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NORTH EAST OF SCOTLAND'S LARGEST EQUESTRIAN FACILITY OPENS

The doors have opened on the largest combined equestrian facility in the North East of Scotland at The Cabin Equestrian Centre, Keithhall, Inverurie.

Phase one – the 80m x 40m silica sand and rubber arena by Equestrian Surfaces – officially opened on May 12 for a two day Andrew Hamilton showjumping clinic with over 90 riders taking part. To celebrate this first event, 25 Riding Club and Pony Club committee members attended a cheese and wine evening overlooking the arena action.

Phase two of the all-new Cabin Equestrian Centre – an 67m x 30m indoor arena complete with Turfloat surface, viewing gallery and café area – will open its doors at the end of July.

This new centre will play home to a full calendar of year round BSJA evening and weekend shows, unaffiliated shows and evening leagues, working hunter training shows, clinics, Riding Club and Pony Club events and the existing Riding School business, all within a three tier development of indoor school, outdoor arena and lorry/carpark.

The Cabin Equestrian Centre owner Fiona Quennell explained: "We feel we have a fabulous setting here and really want to put The Cabin on the map as a premier equestrian facility. There isn't anything like this in the north of Scotland for competing.

"As well as having the Riding Centre here and the competition facilities, we are looking to build a cross country course down the line as our Phase Three. We have a lot of acreage here and off road hacking so it would be ideal."

The Cabin Equestrian Centre started in 2006 as a riding school under the direction of Fiona who has over 25 years experience in equestrian related businesses. The Cabin dog grooming salon is also an integral part of the business.

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Notes to editors:

- The first BSJA show will be held on the evening of Tuesday, June 30, the second on Sunday, July 19.
- The first evening competition was held on Wednesday, May 20 with clear round showjumping from 5pm to 6pm and the minimus league starting at 6pm. Future dates are June 17, July 1, 15 and 29, August 12 and 26 etc.
- The first evening dressage league was held on Wednesday, May 27 with three classes – Intro league, prelim league and novice league. Future dates are June 10 and 24, July 8 and 22, August 5 and 19, September 2, 16 and 30 etc.
- Working hunter training shows will be held on June 11, July 9 and July 23.