

Club of the Year Competition 2025 - 2026

The aim of the Competition is to, recognise and award the achievements of the SAYFC Clubs in their smooth running, proactive approach, participation and contribution to the Districts, Regions, Association and Community.

ELIGIBILITY

Districts will be invited to select a Club, whom, must be affiliated to the Scottish Association of Young Farmers Clubs. The winning club is ineligible to compete in the following year.

QUALIFICATION PERIOD OF COMPETITION

The competition will be based on the activities and running of the Club for the duration of the Club year. **Therefore the qualifying period of the competition on which assessments are to be made are from Club AGM 2025 to Club AGM 2026**

PROCEDURE

National Final: Two Clubs per Region

The national association will nominate and appoint three judges to assess the two entries put forward from each region based on the following score criteria:

Recruitment & Retention	20
Participation	30
Presence within the community	15
Organisation of the club	15
Innovation	10
General Impression	10

Total/ 100

Clubs will be asked to provide the following supporting documents at the same time as they submit their completed entry form and this will all be sent out to the judges prior to the interview day:

- List of Club Activities or copy of Syllabus (whichever is available)
- Evidence of Minutes
- A promotional video of club (3 – 5 mins max)
- The past three years of accounts

Top two Regional Clubs qualifying to National will be asked to:

- Attend a 20 minute (in person) interview with judges. Three representatives from the club will be asked to attend the interview, this should be made up of two office bearers and one junior member.
- Bring along a presentation to deliver in the interview (5 mins max)

Judges will be asked to focus on the goings on/ activity of the club within the AGM 2025 to AGM 2026 year, and not asked to compare the club year on year.

Regional Eliminations

Each district may enter one club into the Region elimination. Each Region will be responsible for organising their own Interview Dates and it will be up to the Regional Events Manager to circulate this information down to all clubs and districts within the Region. Regions will follow the National final format when possible.

District Eliminations

The respective District Associations will arrange eliminations at District level, with the District Association determining the criteria and method of identifying the Club that will represent them in the Regional Qualifiers.

It is not essential that Districts adopt all, some or any of the assessment criteria that will be implemented at the Regional/National Final. Districts are permitted to utilise any current Club Assessment structure that currently exists within their District.

It is up to each District how they appoint their judges.

AWARDS

National Club of the Year:
1st – Certificate and trophy
2nd – Certificate
3rd – Certificate

Entry Deadline: Monday 25th May 2026

National Final: Sunday 14th June 2026