

Easter racing at Musselburgh will have the royal touch

Musselburgh Racecourse is set to add an exciting new fixture to the coming season with the inaugural Easter Saturday raceday on 15 April 2017.



Musselburgh Racecourse's Kirsty Purves looks hot to trot in Her Majesty The Queen's official Royal Silks to mark the launch of new raceday Easter Saturday (15 April 2017) which will feature the £100,000 Queen's Cup. This exhilarating new flat race has been given the royal approval by Her Majesty following her visit to Musselburgh Racecourse during its bicentenary celebrations. Adults and groups in search of a great social day out over the holiday weekend will enjoy an Easter spectacular of first-class racing. Adding a touch of sporting royalty to the raceday proceedings, Judy Murray will be in attendance to enjoy the first ever Easter Saturday fixture and present the Queen's Cup. Early Bird tickets are on sale until 31 March 2017, offering a £10 saving on adult tickets (raceday price £30), with children under 17 admitted free. For more information on available packages and to book Advance Tickets for £20 visit: www.musselburgh-racecourse.co.uk

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A true racing aficionado in her own right with a proud history, The Queen has a longstanding relationship with Musselburgh Racecourse, visiting many times over the years. Having opened the Queen's Stand back in 1995, Her Majesty returned last year on the racecourse's 200th anniversary to present the specially commissioned Bi-Centenary Cup and discuss plans for the newly appointed Queen's Cup with Musselburgh Racecourse chief executive Bill Farnsworth.

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She commented: "I love the excitement of a day at the races. The mix of the strength and speed of the horses, the skill and colour of the jockeys and the roar from the stands, makes it a fantastic sporting day out. It's a real thrill to have been invited to present the first ever Queen's Cup and I've no doubt it's going to be a contest to remember."

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Aisling Johnston, marketing manager, Musselburgh Racecourse, added: "We're thrilled to add this new fixture to our 2017 season and to host the Queen's Cup in honour of Her Majesty is a real privilege. It's set to be real highlight in what's already shaping up to be a fantastic year of racing here at Musselburgh Racecourse."

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