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FORESTNEWS

Carberry Knoll and the Home Owner Behind the Name

Eighth in a series of articles on the history of
Del Monte Forest by **Neal Hotelling**



Carberry Plane - Photo courtesy of the Carberry Family

One of the lesser known place names on 17-Mile Drive is Carberry Knoll. The name was known by artist Jo Mora, who called it out on his 17-Mile Drive carte, one of the sources cited by the late Professor Clark, in **Monterey County Place Names**. Professor Clark, however, provided little detail on the source of the name, stating only, "A hill in Del Monte Forest. Named for a landowner." Clark cites the earliest use on a 1928 map of Pebble Beach produced by R.V. Carey showing it as, "31+ acres on the S side of Sunridge Road." More specifically, Carberry Knoll is on the south side of Sunridge Road westerly from its intersection with Mora Lane.

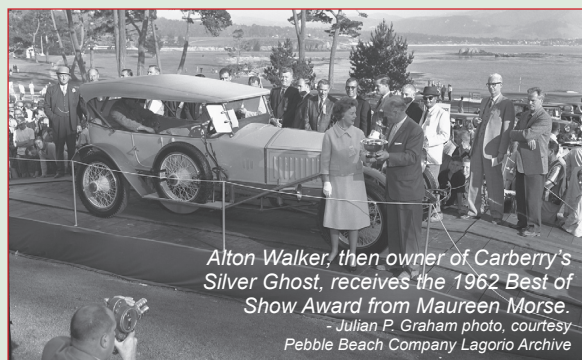
The story behind the name is actually quite interesting. Artist Jo Mora, who also called out Carberry Knoll on his 17-Mile Drive carte, likely knew Lord John Carbery, the early DMF home owner who sold his family castle in County Cork, Ireland and built a home at Pebble Beach. John Evans-Freke (1892-1970), the 10th Lord Carbery, became known as John Evans Carberry (adding an "r") upon coming to America.

John's 9-greats grandfather, Robert Freke, was auditor of the treasury under both Henry VIII and Elizabeth I of England. Robert's eldest son, William, moved to Ireland, purchased Rathbarry Castle on an 1100-acre estate in 1641 and renamed it Castle Freke. This was the ancestral family estate where John was later raised.

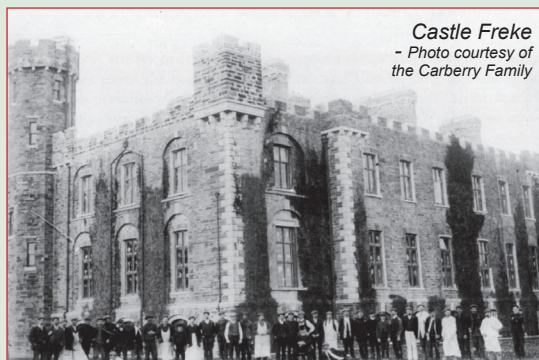
John's 3-greats grandmother, Grace Freke married John Evans, the 2nd son of the first Baron of Carbery. Their grandson, John Evans-Freke became the 6th Baron Carbery on the death of his father's cousin in 1807. With the old castle in disrepair, he built a new Castle Freke on the estate. The grand palace included a magnificent hall, a 75 x 30 foot saloon, 21 bedrooms and several apartments. A few generations later, John was just two years old, when his father, Algernon, became the 9th Baron Carbery, and then ascended to Baron himself at age six when his father died at age 29.

John lived a life of privilege at a time when the world was advancing quickly. He loved his cars and his airplanes, ordering a custom Rolls Royce Silver Ghost in 1913, the same year he married José Metcalf, whom he met on the slopes at St. Moritz. He was

an accomplished pilot, but made headlines in the summer of 1914 when he dumped his plane in the English Channel during an air race to Paris and back. When Great Britain entered WWI,



Alton Walker, then owner of Carberry's
Silver Ghost, receives the 1962 Best of
Show Award from Maureen Morse.
- Julian P. Graham photo, courtesy
Pebble Beach Company Lagorio Archive



Castle Freke
- Photo courtesy of
the Carberry Family

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DMFPO Seeking a Board Director to Serve in 2013

The Del Monte Forest Property Owners will be accepting nominations for a 2013 vacancy on the Board. Terms are for three years with the option to serve two consecutive terms. Duties include attendance at Board meetings held at 4:00 p.m. the second Monday of each month, Semiannual Meetings, and participation in the annual Roads Survey (see article on page 5). The nomination deadline is September 1, 2012. Please contact Nominations Committee Chair, Julie Conners through the DMFPO office at 373-1618 if you are interested in serving the Forest community through civic leadership.



