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Decorators finished and furnished Tammy Brook's lobby in a Colonial decor in keeping with the exterior.



Tammy Brook

All cash systems were GO at this \$3 million New Jersey club and the designers and decorators have contrived a most magnificent kind of a clubhouse setting

By Joseph W. Dragonetti

Even the lockerrooms and the barber shop are carpeted in one of New Jersey's newest country clubs—Tammy Brook. It's located in Cresskill in Bergen County, about eight miles from New York's George Washington Bridge.

Tammy Brook CC is situated on 138 acres of picturesque country on the slopes of the palisades, overlooking Northern Valley. Its gently rolling terrain, replete with woods and streams, offers golf at its best. The course was designed by Robert Trent Jones.

The club is a dream come true for Ercole Tamburelli, a successful builder of homes and apartment houses. Well-placed on what was rugged woodland, Tammy Brook is a monument to good decorating taste. Ercole personally super-



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Bar and lounge on main floor have a modern setting. (Inset) This is the 18th hole as seen from the terrace.



vised construction of the \$3 million venture. He is the sole owner of the club.

For interior decoration and furnishings, Tamburelli called on two experts, Miriam Follmer of Huffman & Boyle, North Hackensack, N. J., and C. H. Masland & Son, Carlisle, Pa., carpet manufacturers.

Blend of Traditional, Contemporary

Architecture, furniture and accessories on the main floor carry out a traditional motif in keeping with the stately exterior of the building. The lower floor, level with the golf course, is in a contemporary theme. In every case, all-wool Wilton carpets, patterned by Miss Follmer and woven by Masland, are skillfully used as a vital part of the decor.

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and passageways are completely carpeted.

As one enters the club through the columned portico, he finds interiors in the Georgian motif. This theme is carried out throughout the main floor. At first, one sees an inviting fountain in the vestibule, offering a fresh welcome.

The lobby is carpeted in a textured olive green and furnished with upholstered pieces, covered in gold, coral and beige. The wood pieces are mahogany reproductions.

Crest Is Highlighted

A spacious bar-lounge features a natural stone wood-burning fireplace, flanked by comfortable sofas. The color scheme here is red, brown and beige. Leather is used abundantly. The bar front is in brown upholstery—the wall behind carries a red background on which is mounted the club's large metal crest. Taken from the Tamburelli family coat of arms, the crest appears on all the club's literature, napkins, menus and is also used as wall decorations in other sections of the club-house.

The windows in the lounge look out



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over the roofed terrace to the greens beyond. This room seats about 250 people. Arm chairs are covered in turquoise which complements the color of the especially-created scroll design in the carpet.

The decor of the banquet room, opening off the dining room and separated by folding doors, has the same carpet, draperies and colors so that when opened for a large gathering it becomes one great room seating at least 750 people.

Stage in Banquet Room

The banquet room is equipped with a stage and the very latest in lighting and theatrical equipment. Another feature of this section are the large, recessed, indirect lighting arrangements. Multicolor lights, with varying degrees of brightness, can be changed with a master switch.

A smaller, private dining room is situated off the lobby. Several other private rooms, set aside for special functions, are located in this area. The decor of these rooms has an intimate feeling. It is obtained by the selection of panelled wall paper and a breakfront, chairs and servers in French provincial cherry. As in the lobby, these rooms give members and guests the feeling of being in a private home.

The covered terrace, accessible from the bar, dining and banquet rooms is furnished with wrought-iron tables and chairs for dining, light snacks and cocktails.

Contemporary Theme

The lower floor is in a contemporary theme. In this area, used mostly by the golfers, there is the pro shop, locker rooms, rest rooms, powder room, boot-black, a men's and women's card rooms, massage rooms, a beauty parlor and barber shop.

The grill room on this floor features a distinctive, modern motif. There is emphasis on comfort and natural lighting. The colors are all correlated in these areas, the carpet being in tones of gold, with black and coral accents.

Wall and drapery treatments in each room on the lower level, as well as furnishings, follow the modern country club trend. From each of these rooms, a person can stroll out onto a lower outside terrace. Here, wrought-iron tables and chairs are set up for refreshments.

Architects for the clubhouse were Erwin Gerber and James Pancani, Jr., of Newark, New Jersey.

The club has an Olympic-size swim-



Spacious men's lockerroom at Tammy Brook is completely carpeted.

ming pool plus an adjacent diving pool. Tammy Brook also offers swimming memberships. The pool lockerrooms are spacious, air-conditioned and spotless.

Kitchen for Golfers

The superbly-equipped kitchen, staffed by experts, serves both American and Continental cuisine. There is also a separate kitchen to provide the special service needed by golfers.

The chef is William K. Schabbel. He has had 40 years experience and served his apprenticeship in Hamburg, Germany. He came to this country in 20's and has served in many well known establishments, including hotels.

The manager of Tammy Brook is Paul Renaud, a native of Montreal who served for six years as bar and food manager at Castle Harbor in Bermuda. Previous to his being named manager of Tammy Brook, he was catering manager at the Bahamas CC in Nassau. He was also with the Dellwood CC in New York City.

The maitre d' in this type of country club fills a vital role. He is Pierre di Bernardi, a boyhood friend of Tamburelli. They came from the same town in northern Italy—Saluggia, near Torino in the Piedmont region.

