

Major renovation project underway at Quail Creek Country Club

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Quail Creek Country Club, the 37-year-old private club located east of I-75 and north of Immokalee Road, has announced the major renovation project designed to enhance the lifestyle of both current and future members for years to come has begun.

The \$18.5 million capital project, which is scheduled to be completed in early 2020, was approved by club members in March 2018.

The project began late last year with the start of the demolition of the tennis and fitness buildings. That work has now been completed. The start of construction will begin soon.

The golf, tennis and fitness buildings will be integrated into an innovative 18,000-square-foot Sports Center & Spa, which will encompass golf and tennis operations, the Blue Zones-certified fitness, wellness & spa offerings, as well as the club's swimming pool.

According to the newly appointed Director of Golf, Jon Balyeat, demographic research led Quail Creek to design its new Sports Center & Spa to enable blended services for conditioning and skills enhancement, including cross training.

"One of our goals is to differentiate Quail Creek as the best amateur/recreational player-support club in the area for the growing retirement market," Balyeat said. "By interfacing our sports and fitness/wellness operations under one roof, we can help our members reach their ultimate healthy lifestyle and competitive goals. This cutting-edge approach is unique in country club settings."

A complete refurbishment of the club's tennis facility will result in 10 tennis courts, an exhibition court and four pickleball courts. Three bocce courts and a croquet court also will be built.

The entire golf, tennis, fitness and leisure operations will be interfaced under the direction of certified physical trainers working in concert with the



Artist rendering of the future Quail Creek Country Club. SUBMITTED

club's PGA, LPGA and USPTA instructors.

Under the watchful eye of Director of Golf Jon Balyeat, and newly appointed Director of Racquet Sports, Jose Pastrello, the pro shop will have a 180-degree viewing access of the range and tennis courts to facilitate monitoring instruction and fitness.

The interior and exterior of the 56,000-square-foot clubhouse at Quail Creek Country Club will also be updated as part of the project, including a new Club entry.

In the casual Greenside Grille, 2018 Chef of the Year, Executive Chef Scott Ross, has designed an expanded kitchen and commissary, plus a wine room that will double as a private dining

room.

"We are taking a holistic approach to the health and longevity of our members so they can play better and longer at whatever sport or activity they choose," said Jim Clayton, president of the Board of Directors. "At the same time, we will continue to serve as the hub for members' social interactions and friendships. Our mission is keenly focused on addressing the 'whole person' – physical, mental and social."

Quail Creek's two Arthur Hills 18-hole championship golf courses have undergone extensive renovations over the past six years and has hosted the Florida Women's Open and Senior Open.

Golf Membership is capped at 480, so members can always get a tee time. The two golf courses will not be impacted by construction elsewhere on the site.

Residency is not required to become a member of Quail Creek Country Club. In fact, over two-thirds of the members live outside the community gates.

"The club is active year round, with over 40 percent of the members residing in the Naples area more than nine months of the year," said Hunter. "In addition, family activities and junior golf and tennis programs are active throughout the year."

For additional information about the renovation project or membership opportunities, visit quailcreekcc.com.