

## Lora Fairclough

A knee injury has accelerated the end of Lora's outstanding golfing career in amateur and professional golf over the last 30 years.

Since turning Professional in January 1991, just before her 21<sup>st</sup> birthday, Lora has enjoyed many tournament wins and 50 top ten finishes in events on the Ladies' European Tour. The highlights being winning the Moroccan Hassan Trophy twice, the German Ladies' Open in 1998 and the Mauritius Open in 2006. She played in the 1994 Solheim Cup at The Greenbrier, partnering Dale Reid to victories in the foursomes and fourballs.



Lora started playing golf with her father, Gerald, at Chorley GC when she was 11. With great natural ability and determination she was soon a single figure golfer, aged 13 Lora was the youngest 1 handicap golfer in England.

Lora's county career started as a junior with the Lancashire Girls' Golf Association, playing in their competitions and teams from the age of 12.

She won 2 Junior and Ladies' Championships and held both titles in 1998. Lora was a regular in the County team from the age of 14 and a member of the Lancashire team that won the ELGA County Finals in 1987.

Lora has always been loyal to her club Chorley and Lancashire Ladies' County Golf Association. She has continued to support the Lancashire Girls' Golf Association by playing in the Ladies, Professionals and Girls annual competition, raising money for them and often attending Annual General Meetings as a popular Guest Speaker.

In her own words" *My new chapter in golf will be mainly focused on teaching and mentoring. Hopefully 21 years of experience as a playing professional will help benefit all abilities of players. I already have my PGA Level I + 2 qualifications."*

Lancashire Champion 1988



Lancashire Team 1990





Lora at Lancashire Girls' Golf Association AGM and playing in Professionals, Ladies' + Girls event

### **Lora's Amateur Achievements**

#### Individual

European Young Masters Girls' Champion 1989  
England Intermediate Champion 1989  
England Girls' Champion 1985  
English Schools' Champion 1985  
Northern Ladies' Champion 1986 + 1990  
Northern Girls' Under 19 Champion 1984  
Northern Schools Girls' Champion 1986  
Lancashire Ladies' Champion 1988 + 1990  
Lancashire Girls' Champion 1984 + 1988  
Won Avia Foursomes, Royal Birkdale Scratch + Pleasington Putter 1989

#### Teams

Lancashire Junior, B and Ladies' teams  
Captain of English Schools' team  
England Girls, Under 21s and Ladies' International  
Great Britain and Ireland International – Vagliano team

### **Lora's Professional Achievements**

IBM Swedish Open 1993  
Solheim Cup team at The Greenbrier GC, USA in 1994  
Ford Golf Classic + European Masters 1995  
Ladies' German Open 1998  
Hassan Trophy winner twice  
Mauritius Open 2006  
Over 50 top 10 finishes in European Ladies' Tour events