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Georgia Golf Hole Judged Most Beautifully Brutal™

JOHNSTON, Iowa – November 25, 2008 – The 569-yard, par 5, twelfth Hole at The Creek Club at Reynolds Plantation Course, Greensboro, Ga., has been selected as one of the winners of the John Deere Credit search for the 18 Most Beautifully Brutal Golf Holes™ in North America.

The Creek Club hole was chosen from entries throughout the U.S. and Canada (excluding Quebec) by a panel of judges that includes Jeff Babineau, editor of *Golfweek*; Pat Roberts, publisher of *Golfdom*; Joe Passov, architecture editor for *Golf* magazine; and Gary Van Sickle, golf editor for *Sports Illustrated*. The judges rated each entry on the basis of the hole's beauty as well as its difficulty.

Described by Van Sickle as "trouble at every turn," The Creek Club hole features an intimidating series of "muscle bunkers," a fairway split by a creek and a green with four distinct, undulating bowls.

"This is visually arresting, risk-reward golf at its finest," says Passov. "Frustration might well set in for many golfers, but there is sheer joy to be had in overcoming the obstacles."

"The twelfth hole at The Creek Club at Reynolds Plantation offers an outstanding example of how dedicated course owners, builders, architects and superintendents create and maintain holes that golfers talk about the entire year," says Steve Knutson, Director of golf leasing for John Deere Credit.

"John Deere Credit is proud to recognize these efforts and to provide golf courses throughout North America with equipment and lease products that help them keep courses beautiful and brutal," Knutson adds.

Georgia Turf & Tractor, with locations in Alpharetta and Tifton, Ga. and Pelham, Ala. is trusted with providing the equipment needed to maintain beautifully brutal golf holes in Georgia and portions of Alabama.

John Deere Golf distributors can arrange demonstrations of equipment that will help golf courses maintain Beautifully Brutal Golf Holes. To find your local John Deere Golf or Consumer & Commercial Equipment distributor call 1-800 537-8233 or visit www.JohnDeere.com/Golf.

Photos and descriptions of the twelfth hole at The Creek Club at Reynolds Plantation, the 17 other winning holes, and all holes entered can be seen at www.JohnDeereCredit.com/brutalgolfholes. The 18 winning holes also will be showcased in a keepsake calendar that will be distributed to golf course superintendents throughout the U.S. and Canada.

About John Deere Credit

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