Golf — Scottish Open back in the Lothians

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American golfer Rickie Fowler on his way to success at Gullane in 2015

The Aberdeen Asset Management Scottish Open will return to East Lothian from July 12 to 15, 2018 when Gullane Golf Club hosts the prestige event for the second time.

It will be followed two weeks later by the Aberdeen Asset Management Ladies Scottish Open from July 26-29.

Rickie Fowler won the last Scottish Open held there in 2015 when the American birdied three of the last four holes to surge past Ryder Cup team-mate Matt Kuchar and Frenchman Raphaël Jacquelin to seal his maiden European Tour title.

Martin Gilbert, Chief Executive of Aberdeen Asset Management said: "We had a great tournament with a great winner in Rickie at Gullane in 2015.

"Gullane is a spectacular course and together with our tournament partners we will continue to host our events at the best possible venues which showcase Scotland in all its glory to an ever increasing global TV audience."

Paul Bush, Director of Events with VisitScotland, said: "Gullane Golf Club is home to three of Scotland's finest links courses and will provide an outstanding venue for both the Aberdeen Asset Management Scottish Open and Ladies Scottish Open in 2018.

"With strong men's, ladies and junior sections it is the epitome of a traditional Scottish golf club at the heart of the local community."