Racing for The Edinburgh Cup this summer

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Combining the thrill of horse racing and capital celebrations, one of the most prestigious dates on the Scottish racing calendar, The Edinburgh Cup, is set to return for its fifth year at Musselburgh Racecourse on Saturday 7 June 2014.

Set to draw in crowds of more than 7,500 from across the country, The Edinburgh Cup is renowned as the capital's premier raceday, with 'live' top quality horseracing at Musselburgh and coverage of the Epsom Derby meeting on the big screens and racecourse televisions.

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For the first year ever, Musselburgh Racecourse will be adding to the already delectable hospitality on offer by showcasing some of the capital's most exciting producers and artisan food outlets. The likes of Edinburgh Gin, Well Hung and Tender, Union of Genius, Big Blu Pizza and Country Refreshments will be making mouths water with their culinary creations. All this plus 13 bars lined up to quench racegoers' thirsts with top tipples including the all-important celebratory Pommery fizz!

Making his Musselburgh debut, DJ and television presenter Scott Mills will be taking the party to the next level as the racing draws to a close. Whether celebrating or commiserating their mixed fortunes, racegoers will be able to party into the evening at the *After Racing Party*, ensuring that this year's event, the first of Musselburgh's two *Super Saturdays*, will definitely be a day to remember!

Mary-Ann Sandercock, commercial manager at Musselburgh Racecourse, said: "The Edinburgh Cup has everything; top quality horseracing combined with a great social day out, fantastic food and great entertainment — and racegoers can party on after racing with DJ Scott Mills."

With race day prize money in excess of £140,000, the Edinburgh Cup remains one of Musselburgh's richest flat races and racegoers can enjoy a slice of the action with tickets starting from £25 per person, providing access to all public areas of the racecourse including 13 bars as well as numerous food outlets.

For a more exclusive experience, a host of packages offer an extra touch of luxury to the day. The Picnic Pavilion package (from £50 per person) takes you close to the action as the horses battle their way to the finishing line with a reserved picnic table by the winning line.

Providing an elite marquee facility with a real members club feel, the Edinburgh Cup Club package (from £60 per person) offers VIP access with reserved tables, a dedicated bar with garden area. The Club is located next to the Winning Post, alongside the final half furlong in the centre of the racecourse — you can't get closer to the action.

All day access to 'the place to be and be watched', you'll be sipping on a glass of champers in the Pommery Champagne garden as you take a flutter on your favourites with tote vouchers in the Champagne package (£48.25pp).

For further information or to book please visit www.musselburgh-racecourse.co.uk or call 0131 665 2859.

The lovely photos are courtesy of Rob McDougall.