

Michael Holland of Goochland County



Farmington Country Club in Charlottesville, Virginia During 1862

This land was first owned by Michael Holland in 1745 who conveyed it to Charles Lewis.

Holland was a controversial figure in Goochland County accused of murder. Interesting, his defense attorney was none other than Patrick Henry! Henry was an eloquent speaker and reached the hearts of the jurors when he portrayed Holland as an old gentleman who loved his family.

The building that is now the clubhouse was originally a spacious plantation

house with an elongated wing and several guest rooms. It was designed by Thomas Jefferson and completed in 1803.

The octagonal east wing of the clubhouse, constructed in 1802 near the University of Virginia as an addition to a pre-1780 structure, was designed by Thomas Jefferson. In 1929 the facility became an 18-hole golf course.