Competition Opportunities for players

We are often asked for advice on the types of events players should be looking to play in when they decide to begin playing away from their home club. We have created the tables below to give some guidance to parents and players on possible events. Please note this list is not exhaustive, these are simply events which we have an awareness of.

As players progress and reduce their handicap below 5 they may also want to consider looking at suitable Men's and Women's Order of Merit events. These can be found here: https://scottishgolf.org/performance-homepage/performance-policies/

Boys Events – Handicap range 15.4 and below

Competition Name	Age Group (Max)	Handicap Limit
Junior Tour events	U18	6.4
Scottish Boys Open Boys Championship	U18	7.4
The McEvoy Trophy	U18	2.4
Fairhaven Trophies	U18	2.4
Scottish Boys Area Team Championship	U18	N/A
Scottish Schools Championship	U18	TBC
Stephen Gallacher Foundation Trophy	U18	6.4
Sir Henry Cooper Junior Masters	U18	2.4
Paul Lawrie Jug	U18	TBC
Scottish Boys Amateur Championship	U18	9.4
Scottish Men's Amateur Championship	Men's	6.4
R&A Boys Amateur Championship	U18	2.4
Scottish Boys U16 Open Championship	U16	9.4
McGregor Trophy	U16	4.4
North of England U16	U16	7.4
U14 Reid Trophy	U14	7.4
Scottish Boys U14 Open Championship	U14	15.4
Junior Club Medals	U18	Various
Junior Club Matches	U18	Various
Men's Club Medal/Championship	Open	Various
Junior Area Medals/Championship	U18	Various
Junior Club Matches	U18	Various
Club Junior Opens	Various	Various

Girls Events – Handicap range 34.4 and below

Competition Name	Age Group (Max)	Handicap Limit
Junior Tour events	U18	34.4
Scottish Girls Open Championship	U18	13.4
Irish Girls Open Strokeplay Championship	U18	5.4
Fairhaven Trophy	U18	5.4
Scottish Schools Championship	U18	TBC
Stephen Gallagher Foundation Trophy	U18	30.4
Paul Lawrie Junior Jug	U18	30.4
Sir Henry Cooper Junior Masters	U18	5.4
Scottish Girls Amateur Championship	U18	34.4
R&A Girls Amateur Championship	U18	3.4
English Girls U16 Open Championship	U16	18.4
English Girls U14 Open Championship	U14	20.4
Scottish Girls Under 14/16 Open Championship	U14/16	34.4
North of England U16 Championship	U16	7.4
Scottish Women's Amateur	Women's	20.4
Junior Club Medals/Championship	U18	Various
Junior Club Matches	U18	Various
Women's Club Medals/Championships	Open	Various
Women's Inter Club Matches	Open	Various
Junior County medals/Championship	U18	Various
Junior Club Matches	U18	Various
Club Junior Opens	Various	Various

Boys Events – Handicap range 28 - 12

Competition Name	Age Group (Max)	Approx Handicap Limit
St Andrews Boys' Open	U18	9.4
	U21	Varies depending on
Faldo Series	U18	age
	U16	
Junior Club Medal	U18	Various
Junior Club Matches	U18	Various
Men's Club Medal/Championship	Open	Various
Junior Area Medals/Championship	U18	Various
Junior Club Matches	U18	Various
Club Junior Opens	Various	Various

Girls Events – Handicap range 34.4 - 15

Competition Name	Age Group (Max)	Approx Handicap Limit
St Andrews Schoolgirls' Championship	U18	24
St Andrews Junior Ladies Open	U23	28.4
Junior Tour events	U18	34.4
Stephen Gallagher Foundation Vase	U18	30.4
Paul Lawrie Foundation Junior Jug	U18	30.4
Faldo Series	U21 U18 U16	Varies depending on age
Scottish Women's Amateur	Women's	20.4
Junior Club Medal/Championship	U18	Various

Junior Club Matches	U18	Various
Women's Club Medals/Championships	Open	Various
Women's Inter Club Matches	Open	Various
Junior County medals/Championship	U18	Various
Junior Club Matches	U18	Various
Club Junior Opens	Various	Various