

## Blunt to head up new Sportscover Specialty Lines division

As part of its continuing diversification into specialist areas of business, Sportscover syndicate 3334 is pleased to announce the creation of a specialty lines division with effect from 5<sup>th</sup> April 2012.

The new division will initially comprise the existing bloodstock and contingency lines of business with Robin Blunt, Senior Underwriter, heading up the team, supported by Ben Wiggins and Ally Halstead.

Robin Blunt's considerable market experience means Sportscover can continue to develop the syndicate's presence and profile in the existing contingency and bloodstock market and focus on delivering innovative insurance solutions in other specialist areas. Ben Wiggins will assume the position of Contingency Underwriter and take on the day to day responsibility for the contingency portfolio. Ally Halstead will continue in her current role, supporting the team across both classes.

Robin Blunt said, "I am looking forward to the new role. Whilst primarily a Bloodstock Underwriter, I have a wide and varied experience across speciality lines of business including contingency, and so I am looking forward to the new challenge of heading up the team immensely."

Murray Anderson, Active Underwriter for syndicate 3334 commented, "We have enjoyed tremendous support from brokers over the past few years, enabling us to build a significant and growing book of contingency business. Sportscover are always looking at opportunities to develop other areas of business and so it is therefore logical to bring these specialist lines under one roof".

The advent of the new division represents an important step in the evolution of the syndicate's operations and will provide the foundation for future expansion into other complementary areas.

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