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Municipal Golf Course

On May 16 the new Santa Cruz Municipal Golf Course opened in DeLaveaga Park. The 18 hole facility is a par 72 and plays approximately 6500 yards from the back tees. The facility has a large adjoining driving range and putting green and is served by an automatic irrigation system pumped from a lake which also serves as part of the 18th fairway.

The course and its related facilities were constructed by the Santa Cruz Public Recreation Corporation headed by President Al Tosta. The organization is a non-profit corporation formed under state laws to provide assistance to the City by constructing the golf course. Activities of the corporation are limited by Non-Profit Corporation Law. They have received no gains, profits, or dividends from the course and at the time the bonds for the facility are retired its total ownership will revert to the City. Members of the corporation in addition to Mr. Tosta are Tony Foster, Vice President, Tom Butler, Secretary, Warren Cottrell, Treasurer, Eli Bariteau, member at large.

Funds to operate the course will come from green fees, pro shop, and restaurant sales. No taxpayers funds will be used to either finance or operate the course.

The course was designed by Bert Stamps of Cameron Park and constructed by Homer Flint of Sacramento. The Club House was designed by Mel Calendar of Santa Cruz and constructed by Reese Construction Company also of Santa Cruz.

The new golf professional is Gary Loustalot who comes to Santa Cruz from the University-Sequoia-Sunnyside Golf Club in Fresno. Prior to that Gary was associate professional for his father Ed Loustalot at Valley High Country Club in Sacramento. Gary currently is president of the Northern California Chapter of the Professional Golfers' Association and has been an instructor at the PGA West Coast Business School. He was among the top 5 money winners in Northern California PGA from 1960-69. Gary is 33 years old, married and has 3 sons.

The Club House concessionaires are Ellsworth, Lance, and John Bei all of Santa Cruz. They are established in Santa Cruz and successful operators of an existing bar and restaurant. Joining in this partnership will be George Vomvolakis also a local Santa Cruzan who has for the past number of years worked for the Pacific Telephone Company. The Club House will house not only the Pro Shop but a restaurant, bar, and coffee shop.

Green fees and annual rates for the new golf course are as follows: