9-year old Ruairi wins 2019 Flogas Irish Junior Open Summer Series

The 2019 Flogas Irish Junior Open Summer Series has come to a triumphant conclusion as nine-year old Ruairi Cooper from Enniscorthy Golf Club scooped the prestigious Gary Player trophy as the tournament winner. As part of his winning package, he will soon be teeing off at the award winning La Cala Golf Resort close to Malaga in Spain, along with many more opportunities over the coming year.

The Flogas Irish Junior Open Series is now in its sixth year and has grown to become Ireland's biggest of its kind and one of Europe's largest, attracting over 2,000 competitors in the last year. With 100 overseas entries in 2019, from Australia, America, China, Canada and Europe, and with a resounding endorsement from the legendary golfer himself, Gary Player, the Series continues to increase in size, scope and stature each year.

Speaking at the end of the Series, John Rooney, managing director, Flogas, had this to say, 'It's a pleasure for Flogas to be involved with the Irish Junior Open. The way the young participants are encouraged, supported and enjoy a five-star experience throughout is something that we as a company wholeheartedly support."

Series founder Michael Gallagher from MG Pro Golf spoke of how his passion for growing the game and providing the ultimate tournament experience drives his hunger to continue with new and exciting opportunities for the younger generation. 'Starting out, my goal was to create opportunities that just weren't there for future golf stars to shine. The continued growth of the Irish Junior Open, along with our Adult/Junior events and the new 'Champion of Champions' World Invitational in 2020 will, I believe, continue to raise the benchmark for junior competitions in Ireland and beyond. None of this would be possible without the support of the many generous sponsors who support my vision of enabling more junior golfers to enter the game and play against competitors from all over the world on a professional platform'.

To find out more on the 'Flogas Irish Junior Open' and the upcoming Winter events please visit <u>www.irishjunioropen.com</u>