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Del Monte Forest Foundation Renamed



The Del Monte Forest Foundation board voted in May to rename the organization the ***Del Monte Forest Conservancy***. The new name more clearly reflects the current and

future goals of the organization; to perpetuate, maintain, and enhance the beautiful character of the Forest through ownership of land and oversight of scenic easements.

The Conservancy recently celebrated its 50th year as steward of nearly 700 acres within the Forest. An additional 635 acres of open space easements planned for Pebble Beach Company's expansion will increase the Conservancy's oversight to nearly a quarter of the Del Monte Forest.

The conservancy is a 501(c)3 nonprofit tax exempt organization governed by a board of up to 12 directors, all Del Monte Forest residents. The Board is assisted by independent foresters, environmental consultants and legal counsel to provide the highest level of care for Conservancy properties.

Properties familiar to most residents include S.F.B. Morse Botanical Preserve, Crocker Cypress Grove, Pescadero Canyon, Indian Village, and Pescadero Point. Scenic and conservation easements include Huckleberry Hill Natural Habitat Area, Shepherd's Knoll, Indian Village Annex and beach and dock access at the Beach and Tennis Club. Residents interested in learning more about the Conservancy or wishing to make a donation can visit the new website at:

<http://www.delmonteforestconservancy.org>



View from Carberry Knoll - Photo courtesy of Neal Hotelling

he volunteered, flying his own plane under the Irish Flag and dropping grenades from his open cockpit.

He was a man of the world. In 1915 he bought 650 acres in Kenya, then a British colony, to develop a coffee plantation. He and José accompanied his Rolls Royce to New York in late 1916 for an extended visit. As the war came to an end, John spent more time in Kenya, but José returned to London with their daughter Jo and obtained a divorce in 1919.

That July, John put Castle Freke up for sale and returned to America, intent on obtaining U.S. citizenship. The agent looking after his Rolls Royce put a note in the file dated July 3, 1919: *“Lord Carbery, having taken out naturalization in the United States has relinquished his British title. He should in the future be addressed as John Carbery, Esq.”*

He returned to Kenya where he met Maia Anderson, who had grown up in the colony. She was just 18 when she married John in January 1922. For their honeymoon, news reports indicated they were headed to California *“where Carbery has for some time been contemplating buying an estate at Monterey and building a home.”* They headed east on a steamship, arriving at Seattle on June 5, 1922, with a stated destination of Monterey, California.

It is unclear how Carbery heard about Pebble Beach, but the likely connection was G.M. Heckscher, a New York millionaire that bought Carbery's Rolls Royce. Heckscher was a friend of S.F.B. Morse and an investor in Del Monte.

That summer John and Maia bought 31.765 acres on the hillside overlooking Carmel Bay. The view was reminiscent of his home in Ireland. They were attracted by not only the beauty of the area, but the lifestyle where fine cars and airplanes were common place, and even during prohibition, alcohol


was available. The Carberrys, both pilots, most certainly utilized the airfield that once shared space with the Pebble Beach Equestrian Center. Little is actually known of their life at Pebble Beach, but their home was designed by Mark Daniels (see Oct 2011 *ForestNews*)

Newspaper accounts of the 1920s, however, make it clear John and Maia split their time between Kenya and Pebble Beach and competed in air races around the globe. Current day relatives in London, including daughter Juanita, had no idea he had a home at Pebble Beach; merely that he traveled often from his base in Kenya. At Nairobi, on March 12, 1928, while training a student pilot, Maia's plane crashed and she and the student were killed. Juanita was just a toddler and John was devastated.

John remarried in 1930. Juanita grew up in Kenya while her parents travelled. She was a teenager before she learned June Carberry was not her mother. As late as 1935, when John's daughter Jo married in London, the New York Times referred to him as “John Evans Carberry of Del Monte.” Carberry deeded the property back to the company in 1936.

Reports indicate it briefly became the new site of the gambling parlor – a tradition that had begun with the Canary Cottage that once sat near the old fifth green of Pebble Beach Golf Links. This tradition ended when Jo Mora bought the Carberry home (with less acreage) in 1942. Much of the former Carberry acreage is in the area slated for permanent preservation under the new Del Monte Forest Land Use Plan.

Kenya remained Carberry's home until he died in 1970. In 1941, the Carberrys were linked to the high-profile, unsolved Happy Valley murder of Josslyn Hay, the philandering 22nd Earl of Erroll. It was the subject of the 1983 book and 1987 film, *White Mischief*.

While John Carberry never returned to Pebble Beach, one of his once prized possessions did. His 1913 Rolls Royce Silver Ghost won Best of Show at the 1962 Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance, and returned again when it was sold in the 2006 Pebble Beach auction. 

