



Paul Barrington
THE STRIKER



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Achievements:

- World Trick Shot Champion 2005
- West Region PGA Captain 2005
- British Long Drive Champion 2003
- British Long Drive Champion 2002
- Winner of the Glenmuir Club Pro's Regional Qualifier 1999



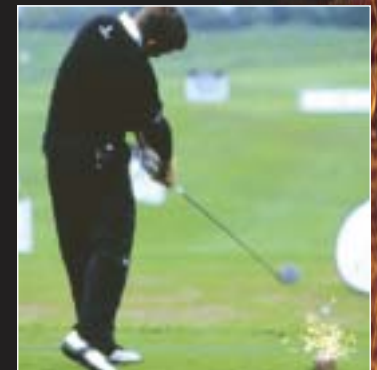
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WORLD TRICK SHOT CHAMPION 2005

Driving Records:

- Longest Drive 440 yards
- From the Knees 308 yards
- Longest Carry 365 yards
- Left Handed 303 yards
- Putting 301 yards

'See it to believe it'





WORLD TRICK SHOT CHAMPION 2005

The event was advertised as 10 performers - one stage - one winner.

The 'one winner' was Paul Barrington, 35 year old Trick Shot specialist and Golf Director at The Players Club, Bristol. The inaugural Sky televised 'World Trick Shot Championships' was held at The Celtic Manor Resort.

The competitors, all PGA Golf Professionals, entertained the audience and judges with an amazing display of strange looking golf clubs and breathtaking tricks shots. Amongst them were competitors from around the world including Spaniard Vicente Ballesteros (Seve's brother) who amazed the judges with his technical ability and American Ben Witter, who drove a ball thrown into mid-air whilst balancing on a large medicine ball.

Robert Lee, former European Tour professional and current Sky Sports presenter, was host presenter for the competition. The Judges were made up of Ewen Murray, award winning Sky Sports presenter, Mark Roe, European Tour Player and Adger Brown, one of today's



most popular comedians and previous Captain Jester of the Comedians Golf Society. Judges were asked to take into account the degree of difficulty, the quality of the strike and accuracy of the shot together with the entertainment value.

Paul took to the stage and had the audience entertained from the minute he began. He amazed them with a stunning display of trick shots and witty repartee including striking a ball over 250 yards off a household brick! His striking ability and incredible length off the tee - he is also 2 x British Long Drive Champion - astounded the audience and judges and earned him a place in the final.

Four finalists took to the stage including Magnolia Park's Jeremy Dale and Kevin Compare; better known as 'Divot The Clown'.



Paul used his incredible striking power to drive a ball straight through a piece of 18mm chipboard and he delighted his audience with 250 yards off the knees. Although, he did admit to needing a bit more practice with the 'mobile phone' trick; luckily the member of the audience was on 'pay as you go'!

The judges delivered their verdict and Paul was crowned World Golf Trick Shot Champion 2005.



"It has been a fantastic event and we have seen some tremendous talent out there today" said Paul. "After seeing the level of competitor, we all know that we have to produce something a bit special for next year's competition and that goes for me too!"

Tricky . . . but Paul is a world-beater!

PAUL Barrington is on top of the world — with a handy cheque for £5,000 tucked into his back pocket. The 30-year-old golf pro at The Players Club has a part-time career as a trickshot specialist, entertaining crowds all over the country.



News Barrington wins trickshot title



PAUL Barrington, the world's most famous trickshot specialist, has won the World Trickshot Championship. The 30-year-old golfer from The Players Club, Bristol, has a part-time career as a trickshot specialist, entertaining crowds all over the country.



Star of the show: Paul Barrington, the specialist (above) and (left) being interviewed by Sky Sports presenter Robert Lee

There was on which the British Victor. Each of 11 ballistics, including a 300-yard shot.

Big-hitter Barrington flies flag

PAUL Barrington

golf News from fairway and green

PAUL SETS OUT HIS DRIVING AMBITION



by CHRIS BARTLETT

WATCH out America, Paul Barrington is driving your way!

