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North-west engineering company Expleo announces sponsorship of Manor House Stables

Expleo, UK, 9 June 2023. Expleo, the engineering technology and consultancy provider with its UK head office in the north-west, is now a partnership-level sponsor of Michael Owen's Cheshire-based Manor House Stables.

The partnership is the first sponsorship agreement between the elite racehorse training facility and Expleo, a signal of the engineering company's ambition to increase its presence in the local area.

Jeff Hoyle, Managing Director of Expleo UK and Global EVP of Aero, Space and Defence said: *"We're incredibly proud to be working with another north-west based business that has built a reputation in its field for excellence and shares our values around creating local jobs, developing its employees and attracting business to the region."*

Formed in 2017, Expleo currently employs around 1200 people in the UK and expects this to grow to 1700 by the end of 2023. It employs more than 300 technical experts at its UK head office in Preston, working on complex engineering projects for clients in aerospace, marine and automotive.

The partnership with Manor House Stables will see it run exclusive on-site events for business clients and its branding will appear on horse boxes, yard clothing and across the yard itself. Expleo will also sponsor several events at Chester Races later this year, in a further partnership with a local business.

Manor House Stables was acquired by England footballing legend Michael Owen in 2007 and over several years, turned into the world-class facility it is today. The yard, located in Malpas, Cheshire covers more than 170 acres and includes an owner's lounge, range of gallops, state-of-the-art veterinary facilities and an indoor equine swimming pool.

Owen was joined by Classic winning trainer Hugo Palmer in March 2022 and together the duo has grown the yard into a thriving business that currently accommodates 120 racehorses and recently celebrated winning the Dukhan Sprint with Flaming Rib at Doha, Qatar.

Michael Owen, owner of Manor House Stables, said: *“After family and football horseracing is a major passion of mine and it’s been my great pleasure to be able to connect that passion to investing in a business here in the north-west. It’s equally important to me that our sponsors also have a significant presence in the north-west, which makes Expleo the perfect fit for us, and we are very much looking forwards to working with the team over the coming months.”*

Expleo’s Graham Younger, VP of Aerospace, said: *“We’re as invested in the region as Michael and his team, sharing an ambition to raise the profile of the north-west as a great place to do business. Our partnership is all about showcasing the best of the region to our clients, increasing inward investment and putting a spotlight on all the north-west has to offer.”*

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About Expleo

Expleo is a global engineering, technology and consulting service provider that partners with leading organisations to guide them through their business transformation, helping them achieve operational excellence and future-proof their businesses.

Expleo benefits from more than 40 years of experience developing complex products, optimising manufacturing processes, and ensuring the quality of information systems.

Leveraging its deep sector knowledge and wide-ranging expertise in fields including AI engineering, digitalisation, hyperautomation, cybersecurity and data science, the group’s mission is to fast-track innovation through each step of the value chain.

As a responsible and diverse organisation, Expleo is committed to doing business with integrity and working towards a more sustainable and secure society.

Expleo boasts an extensive global footprint, powered by 17,000 highly-skilled experts delivering value in 30 countries and generating more than €1 billion in revenue.

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About Manor House Stables

Manor House Stables, located just outside Malpas, Cheshire, is a thoroughbred horse racing establishment owned by Michael Owen. Hugo Palmer currently operates as the Trainer at the yard, responsible for the education and racing activities of up to 120 horses.

The stables were converted from a working cattle farm nearly 15 years ago and began with 20 horses in training – the brainchild of Michael Owen looking to fulfil a lifelong passion of owning racehorses. Since then, the growth of the yard has been exponential to the outstanding equine facilities on offer today, ensuring flat racehorses have every chance to reach their potential, under expert guidance.

Owning racehorses is a pleasure that has been enjoyed for hundreds of years. Nowadays, there are many different forms of ownership, from partnerships, syndicates, and racing clubs, which mean that it is no longer exclusively the preserve of the super-rich. Owners are always welcome to visit the yard and watching the horses work on the gallops is a big part of the pleasure in owning horses.

Manor House Stables provides opportunities for all.

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