

Take the bus to Musselburgh Races this New Year

Race goers heading to Musselburgh's New Year's Day jumps meeting can take advantage of chartered buses which will ferry them from Edinburgh city centre and back.

With reduced public transport and no train services running on January 1, the East Lothian track is encouraging racing fans to use the buses which will leave from Waterloo Place at the east end of Princes Street.

As well as appealing to regular race goers the buses could be popular with tourists visiting Edinburgh for New Year and who are looking to take in a sporting event.

The buses must be booked in advance on the Musselburgh Racecourse website www.musselburgh-racecourse.co.uk and tickets cost £5 for the return trip.

Musselburgh Racecourse commercial manager, Sarah Montgomery, said: "We want to make it as easy as possible for people to get to our New Year's Day meeting and these special buses will drop race goers off at the door and whisk them back to the city centre.

"It removes the hassle about driving and we hope visitors will discover that, as well as Edinburgh's wonderful Hogmanay celebrations, the city also has a first class sporting venue on its doorstep."

Buses will leave from outside the Apex Hotel in Waterloo Place at 11am and return at 3.45pm from Millhill Road outside the

racecourse. Tickets must be booked by midnight on Monday December 31.

For more information visit the Musselburgh Racecourse website <http://www.musselburgh-racecourse.co.uk/new-years-day.asp>