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## GCSAA Tournament Fact Sheet

PGA Tour  
 BMW Championship  
 September 1 - 7, 2014

Cherry Hills Country Club  
 Englewood, Colo.

### Golf Course Management Information

#### GCSAA Class A Director of Grounds:

Michael E. Burke

#### Availability to media:

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#### Education:

B.S., Turfgrass Management,  
 Pennsylvania State University, State  
 College, Pa., 1992

#### Years as a GCSAA member: 21

#### GCSAA affiliated chapter:

Rocky Mountain Golf Course  
 Superintendents Association

#### Years at this course: 19

#### Number of maintenance employees: 34

#### Number of tournament volunteers: 20

#### Previous positions:

1989-1994, Crew Leader/Assistant  
 Superintendent, Castle Pines Golf Club,  
 Castle Rock, Colo.

#### Previous tournament preparation:

2005 U.S. Women's Open, Cherry Hills  
 Country Club, Englewood, Colo.; 2012  
 U.S. Amateur, Cherry Hills Country  
 Club, Englewood, Colo.; 1989-1994 The  
 International, Castle Pines Golf Club,  
 Castle Rock, Colo.

#### Previous tournaments hosted by facility:

1938, 1960, 1978 U.S. Open; 1941,  
 1986 PGA Championship; 1993 U.S.  
 Senior Open; 2005 U.S. Women's  
 Open; 1990, 2012 U.S. Amateur

### Course statistics

Average tee size: 1,000 sq. ft.

Tournament Stimpeter: 11.5 ft.

Average green size: 4,700 sq. ft.

Green construction soil mix:

Native sandy soil push-up

Rounds per year: 28,000

Acres of fairway: 30

Source of water:

Pond, lake, well, city water, creek

Acres of rough: 120

Drainage conditions: Fair

Sand bunkers: 82

Water hazards: 4

### Course ratings

	Yardage	Par	Rating	Slope
Red	7400	72	74.7	139
Black	7023	72	73.4	135
Blue	6700	72	71.8	134
White	6300	72	70.5	131
Green	5800	72	73.2	140

### Course characteristics

	Primary Grasses	Height of Cut
Tees	Bentgrass; ryegrass	0.375"
Fairways	Bentgrass; Kentucky bluegrass; ryegrass; <i>Poa annua</i>	0.4"
Greens	Bentgrass; <i>Poa annua</i>	0.125"
Rough	Kentucky bluegrass; fescue	3"

### Wildlife on the course

Canada goose; Deer; Eagle; Fish; Fox;  
 Groundhog; Hawk; Rabbit; Raccoon; Red fox;  
 Snakes; Squirrel; Swan

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## Interesting and historical course-related facts

Cherry Hills Country Club opened in 1922 and was designed by well-known designer William Flynn. Flynn was best known for his redesign of Shinnecock Hills on Long Island, site of the 2004 U.S. Open.

By hosting the 2005 U.S. Women's Open, Cherry Hills joined Winged Foot Golf Club in Mamaroneck, N.Y., and Hazeltine National Golf Club in Chaska, Minn., as the only courses to have hosted the U.S. Open, U.S. Senior Open, U.S. Amateur and U.S. Women's Open.

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### Course architect/date:

William Flynn, 1922

### Most recent redesign/renovation:

Tom Doak, 2008

### Redesign builder/date:

Renaissance Golf, 2008

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## Other key course personnel

Josh Hester, GCSAA Class C Assistant  
Superintendent

David Robinson, Equipment Manager

Tim Schmidt, Club President

Kevin Hood, Club Manager

Tom Marsico, Green Committee Chairman

John Ogden, PGA Professional

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