

## Trainers Letter

Dear Trainer,

A very warm welcome back to Worcester Racecourse, for a greatly missed Summer Jumps season. With less than 1 week until our gates are back open, we look forward to kickstarting on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May for our Kings Coronation Big Bank Holiday Family Raceday.

From us all here at Worcester Racecourse, we wish you all a very enjoyable and successful Season; and certainly hope we can welcome you to our Winning Connections during the Season.

Unfortunately, we are opening with a rather heavy heart, as our greatly anticipated new weighing room has been delayed. The whole project has been hampered due to a number of floods this Winter; with the biggest being the first which encased the whole course right at the very start of the project which took a few weeks to recover. Additionally to this, as the excavation work and new footprint of the redevelopment is that much lower now; it has been susceptible to flooding due to higher river levels.

However, looking ahead and more positively, we are in a good position to get going and throughout this season you will certainly see the progress; and the brand new weighing room will be completed later this summer.

With the size of the new weighing room; the site alone has taken up plenty of space with our course. Worcester Racecourse will look rather different this year; so please bare with us as we very much feel it is a case of short-term pain for a long-term gain. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your patience, but it will certainly be worth it!

What will be most notable will be the Parade Ring. As mentioned above, the development site has temporarily encroached into the Parade Ring and therefore we have had to reduce this in size. Please do bare this in mind when on site and be extra vigilant at all times when entering the Parade Ring. Although we will have additionally security and safety support to manage the area, please do remind all those attending to be more attentive than usual, particularly if using the pre-parade ring. We will certainly be managing this area not only by a race-by-race basis, but also fixture-by-fixture.

Our temporary weighing room has been reinstated, almost identically to last year, so I trust there will not be too much disruption.

We are all continuously working hard to ensure that all those who attend Worcester Racecourse enjoy their day. We are very much looking forward to welcoming you back to Croft Suite where you can enjoy a wonderful selection of seasonal dishes, complimentary tea and coffee and a full pay bar facilities.

I would like to once again thank you all for your patience and wish you all a very successful 2023 Season. Should you have any queries, please do email on [mthomas@worcester-racecourse.co.uk](mailto:mthomas@worcester-racecourse.co.uk) or if you prefer, you may call me on 07970 828757.

Yours sincerely,

Michael Thomas.