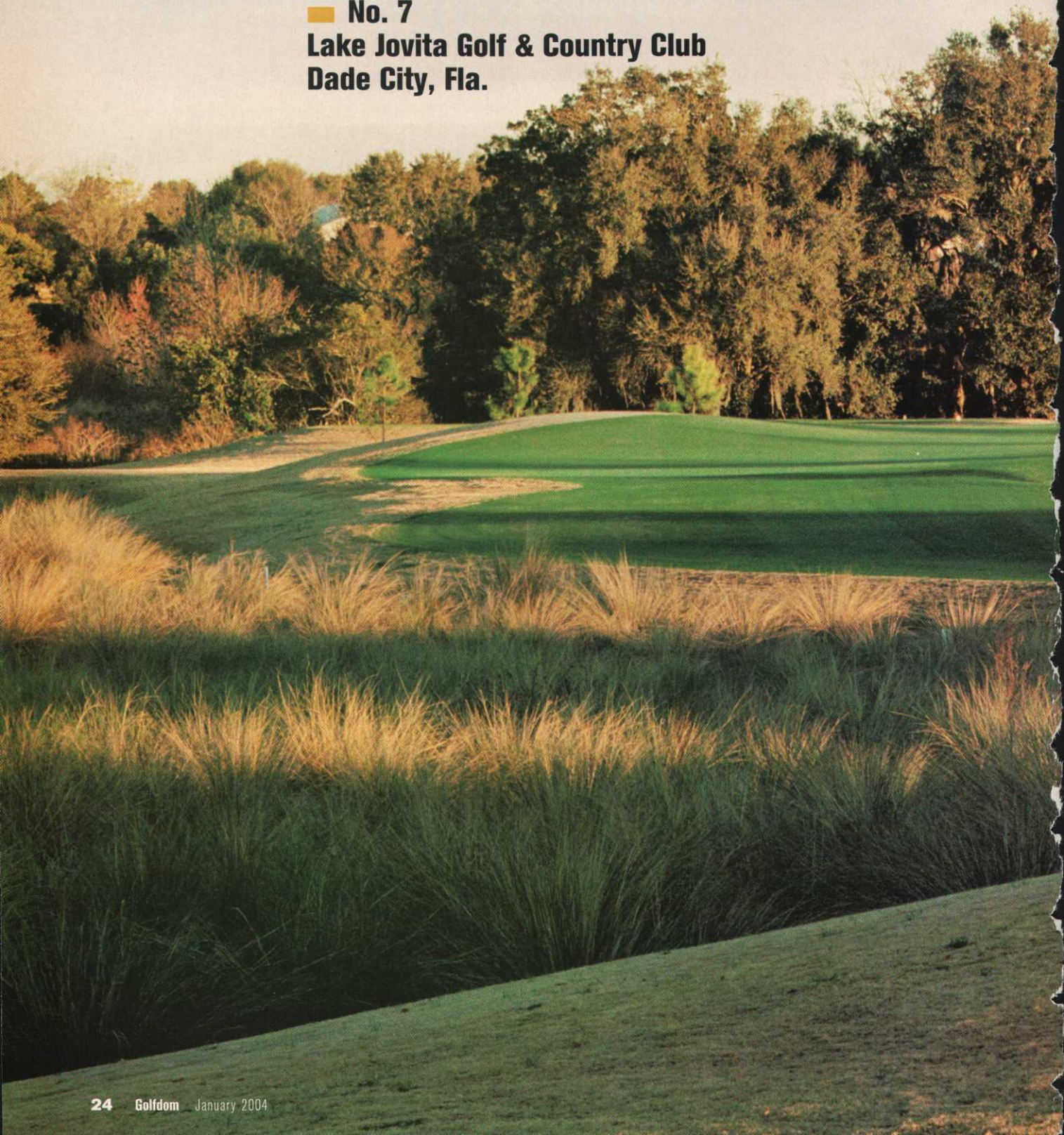


Hole of the

■ No. 7

**Lake Jovita Golf & Country Club
Dade City, Fla.**



Month

A Hilly Course in a Flat Land

You won't think that Florida is flat after playing a round at Lake Jovita Golf & Country Club in Dade City, Fla. Lake Jovita goes against that topographical assumption of the Sunshine State. The course, designed by Kurt Sandness with assistance from PGA Tour player Tom Lehman, features 140 feet of elevation change.

"The course has a hilly terrain, which is different for Florida," says Tony Disano, certified superintendent, who has been at the course since its construction six years ago.

The par-3 No. 7 (pictured here) on the South Course is no exception. The 202-yard hole features one of the biggest greens on the course. It's adorned by a natural area on the left and trees on the right. Disano advises golfers to play to the center of the green.

That natural area and its surroundings are Disano's top maintenance challenges on the hole. "We have to work hard to keep the turf mowed around the natural area," Disano says. "We have to make sure the slopes are maintained." It's also a challenge to keep the natural area looking uniform, Disano adds, noting that he and his crew remove noxious plants from the area.

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