nevada are the most expensive places to play and South Dakota and Kansas the cheapest, according to a profile of U.S. golf course green fees recently published by the National Golf Foundation.

The national average is \$37.30, according to a state-by-state breakdown of in-season, weekend rates (with cart) for regulation 18-hole daily-fee facilities.

Hawaii and Nevada lead the list by a relatively wide margin at \$85.70 and \$84, respectively. At the other end are two Midwestern states, South Dakota and Kansas, at \$23.80 and \$24.20, respectively.

Looking at the data from a regional standpoint, golfers in the seven Midwestern states making up the West North Central region enjoy some of the lowest fees in the country. The average for the region is \$27.90. This is the lowest among the nine U.S. census regions. In addition to South Dakota and Kansas, this region consists of Missouri, Iowa, Nebraska, North Dakota and Minnesota.

The Mountain and Pacific regions carry the highest average in the country at \$52.40 and \$49.60, respectively. In addition to Nevada, these regions consist of California, Oregon, Washington, Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, Utah, Arizona and Colorado.

Average Weekend Green Fees/In Season/With Cart
(18-hole Regulation Daily-Fee Courses Only)

South Dakota	\$ 23.80	Texas	\$ 34.30
Kansas	24.20	Maine	34.40
Arkansas	25.00	Mississippi	34.80
Kentucky	25.30	Delaware	36.20
District of Columbia	26.00	New Mexico	36.40
Ohio	26.00	Georgia	36.80
Alabama	26.40	North Carolina	37.00
Iowa	26.80	Rhode Island	37.10
Nebraska	27.30	U.S. Average	37.30
Oklahoma	27.30	Oregon	37.70
North Dakota	28.50	Connecticut	38.30
Indiana	29.50	Massachusetts	40.30
New York	29.90	Virginia	40.30
West Virginia	29.90	Wyoming	40.40
Tennessee	30.30	Maryland	40.90
Wisconsin	31.20	New Hampshire	42.30
Illinois	31.60	Idaho	42.60
Minnesota	31.90	Vermont	42.70
Louisiana	32.50	Florida	43.20
Pennsylvania	32.90	South Carolina	43.90
Missouri	33.10	New Jersey	48.70
Montana	33.20	Colorado	51.90
Michigan	33.30	California	57.00
Alaska	33.50	Arizona	66.70
Utah	33.50	Nevada	84.00
Washington	33.90	Hawaii	85.70

Source: National Golf Foundation

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