

Move PGA Winter Events to Port St. Lucie Club

The three major winter tournaments of the PGA will be played at Port St. Lucie (Fla.) CC in 1963. Originally, it had been planned to hold the events at the new PGA National GC, which is now being built in Palm Beach Gardens, Fla. However, it now appears that the two courses under construction there will not be in play in time for the winter tourneys. In addition, other facilities necessary for tournament operation probably won't be completed on schedule.

The PGA Seniors' Teacher Trophy Championship, originally scheduled for Feb. 21-24, will be played at Port St. Lucie, Jan. 31-Feb. 3. The PGA National GC championship will be held Jan. 17-20 and the Quarter Century even is to be played Jan. 23-24.

Port St. Lucie is located 35 miles north of the new Palm Beach Gardens club in the vicinity of Ft. Pierce. St. Lucie has two 18 hole courses, one more than 7,000 yards long and the other, 6,650. They were designed by Mark Mahannah. The club has a \$450,000 clubhouse and there is said to be ample housing in the area.

Ladies PGA Has 11 Tourneys on Fall Schedule

Women professionals who play the Ladies PGA tour this fall will compete for a total of \$122,500 in prizes. Included among the 11 tourneys which the women will play are the LPGA Championship and the Haig & Haig Mixed Foursome. Four of the regularly scheduled events offer \$10,000 or more in prize money.

Five new tournaments have been added to the women's fall calendar. They are the Eugene (Ore.), Visalia (Calif.), Phoenix Thunderbird, Carlsbad Cavern City and Houston Opens. Holdover events include the Spokane, Sacramento Valley, San Diego and San Antonio Civitan Opens in addition to the LPGA Championship and Haig & Haig. Five pro-ams also are on the fall schedule.

30 For The Season

Before the 1962 season is over, the women will have played 30 official and four unofficial tournaments as compared to a total of 24 events in 1961. Prize money for the year will run to nearly \$275,000 or about \$90,000 more than in 1961.