Skye Tournament Tuesday 13th – Wednesday 14th May 2025

It is to be a 6 round McMahon tournament {A}. Komi will be 7.5. Time limit 60 minutes with increasing overtime (10/5, 20/5 etc). Registration on Tuesday, 13 May, will be at 9.00, and the rounds will start at 9.30, 12.30 and 3.30. On Wednesday, 14 May, the rounds will start at 9.15, 12.15 and 3.15, and prize giving will be at 6.15

It will be in the small hall of the Community Centre, 100 yards from Somerled Square (where the buses come in), in the centre of Portree. There is free parking at the hall.

Entry will be £10.00 per day, £6.00 for concessions. Payment, in cash, at registration please.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=id3rFl-rcU8 This is a link to the BBC Alba report on the first Skye tournament. But, the Tongadale Hotel dining room is no longer available, and other venues in Portree are in use on weekends. So we have decided to try holding a mid-week tournament. Most of those who came to our previous tournaments combined it with a holiday; apologies to anyone who would have needed it to be a weekend tournament, we'll miss seeing you here.

Another reason a mid-week tournament might be a good idea is the large go board now set in the paving here https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7hd-juPoSYM . If you can come a day or more before and/or after the tournament you can have a game/games on it too. Mid-May is just before the midge season, and May is a month when it's statistically slightly more likely to be dry (we think we may have a small gazebo we can use if it rains).

The Tongadale Hotel is already booked full for May and other Portree hotels have few rooms left. The best chance for a central Portree hotel room might be Viewfield House https://viewfieldhouse.com/ . There are quite a few guest houses and B&Bs in and near Portree, https://www.isleofskye.com/accommodation/bed-breakfast/portree . Self-catering might suit some https://www.isleofskye.com/accommodation/self-catering/portree . There are hostels, "pods" and camp sites, and players might consider hiring a camper van. Jurriaan Dijkman will be playing in the tournament; His place, Givendale, is now offers self-catering rather than B&B https://www.givendale.nl/ .

To register please email us with:

Your given name and surname

Whether you are coming for the Tuesday only, the Wednesday only, or for both days.

Whether you qualify for the concession entry fee (on benefits or on a very low income)

The dan or kyu grade you wish to enter at

If it's your first BGA tournament

Your UK club, if you have one

If you have no UK club and don't live in the UK what country are you from?

Might you be in Portree on any other days than the 13th and 14th of May and would you like to play on the board in the paving?

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