Semiannual Meeting A "Mini Concours"



The DMFPO Semiannual Meeting was held on Sunday, May 20, 2012 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Ballroom, The Inn at Spanish Bay. Speaker Kandace Hawkinson, Director of Communications for Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance discussed the selection process for marques to be celebrated and designers and engineers recognized for innovation in style and technology. This year's Concours being held August 19th will feature the Maharaja automobiles.

Chris Bock, new Chief Judge and member of the Selection Committee that chooses entrants for the Concours answered questions from the audience. Randi Reed of Antique Auto Restoration, who accompanies the Tour d'Elegance during Concours Week, was on hand to discuss mechanical problems that affect older cars. Classic cars, owned by DMFPO members, were on display for members to view while enjoying refreshments after the meeting.



Flu Shot Clinics Open to the Public

Hosted by **DMFPO** at the
Pebble Beach Community
Services District Board Room

Thursday, October 18th, 2012

Thursday, October 25th, 2012

10:00 a.m. to Noon

Flu shots: \$30

(No charge with Medicare card)

Tetanus, Whooping Cough and

Diphtheria Tdat shots: \$70

(Not covered by Medicare)

Pneumonia shots: \$45

(No charge with Medicare card. This is a one-time shot recommended at age 65)

2012 Calls for Service Crime Report Statistics Beat Area: 6Z-DMF / Pebble Beach

MONTH:	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	YTD	ALL
						2012	2011
False Burglar Alarms							
	26	24	30	30	21	131	248
Disturbing the Peace							
	2	1	2	2	3	10	36
Burglary	1	0	3	3	7	14	32
Thefts	0	2	1	1	1	5	34
Vandalism/Malicious Mischief							
	0	2	4	0	1	7	7
TOTALS	29	29	40	36	33	167	357

Source: Monterey County Sheriff's Office for DMFPO Traffic & Safety Committee

The Del Monte Forest Property Owners (“DMFPO”) board has instituted an annual procedure of personal observation of all Forest roads. The purpose is to identify conditions, which in the directors’ opinion, need attention by the Pebble Beach Company (“PBC”). These deficiencies range from potholes, bad patches, poor surfaces or signage. All roads in the Forest are allocated to our 12 directors to examine at the beginning of each year. Their findings are summarized and jointly inspected by the cognizant DMFPO director and PBC Director of Resource and Facilities to help formulate the road maintenance plan for the upcoming year.

- Bob Hutchison, DMFPO Roads and Land Use Committee Chair

Pebble Beach Company 2012 Road Maintenance Program

by Mark Stilwell, Pebble Beach Company

- Del Monte Forest has approximately 72 miles of roads.
- PBC conducts an annual road survey and prioritizes roads in need of maintenance on a scale of 1 to 3: 1 = roads in good condition; 2 = roads in fair condition that may need repair/patching; 3 = roads in poor condition that need to be repaved in the next 12 months.
- Historically, PBC has spent approximately \$500,000 per year on road maintenance by outside contractors (Pavex, Granite, etc.) or about \$7,000 per mile of road. By comparison, the County of Monterey historically spends about \$2,000 per mile of road.
- Last year, after input from the DMFPO, the Company committed to spend \$950,000 on various road projects, or almost double the historic budget.
- For 2012, again with input from the DMFPO, PBC has committed to spend \$1 million on road maintenance projects.

The planned work, which is subject to change based on utility projects by PBCSD, adverse weather, or other unexpected conditions, includes the following repaving projects to be completed by November 2012:

- **Bonifacio Road**
- **Crest Road**
- **Cortez Road (between Alvarado & Ronda)**
- **Del Ciervo (between 17 Mile Drive & Crespi)**
- **Laurel Road**
- **Ocean Road (between Cormorant & 17 M.D.)**
- **Oxen Trail**
- **Presidio**
- **Spanish Bay Road**
- **Valdez Road**
- **Vaquero Road**

Roads to be patched and slurried:

- **Arrowhead Road**
- **Chaparral Road**

- In recent years, Pebble Beach Community Services District has provided additional funding to repave/repair roads that are damaged as a result of its sewer and water line replacement projects.
- In addition to its annual contractor costs, PBC employs 5 full-time road maintenance employees at an annual cost of \$300,000 per year. This crew handles more routine road maintenance work such as patching, filling potholes, clearing drain lines, etc.
- PBC contact for road condition/maintenance: Shawn Casey, Director of Operation Support, 625-8435. Shawn has been with PBC for 32 years and is the person most knowledgeable about the Forest road system.

Top 10 Reasons to Share Your E-mail Address with DMFPO

1. Convenience!
2. Your information is confidential.
3. Technology is good, right?
4. DMFPO will *never* share your e-mail without your permission.
5. We can send you this newsletter via e-mail.
6. E-mailing information saves funds for uses other than postage.
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