

Holder McIlroy books Scottish Open return

Rory McIlroy will defend the Genesis Scottish Open he won last year when the event returns to East Lothian from July 11-14. Tickets on sale at etg.golf/GS024Tickets to watch the world No 2 in action.

The four-time Major winner produced a birdie-birdie finish on the final day at The Renaissance Club last season to edge out home favourite Robert MacIntyre by one stroke.

Eight of the top ten players in the world competed last summer and McIlroy's win in East Lothian saw him notch up another piece of golfing history. He became the first player to triumph in the national opens of both Scotland and Ireland as well as The Open.

After that, the man from Northern Ireland went on to top the season-long Race to Dubai Rankings in Partnership with Rolex for the fifth time and second consecutive season.

Looking back at his Scottish Open win, McIlroy said: "It was special to win the Genesis Scottish Open for the first time last season and to do it with such great support from the Scottish fans made it a memorable week."

The Genesis Scottish Open is co-sanctioned by the DP World Tour and PGA TOUR, counting on both the Race to Dubai Rankings in Partnership with Rolex and the FedExCup, and boasts Genesis, the luxury automotive brand from South Korea, as

title sponsor.

The popular tournament benefits from the continued commitment of the Scottish Government, managed by VisitScotland, and retains its place in golf's global calendar the week ahead of The Open.

A range of ticket options, including daily general admission tickets, season tickets, Ticket+ and Green on 18 premium hospitality packages, are available at etg.golf/GS024Tickets

PICTURE: Rory McIlroy with the Scottish Open trophy. Courtesy of Getty images

Ticket+ options for all four tournament days sold out well in advance in 2023 and Green on 18 packages are already sold out for Friday of this year's event so fans are encouraged to buy their preferred ticket option early.