

SEPTEMBER 2017 NEWSLETTER

NEW BEGINNINGS FOR THE NEW SEASON

EDRADYNATE ESTATE

LOOKS FORWARD

TO A NEW ERA IN ITS

SPORTING LIFE

SOME NEW FACES AND MAJOR CHANGES FOR EDRADYNATE.

WITH THE GROUSE SEASON FIRMLY UNDER WAY, FOR THE PHEASANT AND PARTRIDGE SHOOTS, THOUGHTS ARE FIRMLY FOCUSED ON THE LAST MINUTE PREPARATIONS FOR THEIR SEASON'S OPENING.

Edradynate Estate is no exception – with perhaps an interesting twist. This year sees a new era commence for the estate with the arrival of new HeadKeeper Ian

Smith and Underkeeper Ciaran Woodman-Robinson.

Ian joins us from the West Coast of Scotland (Glenstriven Estate) and Ciaran more locally from Kinnaird. Since their arrival in February,

the ground, pens and drives have been completely rethought and re-worked to alter the shape and ethos of the shooting and this has brought incredibly exciting new opportunities for the re-introduction of smaller scale partridge drives.

Access roads have been created giving the chance for the gun line to tackle the birds from an entirely new perspective and also improve opportunities for the picking up team to retrieve previously hard to reach quarry.

The Beater's transport has been upgraded to a specially adapted ex-army vehicle to enable the "troops" to journey between drives in more comfort and safety. Two

Toyota HiLux pickups are now the "keepers wheels" plus a new and improved game cart. With Ciaran now resident in the converted former Lunch Bothy, a new Beater's Lunch Room has been created behind the kennels at the Coach House.

The Garden Flat has been renovated to provide additional accommodation for guests and family in keeping with the décor and feel of Edradynate House. Vicki Smith (Ian's wife) has joined the Estate

> in the role of Housekeeper with some Estate administrative responsibilities and Susan Mackinnon will be sharing Chef duty with Jenny MacLeod this year. Brian Low continues to keep the Policies looking smart and Mark Myles

has done great work with the garden. Martin and Drew Kennedy who, between them, farm the entire Estate have been immensely helpful with all aspects of the shoot especially the new game crops that we have this year.

Looking forward to seeing you all in the coming months.



Michael Campbell September 2017



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We are also on Facebook and Twitter. These valuable online tools represent an important way for us to stay in touch with friends of the Estate, guests and new visitors alike. We're always looking to add new material throughout the year to keep the content and feel fresh.

So if during a visit or a shoot you happen to take pictures that you'd like to see published on the site or on the Facebook page then please do send them to Vicki at housekeeper@edradynateestate.com for potential inclusion.

LUXURY COUNTRY House to let

Don't forget: Edradynate House is available for let with 9 bedrooms, 8 of which are now en-suite.