Hole of the Hole No. 10 **Desert Highlands Golf Course** Scottsdale, Ariz. Golfdom February 2004



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The 10th hole at Desert Highlands Golf Course in Scottsdale, Ariz., offers some the best scenery on the track. With a tee carved out of the side of a mountain and a 50-foot drop to the fairway, playing the 408yard par 4 is a visual extravaganza.

Superintendent Phil Shoemaker says renovating the bunker on the hole was one of the more interesting maintenance projects he's faced. "We had to build scaffolding inside it to put the lining in," he says.

The mounds behind the hole, designed to stop fast-moving shots that roll through the green, used to present the biggest maintenance problem on the hole because the crew had to mow them with Flymos, Shoemaker says. But advances in triplex mower technology allow he and his crew to handle the job without resorting to the "Flymo parties" he hosted 20 years ago, he adds.

Shoemaker was the superintendent of the course when it was built in 1982, left for another job and then came back four years ago.

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