

# **U.S. Open Championship & U.S. Women's Open Championship Fact Sheet**

**June 9-22, 2014**

## **Pinehurst Resort & Country Club Pinehurst, NC**

The U.S. Open Championship and U.S. Women's Open Championship will be held at the Pinehurst Resort & Country Club, Pinehurst No. 2 course designed by legendary Donald Ross. This U.S. Open Championship is one of four major international championships held each year along with the Master's, the PGA Championship and the British Open.

In 1999, the USGA conducted its first U.S. Open Championship at Pinehurst's famed No. 2 golf course, and in a dramatic finale the late Payne Stewart sank a 16 foot putt on the 18<sup>th</sup> hole to secure the championship. In 2005, New Zealand's, Michael Campbell, claimed the trophy with a par score of 280..

### **Expected Schedule of Events**

<u>Men's</u>		<u>Women's</u>	
Monday, June 9	Practice Round	Monday, June 16	Practice Round
Tuesday, June 10	Practice Round	Tuesday, June 17	Practice Round
Wednesday, June 11	Practice Round	Wednesday, June 18	Practice Round
Thursday, June 12	1 <sup>st</sup> Championship Round	Thursday, June 19	1 <sup>st</sup> Championship Round
Friday, June 13	2 <sup>nd</sup> Championship Round	Friday, June 20	2 <sup>nd</sup> Championship Round
Saturday, June 14	3 <sup>rd</sup> Championship Round	Saturday, June 21	3 <sup>rd</sup> Championship Round
Sunday, June 15	4 <sup>th</sup> Championship Round	Sunday, June 22	4 <sup>th</sup> Championship Round
Monday, June 16	18 hole playoff (if needed)	Monday, June 23	18 hole playoff (if needed)

### **Expected Television Coverage**

ESPN:	each Thursday and Friday	Times: to be determined
NBC:	each Saturday and Sunday	Times: to be determined

### **Frequently Asked Questions & Answers**

1. *When will tickets be sold for the U.S. Open Championship?*  
The United States Golf Association utilized an application and draw process for ticket allocation, which is normally initiated after the prior year's U.S. Open Championship is completed (in this case late June 2013). The two prior events held in Pinehurst sold out and there no tickets could be purchased at the gate of the championship (except Junior Tickets – see below). Refer to the U.S. Open website, [www.usopen.com](http://www.usopen.com) for more information.

2. *Will Junior Tickets Be Available?* Based on past events these tickets would be available at Will Call. Practice Rounds: Age 13 to 17 cost to be determined. Championship Rounds - Age 13-17 cost to be determined. 12 and younger (based on 2005 policy) will be admitted free of charge on any day they are accompanied by a valid adult ticket holder.
3. *If I'm going to the championship, where can I park?* For the U.S. Open Championship, designated parking lots and shuttle bus services to the course will be available. An extensive transportation system using hundreds of trail signs will be deployed statewide to help assure seamless travel to the Championship. Statewide signage will direct spectators to satellite parking areas.

It's expected that 120+ complimentary shuttle buses will run continuously from 6 am to 8 pm daily, dropping spectators at the Pinehurst Harness Track across from the Championship grounds. State Highway Patrol officers, along with local law enforcement, will be stationed throughout the area to assure safe, smooth traffic flow.

There is no parking available in and around Pinehurst Resort & Country Club or the Village of Pinehurst for the U.S. Open Championship.

4. *Is there Airport Transportation?* Commercial airline service is available via Raleigh-Durham International Airport (RDU), Piedmont Triad International Airport (GSO) and Fayetteville Regional Airport (FAY). The nearby Moore County Airport can accommodate private aircraft up to BACIII, and will provide a hospitality/welcome area for all visitors using that airport.
5. *Can I play golf during my visit to the 2014 U.S. Open Championships? Will other area attractions be open?* YES. Moore County has a number of activities and attractions that will be open and available during the U.S. Open Championships. If you would like to play golf in addition to watching championship golf, there are ample golf courses and tee times available. Information is available at the Convention & Visitors Bureau website: [www.homeofgolf.com](http://www.homeofgolf.com).
6. *Will I have difficulty getting in restaurants during the U.S. Open Championships?* NO. Reservations are required at some restaurants in the Pinehurst, Southern Pines, Aberdeen Area. There are over 150 restaurants, ranging from pubs to eclectic fine dining. Many of these restaurants do not require reservations and based on the 1999 and 2005 U.S. Open Championships, there is expected to be ample availability. However, if you have a large group or need a specific time (early times are popular), it is recommended you call ahead and make a reservation. Check back at [www.homeofgolf.com](http://www.homeofgolf.com) for information on restaurant specials and extended hours.

## **Other Activities**

1. *Calendar of Events* for the weeks of the back to back Open Championships will be available at the CVB's website, [www.homeofgolf.com](http://www.homeofgolf.com), or call the weekly events line at (910) 692-1600.
2. *Shopping* – The Pinehurst, Southern Pines, Aberdeen Area offers exceptional and unique shopping venues throughout the County - from handcrafted pottery produced on the premises of dozens of potters in the central Moore, northern part of the County, to the unique antiques in Cameron and specialty items and collectable. There is something for everyone! Contact the Convention & Visitors Bureau or visit their website, [www.homeofgolf.com](http://www.homeofgolf.com) for more information on shopping.

## **Information about Moore County and the Pinehurst, Southern Pines, Aberdeen Area**

1. *Convention & Visitors Bureau*

The Pinehurst, Southern Pines, Aberdeen Area Convention & Visitors Bureau is an economic development organization and non-profit authority of Moore County, North Carolina. The primary responsibility is to devise strategies for enhancing Moore County's tourism brand value and infrastructure to accommodate the next generation of visitors, thus further stimulating the local economy and enhancing the quality of life for residents and visitors alike. Visit their website [www.homeofgolf.com](http://www.homeofgolf.com) or call 910-692-3330 for more information.

2. *Partners In Progress*

Moore County Partners in Progress is the non-profit, public-private economic development organization for Moore County. Their mission is to enhance investment and job growth in Moore County by assisting existing business and industry with expansion needs, recruiting new businesses to the area, and assisting entrepreneurs to establish new business ventures in the County. Throughout the Open, Partners in Progress will be hosting a hospitality booth at Moore Regional Airport where visitors can ask questions and get information about the area. Visit their website, [www.moorebusiness.org](http://www.moorebusiness.org)

3. *Moore County Chamber of Commerce*

The Moore County Chamber of Commerce is an economic development organization that promotes existing commerce and lifestyles in Pinehurst and Moore County. Visit their website, [www.moorecountychamber.com](http://www.moorecountychamber.com)