



BUCCLEUCH
GROUP

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Dear Sir,

The Buccleuch Group is the family owned business which operates all businesses on behalf of the Duke of Buccleuch and encompasses a range of traditional rural estates, historic houses and grade one listed landscapes of historic significance. Protecting the heritage of Buccleuch is intrinsic to our activities, and part of my commercial role is to seek safe and sympathetic partnerships with external promoters to mount commercially successful events. In 2012 I took the decision to host two Tough Mudder events at Boughton House and Drumlanrig Castle. Boughton House and Park is regarded as one of the top five historically important houses in Britain and its grade one listed landscape is of particular importance. Drumlanrig Castle is an important example of late 17th century Renaissance architecture set within the 90,000 acre Queensberry Estate in Scotland.

We found Tough Mudder a well established company with a good track record in the US, sensitive to our needs, courteous to our in house staff, and able to work closely alongside them in the planning, execution, and rectification phases of the two events they held on our sites within the UK. They have worked hard to ensure that any negative impact on the environment was minimized and that anything that did require reinstatement was completed entirely as we would have wished. This enabled us to complete a full diary of activities on our estates following their event unhindered.

In my view Tough Mudder is well able to embrace the responsibility of operating in sensitive and historically significant venues, and as a result we will be welcoming them back to our estates in 2013 and beyond.

Yours faithfully

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