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Rudding Park

RUDDING PARK PRO SEES HARROGATE GOLF PRODIGY RISE TO TOP

Harrogate professional golfer, John Parry, who is currently competing on the European Tour, is bucking a long established trend by retaining his teaching pro of 16 years, Rudding Park's Mark Moore.

When golfers reach the European Tour, it is commonplace for them to change their teaching pros frequently but John, who has been training with Mark at Rudding Park since he was seven years old, will be continuing this long standing professional relationship.

Mark comments: "I have been working with John since he was a budding amateur in the early 1990s and his rise through the national and international rankings has been phenomenal.

"He is a naturally gifted golfer and is incredibly committed to the game but I think the support and guidance I have been able to give him over the years has helped to enhance his innate ability. We know and trust one another very well and I think this is a great benchmark for a lasting professional relationship."

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

When John is at home in Knaresborough, he trains at the Rudding Park Golf Academy, built in 2006. Here John uses state-of-the-art equipment combined with Mark's coaching tips to improve all areas of his game.

Building on his intensive training regime, John has gone on to win the Peter McEvoy Trophy in 2004, the Under 21 Faldo Junior Series in 2005 and the Spanish and Welsh Amateur titles in 2007.

His professional career started in 2007 and in 2008, he won the Ladbroke Masters on the EuroPro Tour. John made his Challenge Tour breakthrough with a victory at the

2009 ALLIANZ Golf Open Grand Toulouse, where he shot a nine under par 63 on the final day.

YOUNG MASTERS GOLF

The roots of Parry's golfing career started 16 years ago when he began training with Mark. Since then, Rudding Park has significantly developed its provision for amateur golfers to incorporate the nationally recognised Young Masters Golf (YMG) programme and is now one of the top five golf clubs in the UK to run the scheme. Designed for both boys and girls, YMG aims to encourage aspiring golfers between the ages of six and 12 to get involved in the game and develop their skills. YMG at Rudding Park, which is run by Mark and two other instructors, Dave Fountain and Neil Moore, has helped juniors succeed to county and international level through its interactive, reward-led training programme.

For further information about Rudding Park's Young Masters Golf programme, visit <http://www.ruddingpark.co.uk/golf/tuition/young-masters.php>

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Notes to Editors:

Rudding Park is independently owned by Simon Mackaness and his family. Over the last 30 years, they have carried out a comprehensive programme of improvement and redevelopment which includes the opening of Rudding Holiday Park in 1978, the renovation of Rudding Park House in 1987 and the subsequent opening of the 50-room hotel in 1997.

The estate also comprises an 18 hole, par-72 golf course set in mature Parkland, complemented by an 18 bay floodlit driving range and golf academy. A new development of 18 luxury holiday lodges adjacent to the golf course opened in May 2006 and a par-3 six hole short course opened in April 2008. Work is currently underway for a 34 bedroom hotel extension and spa, due for completion in November 2010.

Rudding Park was voted the 'Number One Hotel in the UK' in the TripAdvisor® Travelers' Choice Awards 2010. The accolade put the hotel at 'Number Six Best Luxury Hotel in the World'.

Special offers at Rudding Park

A sample of Rudding Park's great offers include:

- **Three courses and coffee for just £20.10 in 2010.** Visit www.ruddingpark.co.uk/offers for more information.
- **Stay and play – free golf with special dinner, bed and breakfast offer.** Visit www.ruddingpark.co.uk/golf for more information.
- **Fantastic rates for small meetings.** Visit www.ruddingpark.co.uk/offers for more information.