

## A new course in Bulgaria for Harradine



Peter Harradine (third from right) and team in Bulgaria

Harradine Golf has signed up to design a new course in Bulgaria. Work on the Pravets Golf Resort and Country Club project has finally started near Sofia, after a lengthy and complicated procedure to obtain building permits.

The complex includes an 18-hole tournament course, a luxury hotel, sports centre, indoor golf, casino, nightclub and an outdoor Olympic size swimming pool. The investor is Terra Tour Service – a well known hotel and real estate operator.

“The main challenge was to transform the flattish clay-based farmland into an interesting layout. Fortunately, the site descends gently towards a beautiful artificial lake, which can be seen from most holes. We have placed the clubhouse at the highest elevation, thus providing a magnificent view of the lake, the beautiful Stara Planina

Mountain, the enormous ninth and eighteenth double green and the majority of the course,” said Peter Harradine.

The course is a par 72, with two starting and finishing holes at the clubhouse and a total length of 6,536 metres from the back tees. The project also involves a large driving range, as well as putting and pitching greens.

“The course certainly offers a challenging but fair test of golfers, and the natural features of the site coupled with the additional changes in elevation create a series of memorable golf holes,” said Harradine. “The proposed mounding and landscaping, the planting of thousands of trees of different varieties placed at strategic locations and between the fairways will add character, safety and individuality to each hole.”