

HALE IRWIN DESIGNING NEW GOLF COURSE AT GLACIER CLUB

Opening in Spring 2016, will give club a total of 36 holes



DURANGO, COLO. (March 24, 2015) – Legendary Colorado golf champion Hale Irwin, now in his 30th year as an award-winning course designer, is working on a new golf course at Glacier Club, which will give the luxurious Rocky Mountain golf community 36 holes by the spring of 2016.

Irwin, who founded Hale Irwin Golf Design in 1986, is co-designing the project with golf architect Todd Schoeder (iCon Golf Studios), a long-time friend and associate. The new Hale Irwin – Todd Schoeder Signature Design will be known as the Glacier Course. Situated in a dense forest of Ponderosa pines, at an elevation of 8,000 feet, the landscape features dramatic elevation changes, rock outcroppings, and stunning vistas.

"The views are absolutely spectacular," Irwin said of the site for the new course at Glacier Club, an exclusive mountain sanctuary near Durango. "There's not one bad look anywhere. In the design process we wanted to make every hole a painting – each uniquely different, and pleasing to the eye. At Glacier Club we've had this great canvas on which to paint a beautiful golf course."

Glacier Club currently features three nine-hole golf courses that are under renovation, each offering something unique in level of difficulty, scenery, and views. The Glacier Course will feature a new out-and-back routing that will play to par 72, between 5,000 and 7,100 yards.

"When the nines are combined, you will have some flatter shots on the new nine," Irwin said. "We have made some of the uphill and downhill shots more friendly. But for the most part, it's hilly. I think we've made something that is uniquely different. It's beautiful. Once we get it grassed, I think people are going to be awe-struck with what's out there."

The Glacier Course will be private, reserved for only Glacier Club members and their guests while the original Art Hills Signature Course will become a resort course, available for daily play.

Situated in nearly 1,000 acres beneath the San Juan mountain range and a neighboring three million acres of national forest, Glacier Club is building some of the country's premier residential property. Homes range from 1,200 square feet to more than 6,500 square feet, on half-acre to 2.5-acre sites. The community offers abundant four-season amenities and activities—many designed with families in mind—all in a setting reflective of the unpretentious Western lifestyle.

Irwin and his son Steve are actively involved in the design business with more than 30 courses in their portfolio. Benefiting from Hale's 40-year career and Steve's comprehensive knowledge of the game and business of golf, the Irwins are known for a design style that fits the heritage of the land and an uncompromised attention to detail.

"We firmly believe that designing a golf course is not about building a monument to yourself," said Irwin, a World Golf Hall of Fame inductee. "It is about doing what is right for the project, right for the land, and right for the game of golf."

More information about Glacier Club is available by calling 888-382-7888, or 970-382-6700, as well at <u>www.theglacierclub.com</u>

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About Glacier Club

The Glacier Club community is an exclusive mountain sanctuary that combines real mountains, real people and real value, united in a thriving residential and member partnership. As the only private golf community just outside the historic and colorful town of Durango, Colorado, The Glacier club caters to all ages with amenities and activities throughout the seasons. Situated in the majestic San Juan Mountains, each resident's backyard is 1,000 acres of gated serenity surrounded by nearly 3 million acres of National Forest, offering some of the most unique and extraordinary residential property in the entire country. Membership in the Glacier Club includes access to a network of premier golf clubs throughout the United States via <u>ClubCorp</u> Learn more about this very special golf community, memberships, amenities and lifestyle at (866) 521-8575 or <u>info@theglacierclub.com</u>

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