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Fripp Island Golf & Beach Resort Completes Multi-Million Dollar Ocean Point Golf Links Renovation

The modernized Dye Designs layout is now open

FRIPP ISLAND, S.C. – <u>Fripp Island Golf & Beach Resort</u> today announced the completion of an extensive multi-million dollar renovation of its acclaimed Ocean Point golf course, led by the <u>Dye</u>

<u>Designs Group</u> (DDG) to modernize the original George Cobb layout. The course is now reopen for member and Resort guest play.

Since opening in 1964, Ocean Point Golf Links has long stood out as a premier seaside course, featuring five holes with unobstructed views of the Atlantic Ocean and celebrated for its small, well-bunkered greens and sweeping Lowcountry vistas. To deliver an elevated playing experience, every hole on the course was given a significant design upgrade. The result has dramatically improved the visual appeal and playing experience, further elevating its attraction for members of the Fripp Island Club and stay-and-play Resort guests.

The completed vision of acclaimed mother-son architect team, Cynthia Dye McGarey and Matt McGarey involved the reshaping of more than 50 bunkers, including adding 11 new greenside bunkers. DDG also incorporated new fairway bunkers, added 5.5 acres of waste area, and added and or leveled multiple tee boxes and constructed native dunes to increase both play and visual appeal for members and Resort guests alike.

The final phase of the renovation will see more than 13,000 native plants added to the course - a testament to both the Resort's and DDG's commitment to sustainable course design, a key driver in the selection of DDG for the project.

The completion of the renovation marks another milestone for Seascape Hospitality Group since its purchase of the Fripp Island Golf & Beach Resort in 2023.

"We are delighted to work with the world-renowned Dye Designs Group team to bring our shared vision for Ocean Point to life," says John Scappatura, Chief Operating Officer of Fripp Island Golf & Beach Resort. "The end result has exceeded our expectations and we are confident that our members and guests will enjoy this refreshed layout that offers a fun and rewarding experience through our beautiful Lowcountry surroundings."

"Ocean Point epitomizes the best of the Lowcountry golf, something my family knows well," says Matt McGarey, senior design associate, Dye Designs Group. "We enjoyed partnering with the Fripp Island Resort to bring about a more modern playing experience that capitalizes on the unique Lowcountry elements - all with an eye toward the intent of Mr. Cobb's original design."

Golf Course Services, Inc., a leader in golf course construction and maintenance, served as construction partner on the project. Since its founding, Golf Course Services, Inc has constructed some of the finest resorts, public, private and municipal golf courses and facilities in the Southeast and collaborated with architects such as Tom Fazio, Jack Nicklaus, Rees Jones and Greg Norman.

Ocean Point was recently named one of the <u>Best Classic Courses in South Carolina for 2024</u> by the members of the SC Golf Course Ratings Panel. The refreshed layout further capitalizes on the

stunning coastline of the island, which was already named a top five golf course in South Carolina by GolfPass.

The Fripp Island Golf & Beach Club Resort is also home to the Davis Love III designed Ocean Creek course, host of the Big South Men's and Women's golf championships. The course features a modern design, with five holes edged by marsh, and another six holes incorporating interior wetlands, preserved and connected to the course through a network of wooden walkways and bridges.

Fripp Island is the perfect destination to play golf, family style. Resort guests can explore the best of Fripp Island with the stay-and-play service, combining a diverse selection of vacation rentals with premier Lowcountry golf on both courses. In addition to great golf, guests enjoy full access to all Resort amenities, including restaurants, bars, pools, marina, tennis/pickleball courts and equestrian facilities. Packages can be booked by calling the Resort at 843-838-1507 or by visiting <u>FrippIslandResort.com</u>.

About Fripp Island Golf & Beach Resort

Located on a private barrier island just outside historic Beaufort, S.C., the Fripp Island Golf & Beach Resort is not your typical island destination. Adventurous by nature, the Resort boasts amenities and programming for everyone - making it the ultimate island getaway. The Resort features more than three miles of uninterrupted pristine coastline, numerous beach walkways for convenient access, a golf-cart and pet-friendly culture with world-class amenities including two 18-hole golf courses, six pickleball and eight clay tennis courts, a 62-slip marina, and <u>Camelot Farms Equestrian Center</u>, a full-service 62-acre farm just 10 miles down the road. Explore the island by bike or golf cart, and observe more than 180 species of birds that earned the Island a designation as an Important Bird Area by the National Audubon Society. Connect with the Resort on <u>Facebook and Instagram</u> or visit <u>FrippIslandResort.com</u> to book your next island adventure.

About Dye Designs Group

Since 1922, the Dye family of golf course architects has designed, built, and renovated more than 250 golf courses worldwide, spanning 28 countries and five continents. The Dye family of experienced golf course architects is a leader and innovator in sustainable golf course design and construction. Cynthia has more than 45 years of experience as a golf course architect plying her trade worldwide and is a full member of the American Society of Golf Course Architects.

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