



Shooting Star™ Course and Clubhouse to Open in July



Shooting Star™ Clubhouse as viewed from the 18th Green

In Wyoming, because of the challenging winters, most construction projects tend to take longer than planned. At Shooting Star™, the golf course, under the able supervision of Golf Course Manager, Bill Shrum, was completed last fall two weeks ahead of schedule and will finish growing in this spring, in time for a July 1st opening.

Management's goal was to have the clubhouse ready as close to that date as possible. When John Resor, head of the development team, hired the clubhouse general contractor, G.E. Johnson, he told them he wanted to open the clubhouse in July and was willing to pay them a bonus if they could meet that deadline. After eleven months of pre-construction meetings, G.E. Johnson agreed and began work on the project in March of last year when final building permits were secured. Nevertheless, Resor did not want to overpromise a July opening to Shooting Star™'s members and said only that the pro shop would be ready to go in July and that they shouldn't expect the clubhouse to be ready until mid to late August.

Several weeks ago Resor was approached by G.E. Johnson's Senior Project Engineer, Jason Berning, who asked if he and his fiancé, Jackson local Evan Simms, could get married at Shooting Star™ on July 18. Berning has been a driving force at keeping the

THE SHOOTING STAR™ TEAM

GOLF COURSE DESIGNER: Tom Fazio
 CLUBHOUSE DESIGNER: Hart Howerton
 CLUBHOUSE INTERIOR: BraytonHughes Design Studios
 GOLF COURSE CONSTRUCTION: Oliphant Golf
 GOLF GENERAL MANAGER: Mark Aulerich
 GOLF COURSE MANAGER: Bill Shrum
 CLUBHOUSE CONSTRUCTION: GE Johnson
 CLUBHOUSE OWNER REP: Zaist Construction
 GOLF CABINS CONSTRUCTION: Big D Signature
 GOLF CABINS OWNER REP: Scott Bancroft
 HORIZONTAL CONSTRUCTION: C&W Excavation

project on schedule, and Resor felt that if Berning was willing to schedule his wedding at Shooting Star™ in July, he should feel confident telling members that the clubhouse would open earlier than anticipated.

This week Shooting Star™ is in the process of scheduling two events — one in July and one

in August — with the course's world renowned architect, Tom Fazio, where Tom and his wife, Sue, can meet new members.

"The successful completion of the clubhouse," said John Resor, "will be due to the team work and experience of our design and construction teams and oversight by our GM, Mark

Aulerich, our horizontal construction manager, George Webster, and our owner's rep, Stan Zaist."

Two leaders in their fields — Hart Howerton and BraytonHughes Design Studios — are behind the design and interior décor of the Shooting Star™ clubhouse. The two firms have worked together on several other projects, including the Santa Lucia Preserve in Carmel, Vaquero outside Dallas, Kukio at Kona, Mirabell in Scottsdale, and the Canyons at Big Horn in Palm Desert.

With its reclaimed poplar siding and Douglas fir timbers, the Shooting Star™ clubhouse will have a rustic Western appearance that ties into the development's ranching roots. Inside the clubhouse will be a variety of amenities for golf club members and visitors. In addition to spacious locker rooms, the clubhouse will have world-class fitness and spa facilities. These will include a second-floor workout room where members can use a treadmill or an elliptical trainer while enjoying incredible Teton views, a Pilates and yoga room with southwest views extending for miles, and seven spa treatment rooms. A restaurant on the first floor will have cozy booth seating, a fireplace, a bar, and views of the 10th hole.

Outside the main clubhouse will be an activities barn which will host special events as well as children's entertainment. There will be a computer area where kids can play games and do their homework. The barn also will have a big-screen television for movie nights. The social lawn includes a fire pit and will be used for outdoor receptions, croquet and other games.

The centerpiece of Shooting Star™ is the golf course. Asking Tom Fazio to design it was a given for the development's owners.

"When we began this project eight years ago, we interviewed over 150 golfers," Resor said. "Tom Fazio was the architect of choice for 95 percent of the golfers interviewed."

Right now, the snow cover hints at what the course will become next winter and beyond: a Nordic ski area with groomed tracks for classic and skate styles. Well-traveled golfers who step out onto the greens in July and take their first swings against the

Tetons backdrop might notice a similarity between Shooting Star™ and Shadow Creek, a course Fazio designed outside Las Vegas.

"Both courses were built on what were originally flat pieces of ground with no trees," Resor said. "Now both have creeks, thousands of trees and rolling terrain with dramatic changes in elevation."

Just as the golf course and clubhouse are the products of top designers, so, too, are the Cabins at Shooting Star™. The architect is Paul Bertelli of JLF & Associates, the Montana firm founded by Jonathan Foote. The 18 Cabins feature moss rock, frontier stone, and reclaimed timbers from old barns. All Cabins have three bedrooms and 3.5 baths, and 13 of the Cabins have a bonus room that could be used as a fourth bedroom. So far, 17 of the Cabins are under contract.

For information on Shooting Star™, please contact an associate at Sotheby's International Realty, 307-733-9009, or contact John Resor directly, 307-739-8062 or John.Resor@SothebysHomes.com.



View of the 14th Green from the fairway bunkers



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