

Brauer begins Whitestone

BENBROOK, Texas — The fastest-growing segment of the golf industry is public golf and to meet that demand in the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex, ground has been broken here for a new golf course, Whitestone Golf Club. The course is expected to open in the fall. It is owned by Cobblestone Golf Group, which is selling all its properties by the end of March.

Texas-based golf course architect Jeff Brauer designed Whitestone, with Jay Morrish serving as a design consultant.

Located 10 minutes southwest of Fort Worth, Whitestone Golf Club's rolling topography is enhanced by Dutch Branch Creek, which runs throughout the 200-

acre property. Towering cedar elms line the creek and thickets of native habitat are scattered throughout the golf course, which is abundant with deer, turkey and other wild fowl.

From the back tees, one of four sets of tees available, the par-72 course will play to 7,110 yards.

Houston to get Rees track

HOUSTON — The Redstone Group, owner and operator of The Houstonian Hotel, Club & Spa, announced details of its 18-hole golf project being designed by Rees Jones and currently under construction in Fort Bend County.

The Redstone Group golf project is the first complete design project in Texas for Jones.

The private Shadow Hawk Golf Club will be a classic course that makes full use of the natural wooded terrain to afford flexibility, variety and aesthetic appeal.

Jones, who has described his design philosophy as one of fairness, emphasized that the course will offer golfers clearly defined shot-making objectives, that can be just as challenging but much less frustrating than blind holes that trick golfers.

"A blend of sand, grass and water hazards will be judiciously located to suggest the appropriate line of attack," Jones said. "Alternate, safe routes of play will be provided for those not willing or capable of executing a more heroic style of play."

Membership in Shadow Hawk will be by invitation only and limited to 300.

MacCurrach: 18 holes, 120 days

FINDLAY, Ohio—MacCurrach Golf Construction completed Red Hawk Run golf course here in a mere 120 days.

"We began construction in the middle of June and completed the course in mid-October," said Allan MacCurrach, president of MacCurrach Golf. "Our on-site senior construction superintendent was Chris Lepanto, who has been a part of our team for 10 years."

Approximately a quarter of a million cubic yards of earth were moved to create the daily-fee project that will open to the public this summer. "We have to credit Arthur Hills, the architect for the project, Bill Kirk and Denny Fitzgerald, the managing partners, and the city and county officials who wanted this facility built without delay," MacCurrach noted.

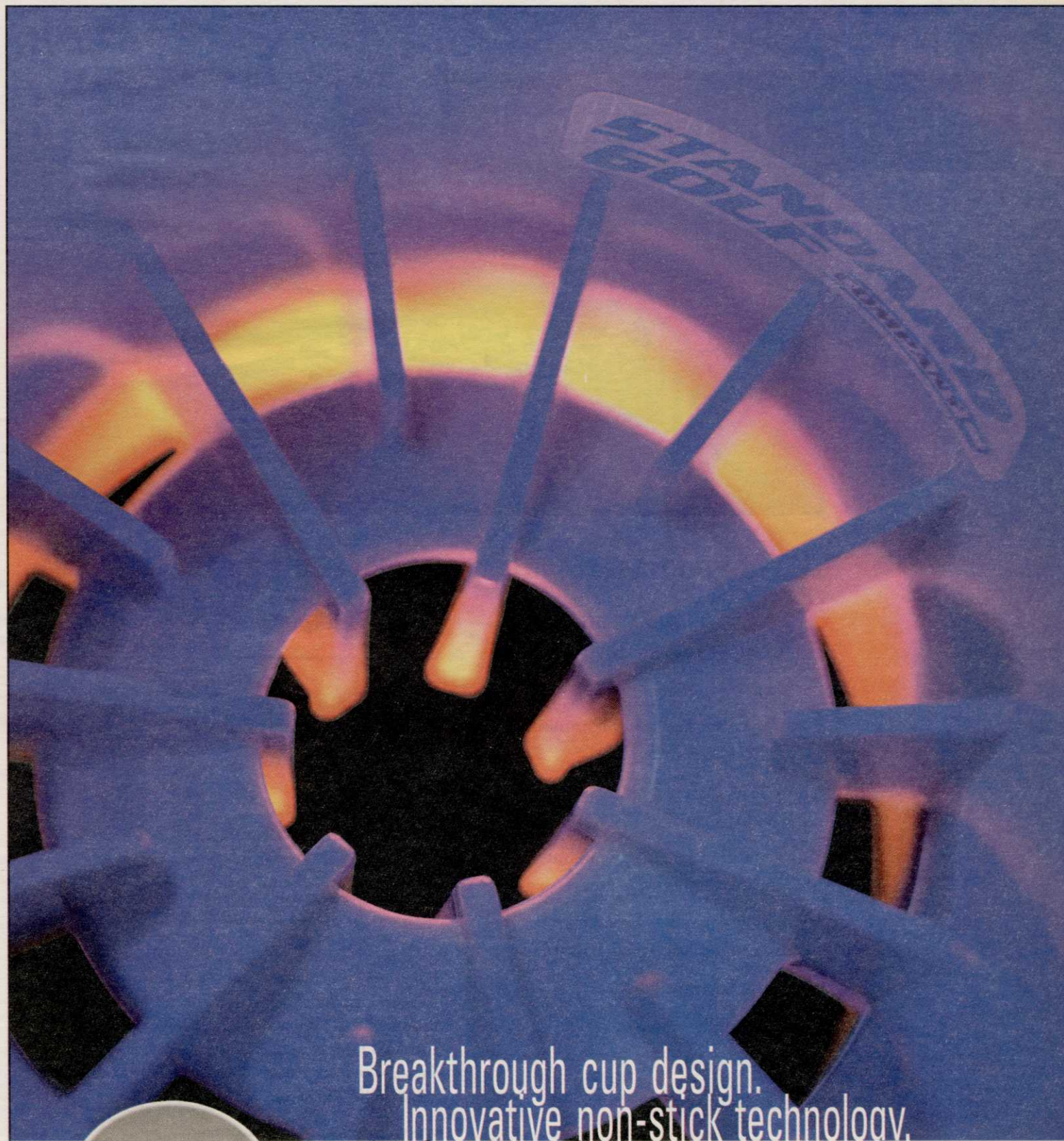
FIRST GOLF CHOSEN

UNION, Ore. — CEC Properties Inc. has announced that its wholly owned subsidiary, First Golf Corp., has been awarded a development and management contract by the city of Union, Ore., for construction management of an 18-hole links-style golf facility.

Leonard Almquist, Union city manager, said in a statement that First Golf, with Bill Phillips as the golf course architect, was chosen because of their experience developing high-end golf course facilities.

First Golf will provide program and construction management, design review, and grow-in through maturation. Construction is scheduled to begin in March, with the opening to be in 2000. CEC's other subsidiary, Classic Golf Management, will assume facility management upon completion of the project.

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