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The 3rd hole at Colleton River's new course is uniquely Dye.

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DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT

Dye completes Colleton River course

HILTON HEAD ISLAND, N.C. — Pete Dye is putting the finishing touches on his Colleton River course, his third — and perhaps final design — in the Hilton Head Island area. The Dye course, which officially opens in April 1999, joins the existing 18-hole Jack Nicklaus-designed course at Colleton River Plantation that opened in 1992.

The course sprawls across 300 acres of coastal property and offers long, sweeping views of rich tidal marshlands, the waters of the Colleton and

Chechessee Rivers, the Port Royal Sound and the Atlantic ocean.

The Dye course takes full advantage of its location which sits a good six to seven feet higher in elevation than most Lowcountry properties in the area. The end effect is that many of the tees and landing areas are elevated, enhancing the views and allowing the golfer to look down on the hole.

Tees and greens will be Tifdwarf Bermuda, the fairways will be 419 Bermuda.



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Palmer's Rivers Edge GC on track

SHALLOTTE, N.C. — The developers of Arnold Palmer-designed Rivers Edge Golf Club have announced the course is on schedule for a fall opening.

The course's new name better conveys the true spirit and beauty of a seaside golf course than its old name, Tree Rock. The design features seven riverfront holes. The interior holes boast natural and dramatic topography with lots of elevation changes and dense forests.

A group of Charlotte golf course developers has teamed with property owner R.D. White to construct and manage Rivers Edge Golf Club within an exclusive new residential community being developed by White. The group has been involved in four other golf courses in the Charlotte area.

Rivers Edge is located in one of coastal North Carolina's most pristine areas along freshwater lakes, salt marshes and the mile-wide Shallotte River.

The Granddaddy boldly redone

MYRTLE BEACH, S.C. — Pine Lakes International Country Club, Myrtle Beach's oldest golf course, is getting a new look. Last summer, "The Granddaddy" began a bold renovation of the back nine holes of the course. Renovations for 1998 were completed on schedule and the course officially opened for play on the back nine holes at the end of August.

The Rick Robbins-designed renovations of the Robert Whit track included major changes in the par-3 11th hole, where the green is not noticeably higher, its undulation more severe, and a water hazard was added; and the 417-yard 13th, which has a new green decorated by bulkheading.

Other renovations will include creating better drainage and visuals, elevating some of the greens, and changing the lay of the land on the back nine holes. The front nine will undergo minor alterations. All the scheduled renovations will give golfers some of the most beautiful views in Myrtle Beach.