

Musselburgh Racecourse jumps season ends on a high




The jumps season at Musselburgh Racecourse ended last month with a big jump in attendance numbers over the season. The number of those going to watch racing at Musselburgh rose by 26.7% over the season compared to the same period last year.

Prize money rose by 5% and the number of horses entered for the races also rose by 18%.

The New Year's Day meeting was the most successful to date with a third more attending than in 2014. 5,816 racing enthusiasts were brave enough to get out there on January 1st this year.

Musselburgh Racecourse general manager, Bill Farnsworth, said: "By anyone's standards we have enjoyed a pretty successful jumps season at Musselburgh and its down to a hard working team who invest time, energy and enthusiasm in to making this one of the best racecourses in the UK.

"Prize money is up, attendances grew by more than 25% and the average number of runners increased by 10 horses competing at each race meeting, which all adds to Musselburgh's growing reputation as a top performing venue for National Hunt racing. Yet again, the quality of entries for the Totepool Scottish Cheltenham Trials Race Day was of the highest standard, our New Year Day fixture has come of age with our first 5000-plus attendance, and we are confident we can build on this double success in the next few years."

 Musselburgh is now preparing to make history by kicking off the UK's 2016 turf flat racing season on Good Friday, 25 March, featuring the Royal Mile Trophy. Summer highlights

include the Edinburgh Cup Raceday sponsored by Edinburgh Gin on Saturday 4 June, and Stobo Castle Ladies Day, featuring the £100,000 William Hill Scottish Sprint Cup, on Saturday 11 June, with advance tickets sales ahead of sales last year.

Remember you can still enter our competition to win two tickets worth £50 for the Good Friday meeting at Musselburgh Racecourse. [Click here.](#)