



Quail Ridge Country Club History Timeline



- In 1955, Carleton Blunt, a prominent Chicago attorney, purchased more than 1,000 acres of land northwest of Delray Beach. His vision was to build a golf course community. This land today is the site of Delray Dunes and the south half of Quail Ridge Country Club.
- In 1964, Blunt hired fellow Dartmouth alum John B. Dodge to be his club manager at Delray Dunes. By 1972, Dodge was ready to start his own developing. With a group of investors, he purchased the property north of Golf Road from Blunt, and that property today is Quail Ridge Country Club.
- Quail Ridge is named after all the quail which lived among the wildlife on the land.
- Quail Ridge was originally designed to become a major tennis facility. But Dodge soon learned the tennis growth of the 1960s and early 1970s had sagged, and the majority of buyers wanted golf. So Dodge hired prominent architect Joe Lee.
- South Course opened for play in January 1974.
- The Quail Ridge Tennis Club was built in 1974; Hall of Fame tennis pro Gardner Malloy was the first Tennis Director. Fred Fleming took over in 1977 and in 2000, Scott Fleming, Fred's son, took charge.
- The original clubhouse opened in January, 1975.
- In 1976, Dodge bought additional property north of Woolbright Road for a second golf course.
- North Course opened Nov. 1, 1977.
- The first cart barn and bag storage was built in 1977, a year before the expanded clubhouse was finished.
- On July 1, 1981 the membership took over Quail Ridge.
- The first clubhouse renovation was done in 1990, with another renovation in 2000-2001.
- In 1998, Quail Ridge became the Society of Seniors headquarters. The Society of Seniors – an elite national organization for top amateurs who are serious about their golf -- was founded by former Quail Ridge members Ed Tutwiler, Ralph Bogart and Dale Morey in 1983.
- The acclaimed South Course was renovated in 2005 and 2010.
- In 2006, Quail Ridge became a Certified Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary; Quail Ridge has a Garden Club with more than 100 members to assist Quail Ridge's Horticulturist, Sathena Cabler, who has been with the club since 1972, and the club's landscaping crew.