

Speed of play

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pulled way back and a hard hole location. They need to be matched up."

PREDICTION SYSTEM

Another option that may soon be available is a software program that can simulate speed of play on a course before it is even built.

Bill Yates, president of Pace Manager Systems and an engineer that helped the USGA develop its pace rating system, is working on a computer simulator program that can determine the best loading for a golf course just by analyzing routing plans.

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with architects and builders and developers before the course is built to let them know what the optimum load will be for the course," said Yates.

As Yates was keen to point out, and many developers and architects need to realize: after the course is built it is too late.

"It doesn't mean that the routing of the course is horrible," he said. "But if you expect to be able to deliver a four hour round and the best you can actually do is four-and-a-half hours, you have a problem. The course may be exquisite, have a unique design and great turf conditions, but if golfers are standing around and waiting then that all gets forgotten." ■

CORRECTIONS

LANDMARK

A story about Landmark National East's Barefoot Resort (*GCN*, July 2001, p. 21) incorrectly stated that La Quinta Resort & Club and PGA West are managed by Landmark Golf. KSL Recreation acquired both of those properties in 1993. We regret the error.

RED SKY

In the Red Sky Golf Club story (Sept. 2001, *GCN*, p. 1) a couple of figures were incorrect. The Fazio Course at Red Sky, which will open next summer, will play 7,180 yards from the back tees – not 7,400 yards. Additionally, the layout's altitude is 7,200 feet – not 9,000 feet. We regret the errors.

NIGM announces 2002 management seminar

JUPITER, Fla. — The National Institute of Golf Management is now accepting registrations for its 2002 golf course management seminar to be held Jan. 13-17 at Oglebay Resort and Conference Center in Wheeling, W.Va. The seminar will feature a keynote presentation by American Golf Corp.'s CEO David Pillsbury.

Co-sponsored by the National Golf Foundation and the Continuing Education Department at Oglebay, the five-day program will be led by experts on all aspects of golf facility management.

More than 3,000 golf managers, superintendents, owners, golf professionals, food and beverage personnel and pro shop person-

nel have completed this program since its inception in 1984.

Three concurrent seminar programs will address the needs of first-year, second-year and graduate students. Subjects will cover: golf shop operations; player development; environmental issues and concerns; computerization and technology;

liability and risk management; pace of play; research tools; marketing; cash and fiscal controls; food and beverage; personnel and customer relations; publicity and promotions; and golf car operations. Instructors include experts from American Golf Corporation, Club Car, ClubLink, GCSAA, PGA of America and the NGF, as well as course owners and operators, developers and manufacturers.



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