The 30-year-old golfer at The Players Club has already signed a multi-million pound deal with the British Long Drive Championship.

Paul Barrington is a member of the British Long Drive team which will compete in the World Long Drive Championship in the USA next year.

Barrington wins World Trickshot title

golf magazine with one of the sport's most exciting personalities was held for the first time at Celtic Manor in Newport.

Paul Barrington was crowned the world's most famous trickshot specialist at Celtic Manor in Newport. The 30-year-old golfer from The Players Club, Bristol, has a part-time career as a trickshot specialist, entertaining crowds all over the country.

Competitors from around the world arrived at Celtic Manor for the World Trickshot Championship. The event was held for the first time at Celtic Manor in Newport.

The panel of judges for the World Trickshot Championship was made up of golfing experts and trickshot specialists. The event was held for the first time at Celtic Manor in Newport.



Golf's most amazing tricks

expressed when you bounce a ball three times on a wedge? Get a load of this!

A bouncing ball: A new trick shot involves a golfer bouncing a ball three times on a wedge before hitting it into the hole.

straight down the center, and the ball will go straight into the hole.

golf

News from fairway and green

Driving force Paul sets sights on world finals in Nevada CHAMP BARRINGTON BLASTS RIVALS AWAY

RYLAND JAMES

Players Club professional Paul Barrington has been crowned British Long Drive Champion for the second year running.

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He's 'The Striker'

PGA Golf Professional Paul Barrington, has won the title of 'RE/MAX British Long Drive Champion 2002'.

Barrington and professional golfer from Costa Rica, Cesar Cordero, competed to gain entry into the final of the RE/MAX British Long Drive Championship at the Long Drive Club in Nevada. Paul Barrington won the title by 100 yards, taking the title to the world.



Big Hitter

It's unlikely that you would have heard of Paul Barrington. He's not a pro golfer, but he's a player-off to win a Major. He's not a similar name to the European Tour. He's been a pro since 1986 but he's not even to be found on any prize-money list. And yet, in one aspect of the game, he's the best the country has to offer.

In October last year Paul could be found as Britain's only representative in the World Long Drive Championship. Out of 95 competitors, mostly from America, he came 19th. "I needed the quarter-final," he muses. "Only to be beaten by the very best."





“A great show and a great showman, both naturally gifted & naturally funny. Do not miss Barrington, World Trick Shot Champion.”

Mark Roe - European Tour Player



“Paul’s show made me laugh while I admired the brilliance of his technical ability. His personality is infectious & when you have that as well as talent, you have a potent force. Once seen, you will find it hard to forget.”

Ewen Murray - Sky Sports Presenter

“Audience participation, funny and great shot making are the ingredients required for the all round trick shot show...”

“Paul Barrington has the lot & more...”

“Brilliant and entertaining.”

Adger Brown - Comedian

Give your Guests a Day to Remember with ‘The All Time Golf Show’

When Paul Barrington, PGA Golf Professional, 2005 World Trick Shot Champion and 2 x British Long Drive Champion tees it up, be prepared to be amazed. He records one of the fastest swing speeds in the world at 143mph and has earned his name ‘The Striker’ by making even the longest tour player seem human. He travels around Europe leaving guests utterly amazed with his incredible striking power and accuracy.



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‘The All Time Golf Show’ combines long driving with a variety of trick shots using hose pipe shafts, woods from 24” to 7ft long, balls driven through chipboard, shots hit from a kneeling position and the ‘scissor shot’. You’d be forgiven for asking the question, why doesn’t he play on the Tour? Quite simply, he has a severe problem with his putting; he always misses the 2ft putt and his long putts go on average 250 yards!



Paul will entertain your guests for 60 minutes, depending on your individual requirements. Throughout the show, his topical comedy and patter adds to the overall enjoyment of the display but beware, don’t think you’ll just stand there and watch. Audience participation is encouraged with some of the tricks and guests just can’t wait to give it a shot.



Paul’s display is the perfect choice for all your golfing events. From Charity days and Corporate events to Captain’s days and official openings, put ‘The All Time Golf Show’ on your calendar.



