

Here's Your Guide To Brunswick's Bountiful Golf Action

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Although the front nine was opened last summer, this is the course's first full year of operation.

The Willard Byrd layout features bunkers that flank the sloping landing areas on par fours and fives, putting an emphasis on placement rather than distance.

The green are large and undulating, which places a premium on approach shots and putting. An island green at the 15th hole highlights Brunswick's back nine.

Brunswick Plantation is located on U.S. 17 about three miles north of the South Carolina state line.

Carolina Shores

If you come to the beach, you have to expect to get some sand between your toes. Carolina Shores Golf & Country Club won't let you down.

The Calabash course features an intimidating 96 sand traps. Combined with fresh water lakes, Carolina Shores is a challenging but fun layout at 6,757 yards.

South Carolina architect Tom Jackson designed the par-72 course, which boasts lush fairways carved from tall pines. A large residential community surrounds the course.

Fox Squirrel

Located in the heart of Boiling Spring Lakes, Fox Squirrel Country Club combines water, mounded fairways, sand traps and receptive greens.

Aggressive golfers will find several holes that reward well-placed drives with opportunities for birdies and eagles. The Bermuda grass fairways are carved around huge freshwater lakes and towering long leaf pines.

This 6,272-yard layout got its name from its inhabitants—the large, furry fox squirrels that often dart across fairways into the trees.

The Gauntlet

Golfers interested in a coastal course with a different look may want to check out The Gauntlet at St. James Plantation.

The 7,068-yard layout differs from most coastal courses but still offers views of salt marshes, thick woodlands and the inland waterway and ocean.

The Gauntlet, located three miles from Southport on N.C. 211, is an unmistakable creation of renowned architect P.B. Dye and features his typical blend of imagination and fiendishness.

Golfers can expect undulating fairways and greens, startling elevation changes and an outstanding finishing hole. The course received favorable mention in the Golf Digest "Best New Public Course" survey in January.

Lockwood Golf Links

Located along the scenic Lockwood Folly River and Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway, Lockwood Golf Links offers some of the most spectacular scenery you'll find at a championship golf course.

Towering oaks and tranquil ponds and lagoons frame the 6,800-yard Willard Byrd creation. Lockwood provides a stern test from the

blue tees, and the white tees also offer a great challenge at 6,200 yards.

Tight fairways and water hazards place a premium on accuracy of tee shots and approaches. In 1988, the Holden Beach area layout was nominated as the best new course by *Golf Digest*.

Lion's Paw

Lion's Paw Golf Links is one of the area's newest course, opening in the summer of 1991. Another Byrd design, the 7,003-yard layout features rolling terrain and dramatic elevations.

The ruggedly beautiful course has several memorable par threes and an interesting combination of woods and water. Lion's Paw is located just a few miles from Sunset Beach on N.C. 904.

Marsh Harbour

A Dan Maples creation, Marsh Harbour Golf Links at Calabash has been highly regarded since it opened a decade ago.

The golf course is set on property that offers a unique combination of elevated ground bordered by low-lying marsh. Massive oaks draped with Spanish moss line the fairways, and the course offers a num-
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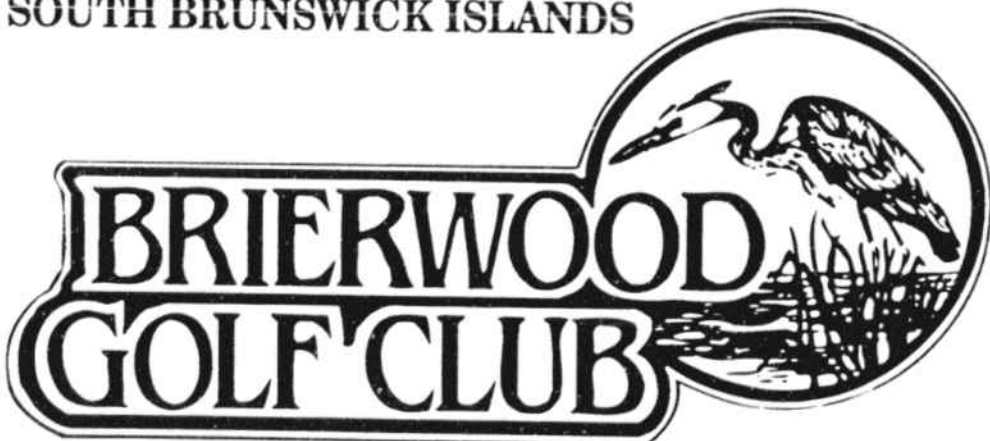
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