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## Allie White

### Press Conference

THE MODERATOR: Here with PGA/LPGA (audio skip)  
Allie White at the 2026 KPMG Women's PGA  
Championship.

Allie, welcome to Hazeltine in your third KPMG Women's  
PGA Championship. You've played in a few of these now.  
What's your favorite part of the week and how do you  
prepare while of course balancing your duties as a director  
of golf?

ALLIE WHITE: Well, the second part of that question, I left  
my staff with a good plan and they're really good, so I'm  
really grateful they're home.

They haven't even -- they've called me one time. That's  
been it. That's pretty incredible. Ellie, Joey, Andy, all ya'll  
back home, thank you.

It's just a really special week. Nothing else like it. You  
know, I played in a U.S. Open when I was 19 and I had just  
no clue about the world and was like, oh, neat. This is  
awesome. You know, I'll probably do lots of these. Now  
I'm 36 and I think it's my fifth major, and it's been a claw  
getting here, so really, really grateful, yeah.

THE MODERATOR: Take some questions.

**Q. So Allie, I understand you became a PGA of  
America member recently. This is something that you  
planned before. What does it mean for you and for  
your life as a director of golf?**

ALLIE WHITE: Super helpful, yeah. I got it done in  
January. Got through the paperwork and the classes and  
stuff. I did LPGA Professionals first which I think was a  
pretty handy route to go.

Yeah, doing them both took me around two, three years.  
Just immediately I had like career consultations, been  
talking about insurance stuff and retirement stuff, which is



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stuff that wasn't -- as a Tour player, you know, not making  
a ton of money on the Epson Tour and not having any  
sponsors, having somebody to talk to me about retirement  
for the first time in my life was probably a good step for a  
36 year old I would say.

**Q. You've done all kinds of things in golf, no?**

ALLIE WHITE: I have. I've gotten to do a lot of things in  
golf.

**Q. Can you talk a little bit about all those things you've  
done and what you learned from those things in golf?**

ALLIE WHITE: Yeah, my first gig was at like a local public  
course and they tried to have me inside selling snacks and  
I was burning the hot dogs. Next year they put me outside.  
I mowed some greens and I would like clip the edges  
every now and then, so I graduated from those jobs.

Yeah, grad assistant golf coach at Ohio University and  
assistant pro at The Lakers, and so I've gotten to see -- I  
mean, mostly played on the Epson Tour, but did have  
some stints of doing all the Tiff you have different things.

It definitely makes you look at a golf course as a whole and  
be like, wow, some member board group decided to have  
this beautiful bathroom facility and they put a lot of money  
to make that facility that nice.

Some well-trained superintendent was smart enough to  
know what kind of grass is going to grow best and what  
kind of decision do I need to make here. Some manager  
scheduled everyone of these shifts.

It makes you realize how hard it is to pull off something this  
big, you know.

**Q. And my last thing is with all the experiences and I  
guess some heartbreaks with golf, too, what keeps you  
connected with golf? What keeps you loving golf?**

ALLIE WHITE: There are so many different things to love  
about golf. Getting to be outside, getting to be with your  
friends, getting to be alone if you need to be alone.



It's a great challenge. When I reflect on this tournament I'm like, what an awesome opportunity for women. Everybody starts at zero on the week, and it doesn't matter if you're tall or short or what country you're from or who you're dating or whatever.

At the end the week it's going to be super objective. It's not going to count Twitter followers or anything like that. Just who shoots the lowest score.

And I guarantee you no matter who it is in the field, they're going to work really hard to week to be that person that does that. So the opportunity to compete with the best like athletes, golfers out there, like Nelly and Jeeno and everybody else, is just -- to get to just be at square one with them and see how it goes at the ends of week is pretty dang cool.

**Q. You were 19 when you played in your first major; you're 36 now. How has the women's golf game changed dramatically?**

ALLIE WHITE: That's a really good question. I think I made that U.S. Open cut when I was 19 and was like maybe 5-over going into the weekend or something.

It was -- I mean, they had the greens crazy fast so it was a tough course, but like, you know, the ladies these days, I mean, like back when he was young they would be like go play golf so you can get a scholarship.

Now it's like, no, everyone in the world plays golf. It's such a global game. It's so deep. Like just so much better than ever.

You know, like the greats were always great. The Annikas and Lorenas. Lorena is my favorite. Nancy Lopez, Mickey Wright, Kathy Whitworth. The greats were always great, but I think the depth is just -- I played with this Helen Briem in the field. I hit it -- I carry like 240 and she was outdriving my by like 40 yards. This girl whacks it.

I'm going to have to putt well if I want to beat her. But, yeah, it's just really deep. It's really cool. It's really, really cool. Yeah, women's sports are in a good spot right now thanks to a lot of hard work from a lot of women and men.

**Q. So you have now played in this major three years in a row. You're a regular. Why is it just important for you every year to make this Corebridge team and represent the pros, teaching pros, club pros from that perspective?**

ALLIE WHITE: Yeah, well, I sure don't take it for granted

that it's going to happen. There is some darn good club pros. Maybe not the depth, but the LPGA Championship gets some really good players, and, yeah, so I don't take it for granted that I'll be here next year.

The fact that I do get to be here and it does, being the PGA Championship, you know, you do want to really represent the PGA TOUR and the LPGA professionals as well. So, yeah, I do. I do want to do my very best.

**Q. I know you've coached a lot of students. You have a lot of members who really respect you at your golf course. What do you hope they see from your performance here? What do you hope they take away from your competition at this major?**

ALLIE WHITE: Well, when I used to coach college golf I would always tell the kids that BYOB, be your own bestie. Hopefully if they're watching me play today, no matter what sort of adversity -- not today but this week -- no matter what adversity I run into out there they can see I'm on my own side. I'm not going to beat myself down. Just going to keep chugging.

So hopefully that's the attitude they see and they'll be inspired to give themselves that kind of grace, too.

**Q. So one last. In connection with what Jim was saying the element of the money, too. The evolution of women's golf. We got to 13 million, amazing level. Why is women's golf a good investment?**

ALLIE WHITE: Oh, it's just an awesome investment. They just really, really hit the ball amazing and you're going to have great conversations if you come out and play a pro-am and just be with really kind, humble people.

It's amazing how humble some of the women's golfers are. Still at this point, if you come watch an event it's relatively accessible to like really get to see great golf in person.

But, yeah, just I don't know. Golf is business, right, and you're getting to play great courses. So, yeah, bring your business out, do a pro-am, come see this awesome course, meet somebody that's really humble and kind and going represent your business with a lot of quality, dignity, honor, all that stuff.

THE MODERATOR: Thanks for your time Allie. We appreciate it.

ALLIE WHITE: Thank you guys. Have a great week.

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