2002 ReMax British Long Drive Championships

Paul first won the title of RE/MAX British Long Drive Champion in 2002.

Amateur and professional golfers from across Great Britain competed to gain entry into the final of the RE/MAX British Long Drive Championships held at Stoke Park Golf Club. The finalists were each given three warm up balls followed by six shots to gain the title.



Paul hit a massive 337 yard drive into the wind, taking the title and the chance to represent Great Britain in the 2002 RE/MAX World Long Drive Finals in Nevada in October. Paul will be competing against the best in the world, going up against such names as Jason Zuback and Shaun 'The Beast' Fister.

Jason was the World Long Drive Champ from 1986 – 1999 and recorded a tournament record of over 412 yards in 1997. Shaun won the title in 2001 in Mesquite, USA after hitting the ball 376 yards, 2 inches

2002 ReMax World Long Drive Championships

Paul blasted his way through to the Quarter Finals of the 2002 RE/MAX World Long Drive Championships.

Over 14,000 competitors battled it out across the world to qualify for a place at the Championships held in Nevada. Paul represented Great Britain and finished 15th out of a field of 96 competitors, leaving him two yards short of qualifying for the Semi-Finals.

“It really was a fantastic experience” said Barrington “I gave it my best shot and was thrilled to get through to the Quarter Finals. To compete against such names as Jason Zuback and Sean ‘The Beast’ Fister was awesome; these guys can really strike the ball.”

Paul was using a Yonex V Mass 400 with a Penley ETA 49 inch shaft, which was a short in comparison. The standard length of shaft being used by competitors ranged from anywhere between 52 - 62 inches with groove less heads and lofts from 4 – 6 degrees.

“It was like a different sport entirely” said Paul. The equipment they were using was for Long Driving and not for playing golf! There were no prizes for a ‘pretty’ swing; ‘Grip it and Rip it’ summed it up perfectly”.

2003 ReMax British Long Drive Championships

In 2003 Paul regained the title of ‘RE/MAX British Long Drive Champion’.

The competition attracted ‘long drivers’ from across Europe and was again held at Stoke Park Golf Club.

Over 50 Amateur and professional competitors took it in turn to hit six balls. Only drives landing within a grid measuring 49 yards wide are measured. The longest drive of each group advanced to the next round until there were only five competitors left in a head-to-head shootout.

Paul hit an incredible drive of 401 yards, taking the title and the chance to once again represent Great Britain in the RE/MAX World Long Drive Finals. It was the first time that the British title had been successfully defended.



“Last year really was a fantastic experience” said Paul. “To be able to represent Great Britain for the second year running is a great honour and I can’t wait to compete again. I didn’t really know what I was up against last year and arrived at the World Finals with my ‘pretty’ golf swing and my standard length driver. But there are no prizes for a standard golf swing. You’ve got to hit it long and hit it hard and these boys can seriously hit the ball”.



EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

2001 to 2006; The Players Club, Codrington, Bristol
(18 holes Championship Course opened May 2002)

