

## **Osberton Moves to Thoresby for One Year Only**

Due to unprecedented circumstances the prestigious autumn event, Osberton International Horse Trials – October 8 to 11 - will take place at Thoresby Park just six miles down the road.

Thoresby Estate is home to The Eventing Spring Carnival, which was due to be held for the first time in March 2020, and the team at Thoresby has welcomed the opportunity to take on this autumn three-day event for 2020 as a one off relocation. This change in the location is required due to COVID-19 concerns arising from the close proximity of the event at Osberton to the estate community living in Scofton Village.

Run by the team at BEDE Events, Osberton International Horse Trials is highly regarded in the calendar and is home to the British Eventing Young Horse Championships.

BEDE's Stuart Buntine commented: "During these difficult and uncertain times we are delighted to announce that the competition planned for Osberton will be going ahead, albeit at a different venue.

"We fully understand the COVID Secure concerns at Osberton Estate and we are all looking forward to a fantastic event at Thoresby which can better accommodate the event during these extraordinary times.

"There has been much to do and final plans are still being implemented, but we will announce the full timetable shortly."

Ralph Foljambe of Osberton Estate added: "Given that Thoresby were 'robbed' of their first event in March due to COVID, Becky and I are thrilled that the estates can work together in this way. It achieves the best result for the sport in these unprecedented times. We will much look forward to 2021 when two separate events can be held at Thoresby and at Osberton as was intended in 2020."

Gregor Pierrepont of Thoresby Park said: "In this exceptional year, holding the event at Thoresby is very much a one off, but we are very pleased to be able to step in and we will be on hand to support Stuart and the team and to make the horse trials a great success."

The change of venue has also had the full backing of British Eventing with CEO Jude Matthews adding: "It is fantastic that the competition due to take place at Osberton, including the British Eventing Young Horse Championships, are able to run thanks to co-operation and so many people working together. We would like to thank Thoresby for stepping in with use of the estate facilities. The decision to change venue has taken place at very short notice and we are grateful that this key fixture is not lost from the 2020 calendar due to Coronavirus."

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