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This page: LPGA Tour player Brittany Lincicome spent the week of the KPMG Women's PGA Championship exploring New York and proved she has skills off the golf course when she threw out the first pitch at Citi Field when the Mets played the San Francisco Giants. Photo: PGA of America







BY MADDI VETRANO

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KPMG Women's PGA Championship had one mission: **Inspire Greatness. The inaugural** event at Westchester Country Club (formerlytheLPGAChampionship) not only showcased the most talented female golfers in the world, but also took the opportunity to bring together local female professionals and leaders in the industry to host a series of special clinics and events that inspire women and junior golfers toward their own success stories both on and off the golf course. Among the events was a Leadership Summit, keynoted by former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice and Duke Energy President and CEO Lynn Good. They encouraged girls to take on roles as future leaders of industry. Winners of the localDrive, Chip & Puttcontest took part in a press conference and got to meet and interview some top women executives.



Lynn Doughtie, KPMG's first female CEO; Nancy Henderson, LPGA Chief Teaching Officer; Annika Sorenstam, World Golf Hall of Famer and Suzy Whaley, PGA of America Secretary, participated in the Women's Leadership Summit and spent time meeting local Drive, Chip & Putt Winners.



ow that the warm weather looks to be sticking around, we can head North to Vermont to play, where our scores hopefully won't rise along with the altitude.

COURSES

- Stowe Mountain Club Golf Course While you may be familiar with Stowe for the spectacular skiing, you should introduce yourself to its golf course. Recently named one of the 10 best new courses you can play by Golf Magazine, Stowe's golf course combines the grand mountain views of Mount Mansfield with a challenging course carved into Spruce Peak, making for an unforgettable experience.
- 2 Okemo Valley Golf Course Ranked as one of the Best Courses You Can Play and the Best Public Golf Course in Vermont in 2011 by Golf Digest, Okemo offers everything that golfers hope to experience when in Vermont. Accompanying the rolling hills on the outskirts of Okemo State Forest, the course also offers its Family Fore Course, which is a 4-hole course friendly to new golfers learning to play.
- 3 Sugarbush Resort Golf Club This Robert Trent Jones, Sr. designed course is one of the true gems of Vermont golf. Nestled amongst the Northfield mountain range, Sugarbush delivers breathtaking views from every angle, giving you a tremendous center stage when you sink that birdie putt.

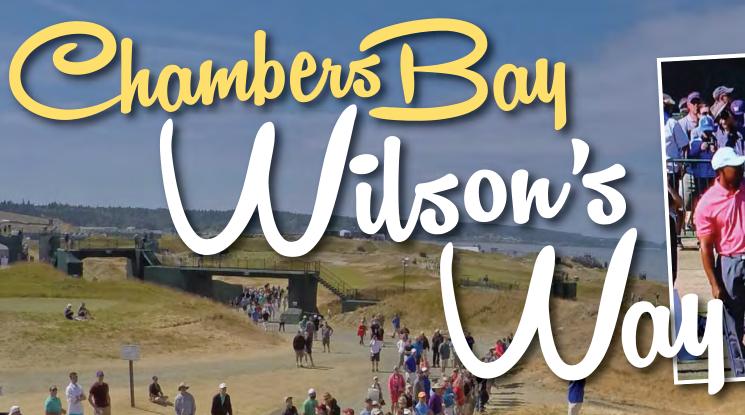
WHERE TO STAY

Stowe Mountain Lodge – Its location alone makes
 Stowe Mountain Lodge the ideal place to stay when
 visiting Vermont. Nestled right into the mountain, this
 rustic resort offers a number of relaxing amenities to
 complement those long days on the course, including a
 world-class spa that features old American Indian
 techniques to rejuvenate your swing

OFF-COURSE

 Ben and Jerry's Factory Tour – With scenic views of ice cream mountains glistening with rivers of hot fudge, you won't want to miss out on this Vermont treat for a behind-the-scenes look at how your favorite flavors are made. It may be smart to bring a spoon, just in case of an emergency.





Among some of the unforgettable experiences for Pat at Chambers Bay were signing autographs for fans and hitting balls right next to Tiger Woods on the range.

2013Met Amateur Champion Pat Wilson of Andover, N.J., played in his first major championship after qualifying for the U.S. Open at Chambers Bay. From playing a practice round with Keegan Bradley, Dustin Johnson and Jason Dufner, playing a hole with Rory McIlroy and hitting balls on the range next to Tiger Woods, Wilson's week at Chambers Bay was filled with excitement. Wilson shared his thoughts on playing his first U.S. Open in what he called an unbelievable experience—check out his behind-thescenes look on mgagolf.org.

Photo: A.J. Voelpel





BY MARK McCORMICK

With just two months before the 100th Met Open, we turn the clocks back four decades to when Martin Bohen captured the 1976 and 1977 Met Open titles.

Bohen, a 6-foot-4 golfer who at the time resided in White Plains, won his first Met Open title in 1976 at Upper Montclair Country Club with a dramatic finish. After missing a birdie putt on the final hole to win, he found himself in a three-hole aggregate playoff. Bohen squared off against UMCC assistant pro Lloyd Monroe, who was vying to become the first club pro to win the Met Open at his own club since 1949, and 1969 Met Open winner Jimmy Wright. It wasn't until the third hole when Bohen, who was a stroke back from Monroe, hammered a 345-yard drive down the middle of the fairway that would set him up 90 yards short of the green. He knocked his shot 25 feet short of the hole, where he would make his putt for birdie and defeat Monroe by a stroke to win his first title as a professional.



With more composure and mental fortitude, Bohen the next year entered the final round at Meadow Brook a stroke behind Tom Ulozas. With difficult hole locations and Meadow Brook's challenging greens, Ulozas fell behind and shot a five-over 77. But Bohen went on to shoot an even-par 72 and defeat Ulozas by four shots to capture the title.

What makes his wins so special is that the former assistant pro at Leewood Golf Club in Eastchester, N.Y. became the first man since 1938 and the fourth player at the time to win the Met Open in consecutive years, joining golf legends Alex Smith, Walter Hagen, and Jimmy Hines. Today, there are just seven players who have accomplished this feat.

Gordon S. White Jr., a New York Times reporter, said the sub-parvictory in three rounds of golf on the difficult Meadow Brook course was a "major achievement."

MGA President Allen DuMont congratulates Bohen.

