

## JEDWARD IN X FACTOR LINE-UP AT CARLISLE RACECOURSE

Terrible twins Jedward are to perform live at an X Factor concert at Carlisle Racecourse this summer.

The blonde-quiffed, big-haired duo – John and Edward Grimes – will join three other headline acts from the hit TV show at the racecourse's meeting on Sunday July 25.

Runner-up Olly Murs and fellow finalists Jamie Archer and Lucie Jones will also perform at the open-air Carlisle Live event, which is being sponsored by the Carlisle-based Stobart Group.

And Jedward, the most controversial act in X Factor's latest series, will be joining them on stage after an afternoon's Flat racing and family fun day at the Durdar track.

John Baker, the racecourse's managing director, said: "It is going to be great to have Jedward performing here. Love them or loathe them, they will add a real sense of fun to our X Factor meeting, which looks like being a big success with the line-up we now have."

Despite not winning X Factor, the 18-year-old identical twins from Dublin arguably have the highest profile of all the acts from the latest series of Simon Cowell's phenomenally successful show. The former public schoolboys, with their trademark backcombed, gelled and sprayed hair and garish outfits, had initially been dismissed as "vile" by Cowell, who said he detested their arrogance.

But the X Factor guru later got rid of 18-year-old Lucie, who is also appearing at Carlisle, by casting his deciding vote in favour of Jedward in the finals, a decision which prompted thousands of complaints from TV viewers.

The X Factor acts will take to the stage after the last race, which starts at 5.20pm. The first race gets underway at 1.50pm.

Tickets for the Carlisle Live X Factor concert, including racing, from £12 for adults and children aged 4-16 £5, 3yrs and under are free. You can purchase tickets by calling 0844 579 3002 or on [www.carlisle-races.co.uk](http://www.carlisle-races.co.uk)

3 years and under - Free

4-16 - £5

17 & Over - Full Price

14 yr old's and under must be accompanied by someone 17 years old or over

Meanwhile, more than 5,000 tickets have already been sold for the CFM Summer Family Festival featuring Jools Holland and his Rhythm and Blues Orchestra, with guest vocalist Alison Moyet, at Carlisle Racecourse on Saturday July 3. The turnout for this event is expected to surpass the racecourse's biggest ever crowd of 8,000 to see Tony Hadley.