Manager of the golf course is James (Jimmy) DiStasio, a native of Bergen County. He has been a golfer and pro for 34 years. Di Stasio operated Englewood (N. J.) CC from 1946 through 1953 as a public course and as a private club through 1959. He also operated Forsgate

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Gene Sarazen shows his award to Guido Cribari, Westchester county newspaperman (center) and Fred Corcoran of International Golf Assn. In background is Charles Bartlett, Chicago Tribune and national secretary of the GWA. At right, JoAnne Gunderson and Patty Berg, award winners, listen to the oratory.

Night at the Waldorf



Nearly 900 persons, a record crowd, attended the 11th Awards dinner of the Metropolitan Golf Writers' Assn, in the Hotel Waldorf-Astoria, New York, on Jan. 9. The Gold Tee, the writers' top award, was presented to Arnold Palmer. The Chapin award went to Dr. and Mrs. George Trainor and daughter, Ann, and the Ben Hogan award was given to Bobby Nichols.

Other award winners and notables present included Jack Nicklaus, JoAnne Gunderson, Murlie Lindstrom, Maureen Orcutt, Paul Runyan, Sam Snead, Gene Sara-

zen, Patty Berg, John Ames, Gus Benedict, Fritz Souder, Lou Strong, and New York state and Met district officials and champions.

Mentions IRS's Debt

Sen. Hugh Scott (Rep., Pa.) contributed to the evening's merriment by emphasizing the indebtedness of the Internal Revenue Service to Arnold Palmer and Sam Snead. The invocation, by Monsignor S. J. McGovern, Church of St. Joseph, Spring Valley, N. Y., impressed everyone as a true prayer from a golfer's heart. It appears on page 112 of this issue.



(Above) Here's democracy in action. The world's greatest golfer designs to pose with a fellow who at first was thought to be Old Tom Morris, but turned out to be no other than the world's worst golfer. The man at right, whose hat was confiscated when he came to dinner, had his pate freshly buffed for the occasion.

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Maryland - Washington, D. C. Hurry to Catch up on Courses

By HARRY C. ECKHOFF
Director, Eastern Region
National Golf Foundation

The Maryland-National Capital park and planning commission is taking action to alleviate the shortage of golf courses in greater Washington, D. C. and Maryland. Construction has begun on an 18-hole county layout in the northwest section of Montgomery County. The course will be known as the Northwest Branch Park GC. An additional nine is also in planning at this location, according to John P. Hewitt, director of parks for the park and planning commission.

The MNCPP Commission also plans to begin construction of two 9-hole executive (par 30) courses in Prince Georges County in the near future. One will be in the Oxon Hill area, the other near College Park. The commission now operates a 9-hole course in Oxon Run Park in Prince Georges County and another in Sligo Creek Park in Montgomery County, Md.

Montgomery County, Md., also opened

Architects Meet in Florida

The annual meeting of the American Society of Golf Course Architects will be held Feb. 11-14 in the Bellevue Biltmore Hotel in Clearwater, Fla.

a new 18-hole public course (Falls Road) in June, 1961. This facility, operated by the Montgomery County revenue authority, had 36,000 rounds of golf played on it during its first year of operation. Income after expenses and encumbrances (including debt service in the amount of \$17,763.00) was \$1,197.92.

State Has 91 Courses

As of Nov. 1, 1962, Maryland had a total of 91 golf courses in play. Of these, 83 are regulation length and 8 are Par-3 layouts. A further study of the state's golfing facilities reveals that there are 26 9-hole layouts and 57 18-hole operations in the following categories: 55 private clubs, 14 semi-private, and 14 municipal. Of the 8 Par-3's in play in Maryland, four are semi-private, three are private and one is a municipal.

New facilities opening in Maryland during 1962 were the first 9 of a planned 18 at the Tantallon CC, Fort Washington,



The check that Bob Mills (center) received for serving as secretary-treasurer of the Western Michigan GA in 1962 was donated to Eugene J. Johannsmeier (l) of the Michigan Turfgrass Foundation to aid the research program that the Foundation carries on. At right is Roy Peck, president of WMGA.

and the first 9 of the planned 18-hole Aviation Yacht and CC at Chaptico. Courses under construction in addition to those being developed by the MNCPP commission, include: a third 9 at Turf alley in Ellicott City; a second 9 at Gunpowder CC, Laurel; a 9-hole semi-private operation at Cumberland and a new 18-hole replacement course for Five Farms CC in Baltimore.

According to National Golf Foundation statistics, the combined areas of the District of Columbia and Maryland now have one course for every 42,468 persons. Total golfing facilities in the nation as of Nov. 1, 1962, were 7070 courses (6521 are regulation length and 549, Par-3's). The national average is one golf course for each 25,376 persons.

Maryland and the District of Columbia rank 49th among the states in ratio of golf courses to population. Only Alaska has fewer courses per capita.

The ten leading states in new golf course openings in 1962, excluding Par-3 courses, were Florida 24, California 23, New York 22, Pennsylvania 19, Texas 18, Massachusetts 13, Alabama 11, and Ohio, South Carolina and Virginia — each 10.

PGA Changes Classifications

At the 1962 meeting of the PGA in Palm Beach, Fla., delegates voted to eliminate the Class D classification of assistants, substituting a new one, Class Junior A. Class C also was eliminated and Class B was expanded to take in former Class C members. Initiation fees for Class A and B members were increased from \$25 to \$100 and those for Class A Juniors from \$10 to \$50.