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Emily Timney
Head of Events

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Hi Emily, can you give us a brief overview of The Bath & West Showground please?

The Bath & West Showground is a 240-acre events venue in the Somerset countryside, combining scale, flexibility and proven infrastructure. We host everything from festivals and large public events to trade shows and conferences with a difference.



Our mix of exhibition halls, meeting rooms and a theatre, alongside extensive outdoor space, gives organisers the freedom to design events that are both impactful and adaptable.

With established roadways, multiple access points and the ability to zone the site, we make complex events feel straightforward - while offering a setting that stands apart from more traditional venues.



Tell us a bit about your role and how your team look after your clients so well

As Head of Events, I lead both our own shows and the wide range of external events we host. With over 20 years in the industry, my focus is on making events easier to deliver - and better to experience.

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We work closely with our clients from first enquiry through to pack-down, offering practical advice, quick solutions and consistent support. Plans change, and we're set up to respond.

My team is experienced, approachable and proactive. We understand what it takes to deliver a successful event and we stay focused on getting the detail right.

Why are you guys such a good option for event planners to consider?

Because we offer flexibility without compromise. You can create something distinctive - whether that's a festival-style event, a large public show, or a conference that breaks the mould.

The combination of indoor and outdoor space allows events to be more dynamic and scalable. Clients come back because we make it work. We're practical, responsive and easy to work with, backed by a site that can deliver at scale.



What's new? Anything exciting to tell us about?

The Bath & West Showground is continuing its exciting programme of improvements across its 240-acre site, enhancing facilities and delivering better infrastructure for clients and events. New solar panel installations have been completed, supporting cleaner energy use and boosting the site's efficiency.



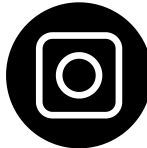
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The Showground is constantly updating its spaces to create a smoother, more enjoyable experience for organisers and visitors alike.

For the first quarter of the year, a new flock of sheep has joined the Showground as delightful, eco-friendly lawn mowers, helping to keep the grounds tidy. With constant improvements and a focus on responsible stewardship, the Showground is shaping a more sustainable future for every visitor.



You can find out more about The Bath & West Showground here:





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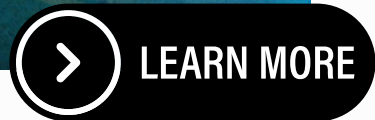
Clare Marsden
Regional Event Sales Manager

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Hi Clare, can you give us a brief overview of Arena Racing Company - Doncaster Racecourse please?

Doncaster Racecourse is renowned for its exceptional conference & exhibition facilities in the South Yorkshire region



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Tell us a bit about your role and how your team look after your clients so well

I oversee non-racing sales across 7 of ARC's Racecourses. My team and I handle all non-racing enquiries and propose what we believe to be the best workable option for them.



We listen carefully to their event briefs and work within their budgets and pride ourselves on the high number of returning clients.

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It sounds cliché, but we are a blank canvas event space. The perfect venue for planners seeking a flexible, distinctive and central venue in the UK to host exhibitions, conferences, meetings and events.

With over 50 event spaces ranging from a 3400m² exhibition space, to a Boardroom for 20 and everything inbetween. We pride ourselves on connecting with our clients, bringing their vision to life, creating memorable events.



What's new? Anything exciting to tell us about?

Après Village - The Ultimate Christmas Party for 2026! Our brand new Christmas party concept, designed to create a more immersive, energetic, activity led environment, delivering a fantastic Christmas party experience.

We are offering two dining options, allowing guests to choose between a traditional 3 course meal or festive street food, dependent on the dates they choose.



We are also offering a VIP area, with elevated views of the main stage and premium touches including bottomless champagne

You can find out more about Arena Racing Company - Doncaster Racecourse here:





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Kyran Le Chevalier

Event Sales Manager

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Hi Kyran, can you give us a brief overview of Event Exeter | University of Exeter please?

On the surface, the University of Exeter may not appear unusual, but what makes Event Exeter stand out from the crowd is the sheer flexibility of our venues, our talented teams and of course the stunning location in the heart of Devon.



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Our unique collection of eventing spaces, both indoor and outdoor, ranges from historic houses to state-of-the-art lecture theatres, all of which sit within a vast green campus just a stone's throw from beautiful beaches and dramatic rugged moorland.

Tell us a bit about your role and how your team look after your clients so well

As Event Sales Manager, I'm passionate about bringing people to Exeter, bringing our venues to life and ensuring that everyone has an amazing experience.



I believe there is a common misconception that academic venues are dull and uninspiring and it's down to me and my team to dispel that myth.

From the word go, every client and every event is treated as a new opportunity, a chance to get creative and exceed expectations again.



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Our beautiful green campus is a mini city made for events. With a diverse portfolio of venues, over 6,000 bedrooms on site, our very own pub, nightclub, outdoor pool and sports park, once you arrive there's really no reason to leave.

Of course, being situated in one of England's most diverse counties does have its perks. Our delegate programmes are never short of ideas – from surfing to wine tasting, hiking to cathedral tours, guests are never short of things to do.

But what really brings people back? It has to be our fantastic teams and their seamless delivery. Our clients trust us to get it right every time.



What's new? Anything exciting to tell us about?

We're incredibly proud of our continuous efforts to embed sustainability at the heart of everything we do. From plant-first menus to responsible sourcing and ethical procurement, every aspect of hospitality supports our environmental goals.

The standout 'unusual' feature for us has to be our very own kitchen garden – a joint venture dreamed up by our grounds and catering teams.



In the last year alone over two tonnes of organic produce has been cultivated, delivered to our in-house chefs and incorporated into our seasonal delegate menus, creating a truly integrated farm-to-fork system on campus.

Want to bring your event idea to life? Take a look at our video [HERE](#) and find out more



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