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AIRWAY MEADOWS NAMED “COURSE OF THE YEAR”
BY THE NEW YORK GOLF COURSE OWNERS ASSOCIATION

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Stony Brook, NY – NYGCOA president Ray Holohan announced the selection of Airway Meadows Golf Course as 2005 Course of the Year. Airway Meadows, located in Gansevoort, is owned and operated by Joan and James Heber. About ten years ago the Hebers took the family beef cattle farm and their small public airport and with the use of their primary business, Heber Excavating, created a beautiful 18 hole golf course and clubhouse. What makes Airway Meadows unique is the airport runway between the second and eighth fairways. The airfield is home to Saratoga Skydiving and golfers are treated to an occasional parachutist landing at the eighth hole dogleg. A recent addition is the “Tunnel of Love” that goes under the runway allowing golfers a shorter distance between holes.

The Hebers love of agriculture is evident everywhere on the property. Ponds, creeks, ravines, covered bridges are beautifully enhanced by natural and planted flora. Mr. Holohan said, “Choosing Airway Meadows for 2005 course of the year was easy. Joan and James operate an outstanding golf facility, but beyond that they have created something very special, a true New York State treasure.”

Mr. and Mrs. Heber will be recognized at the National Golf Course Owners Association conference in Atlanta, Georgia at the awards luncheon February 8, 2006.

Mr. Holohan, owner of Middle Island Country Club of Long Island, will present the Hebers with a award at the first NYGCOA meeting in the spring of 2006.

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