

JACK NICKLAUS AND NICKLAUS DESIGN TO OVERSEE RENOVATION OF GREAT WATERS COURSE AT REYNOLDS LAKE OCONEE

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Greensboro, **Georgia** (Nov. 28, 2017) – Great Waters, the highly-acclaimed Jack Nicklaus Signature Course at Reynolds Lake Oconee, will undergo a total renovation starting in June 2018, and will involve personal input from Mr. Nicklaus and oversight from his award-winning Nicklaus Design Team. The Great Waters renovation will be led by Design Associate Chad Goetz, who has been with Nicklaus Design for 18 years and is one of the few designers in the world who has earned membership into both the American Society of Golf Course Architects and European Institute of Golf Course Architects.

Perennially ranked among America's Greatest 100 Public Courses by *Golf Digest*, Great Waters—which celebrates its 27th anniversary this year—will receive a total turf replacement, new greens, bunkers, tees, water features, and irrigation systems, as well as cart path replacement. Drainage and other elements of the course's infrastructure, plus an assessment of the trees, and the practice facility are included in this comprehensive reinvention of the community's premier golf course. The Nicklaus layout has stood the test of time and will remain loyal to the original design.

Work is to begin in June 2018 with an expected re-opening in Fall 2019. This restoration is the latest in an ever-widening list of improvements made to the golf courses, clubhouses and other facilities since MetLife's investment in Reynolds Lake Oconee in 2012.

"Our desire is to keep the course true to Mr. Nicklaus's original vision while modernizing the course where appropriate - and prudent - and adding length where available," said Rabun Neal, president of Revnolds Lake Oconee.

Great Waters is a dramatic layout that offers some of the most breathtaking golf scenery in the Southeast. The parkland-style front nine plays over rolling hills and through thick forest, with water in play on six holes, most notably the par-4 fifth, where a creek crisscrosses the fairway and cuts in front of the green; a stone wall and the Nicklaus Bridge add to the hole's splendor. The gorgeous ninth is the first of the lake holes, the water edging in along the right side of the green.

The back nine is a completely different experience, as the final eight holes are on Lake Oconee. Playing on the lake-encircled peninsula, the back-nine holes include the short par-4 11th, where the green juts into the lake, causing left-side hole locations to make the flagstick appear to be floating. The par-3 14th is one of the most photographed holes in the Southeast, its green sitting along the Lake Oconee shoreline.

"The first time I went to Reynolds, I knew we had the potential to have a great golf course," says Nicklaus. "I think we found it then, and now more than a quarter of a century later, a wonderful golf experience remains but is in need of a little updating. It's one of the really great pieces of property with which I have ever had the experience to work."

Already recognized among the "25 Best Golf Communities in North America" by *GOLF Magazine*, Reynolds Lake Oconee is not only fine-tuning one of its world-class golf courses, but is enhancing its long-established reputation as an outstanding place to live.

Reynolds Lake Oconee has 117 holes of golf, all designed by legendary golf architects, including Nicklaus, Rees Jones and Tom Fazio. In addition to golf, the Reynolds community offers a wide array of recreational opportunities along the more than 350 miles of Lake Oconee shoreline.

Vacation guests at Reynolds can choose from individual cottages within the private gates, while enjoying a variety of amenities. Accommodations also are available at The Ritz-Carlton. A variety of vacation packages are available.

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Nicklaus Design, the global golf course design firm founded by golf legend Jack Nicklaus, is widely regarded as the world's leading design firm. With a philosophy of working closely with clients, enhancing the natural environment, and creating courses that are both challenging and enjoyable for players of all levels, the company has 415 courses open for play in 45 countries and 39 states. Of those golf courses, Jack Nicklaus has been involved in the design of nearly 300 courses.

At least 70 Nicklaus Design courses have been ranked in various national or international Top-100 lists by major industry publications like *Golf Digest, Golfweek, GOLF Magazine*, and *Travel & Leisure Golf*. In 2016, *Golf Digest* recognized 45 Nicklaus Design layouts on its list of the Best Golf Courses in 206 Countries. In the United States, *GOLF Magazine* counts three Nicklaus Design courses on its list of the Top 100 Courses for 2017-18.

More than 145 Nicklaus Design courses have staged over 900 professional golf tournaments worldwide or significant national amateur championships, including events on the PGA TOUR, the PGA TOUR Champions, the LPGA Tour and the Web.com Tour, among others. Nicklaus Design has more courses on the 2018-2019 PGA TOUR than any other firm, including TOUR stops to Muirfield Village Golf Club for the Memorial Tournament presented by Nationwide and the Champion Course at PGA National Resort & Spa for The Honda Classic.

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