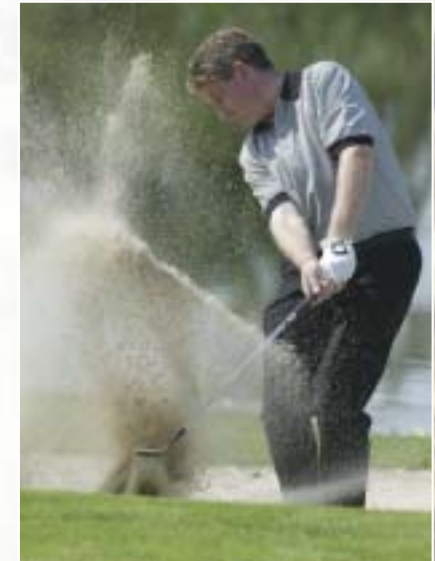
Golf Director / Head Professional

- Responsibility for the setting up and running of all golf operations at a brand new 18 hole championship course.
- Collaboration with the Board regarding the initial marketing plan and new membership structure.
- Responsibility for promoting the new golf memberships and ongoing membership recruitment. Growing membership from 0 to over 1,600 since opening.
- Recruitment and on-going training of all golf operations staff.
- Putting in place all new systems and procedures for the club as a whole from computers systems and telecommunications to business legislation and golf club procedures.
- Initial setting up and overseeing the Health and Safety procedures together with ongoing monitoring to ensure legal compliance.
- Producing wording and graphics for all marketing and advertising material up to final print stage including newspaper/magazine advertising and editorial, Players Club Newsletters, Web wording and design.
- Successfully negotiating a large amount of free editorial and coverage on TV and radio to promote The Players Club at every opportunity.
- Website construction and maintenance.
- Ongoing review of the Membership structure and Golf course usage to achieve maximum income potential.
- Working closely with the management team to achieve stretching business targets whilst keeping within strict budget and cost guidelines.
- Working together with all staff to deliver a top quality customer service, building relationships with members, guests and visitors.
- The Promotion, booking and running of all Corporate and Society days.
- Host to 3 Europro tournaments.
- Head Professional duties including staffing, stocking and running the Professionals Shop together with overall responsibility for all coaching activities.
- Promoting The Players Club brand at every opportunity.
- Direct reporting line to the Board of Directors.

1997 – 2001 The Kendleshire Golf Club,
Coalpit Heath, Bristol

Head Professional

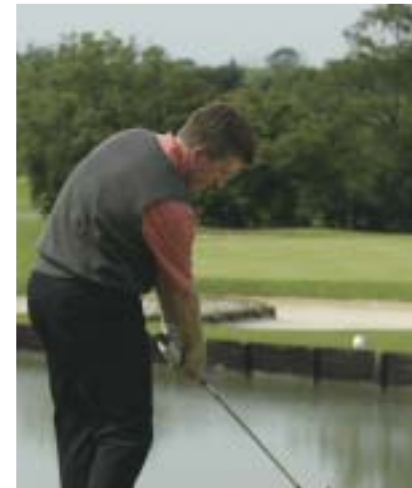
- Staffing, stocking and running the Professionals Shop together with overall responsibility for all coaching activities.
- Fostering relationships with members of a new club.
- Promoting and building the new name of The Kendleshire.
- The implementation of extensive Junior Coaching programmes to nurture and develop young children in the game of golf. Recruitment of a membership of over 100 youngsters under the age of 15 together with setting up a junior club team and running Junior coaching weekends and holiday camps.
- Organising and running Golf Society and Corporate Days.
- Participating in several major golf open days including presentations and prize givings.



1988 – 1992 Weston-Super-Mare G.C.

Assistant Golf Professional

- Ran a successful golf club repair service for all local professionals and members.
- Expanded the teaching revenue by running short stay golf breaks.
- Worked closely with the committee to organise the club's Centenary Year.



1992 – 1997 Weston-Super-Mare G.C.

Head Golf Professional & Director of Golf

- Successfully trained two assistants through the P.G.A. Scheme
- Managed all club competitions, handicaps and golf societies.
- Implemented Weston Golf Week in conjunction with Worlebury G.C. (open week of competitions).





The Early Years

Paul was introduced to the game of golf at an early age being pictured at 11 months old having a lesson with Wally Smithers, Professional of Long Ashton Golf Club. His father was Captain of Clevedon golf club but unfortunately died when Paul was 11 months old. Caddying for his Mum and step-father, Paul had his own set of clubs by the age of 10. He was asked to play for the county juniors at age 12, playing off a handicap of 12. By the age of 15 his handicap was down to 1 and he was invited to play for the full county side. Paul represented Avon Schools in the English School Finals and Somerset in the English County Finals.

He turned Professional at the age of 17 and joined Weston-Super-Mare Golf Club as an Assistant Golf Professional where he concentrated on the teaching and retail side of the profession.





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Peter Thompson, 5x British Open Champion



Colin Montgomerie and team at Yonex professionals day

