

*A letter from Her Majesty The Queen,
Patron of The Royal International Horse Show*



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To become a centenarian is an occasion for celebration. For a horse show to have achieved 100 years through the tumultuous years of the last century is truly a great achievement.

To have survived the swings in public interest, the change in the status of the horse - from a position in everyday life to the service of leisure and sport - or the dreadful toll of two world wars, is a mark of its popularity and its importance.

The Royal International Horse Show has held a special place in the hearts of so many people who have a love of horses. One can only hope that horses will continue to command public affection over the decades to come. I extend my congratulations for a great celebration of the last century and my best wishes for the future.

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