

“If we are to preserve the integrity of golf as left to us by our forefathers, it is up to all of us to carry on the true spirit of the game.” —BEN CRENSHAW



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The Next Chapter Begins

“When it’s well done, it looks so simple.”
—Bill Coore, golf course architect

BOLTON, MASSACHUSETTS (outside Boston): As New England’s only 36-hole private golf club, The International is a high-profile facility in the bastion of some of America’s finest designs. Both of its courses, the Oaks (designed by Tom Fazio, remodeled by Tripp Davis) and Pines (designed by Coore & Crenshaw), have undergone significant renovations since Escalante Golf purchased the club five years ago.

The Oaks features championship bentgrass fairways framed by expansive waste areas that create both visual scale and strategic challenge. It blends high-level conditioning with a classic New England look and rewards precision while remaining playable for members across different skill levels.

The Pines, formerly a par-73 stretching beyond 8,000 yards, has been transformed by Bill Coore and Ben Crenshaw into a par-71 that now plays just over 7,100 yards from the tips. Firm fine-fescue fairways define the experience, allowing the golf ball to release and run and encouraging a true ground game. Strategy is shaped by angles, contours, and wind as much as distance, and the course can play differently depending on conditions.

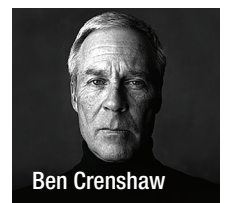


“Both were hands-on during construction. I distinctly remember the moment my cell phone rang with an incoming call from Mr. Coore,” described Michael Galvin, general manager. “He was out personally shaping a fairway and ran out of gas. I hurriedly drove out a petrol container. Upon reaching him, he was covered in dust from a day on the job. As a former superintendent, I appreciate those who get their hands dirty and grit under their fingernails.” ■

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Did you know? Ben Crenshaw is affectionately nicknamed “Gentle Ben” (often confused with “Gentle Giant”) for his calm demeanor and smooth putting style. A two-time Masters champion, his reputation stems from a soft touch on the greens and a respectful, traditional approach to the game, rather than immense physical size.

“Bill and Ben’s reputation is sterling. Combining their classically inspired architecture with firm and fast course conditioning creates a playing experience that requires both creativity and skilled shot-making. This throwback to option-oriented golf begins a new chapter in The International’s 125-year history. It’s an ideal match for our overall vision of creating a place where the game is celebrated.” —JEFF KINDRED, COO AT ESCALANTE GOLF



Ben Crenshaw