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Laura Robson to become Rothesay Open Tournament Director

The LTA has today announced that Laura Robson is to become the Tournament Director at next year's Rothesay Open, Nottingham.

The 28-year-old will be taking up the role of Tournament Director at the Rothesay Open and also at an additional combined ITF event planned for April 2023. At the Rothesay Open she will be working alongside respected LTA Tournament Director Rebecca James, who is moving to oversee the operational delivery of both the Rothesay Open and Rothesay International Eastbourne.

Laura has been working with the LTA on developing her knowledge of event operations and tournament management over the past 18 months, including onsite experience at the cinch Championships at The Queens Club, Rothesay Open at Nottingham and more recently as Tournament Director of the women's ITF \$25,000 in Loughborough.

"I've really enjoyed the opportunity to work on tournaments over the last year and a half with colleagues from the LTA. It will be brilliant to return to Nottingham as Tournament Director for the Rothesay Open. As a former player in the event and now looking at it through an operational lens, I have a whole new appreciation of the work that goes into delivering a world class tournament and can't wait to get started on preparations for 2023."

The former British number one announced her retirement from the professional game earlier this year due to wrist and hip injuries but has since pursued a successful career in the broadcast industry, working with the BBC, BT Sport and Prime Video. Robson, junior Wimbledon champion and Olympic silver medallist, rose as high as 27 in the WTA rankings in July 2013, and reached the last 16 at both Wimbledon and the US Open.

It has also been announced today that Laura Robson has taken up a role in the Professional Tennis team at the AELTC working on international player relations.

The Rothesay Open Nottingham is one of the many tournaments that make up the LTA's enhanced Performance Competition Calendar, which aims to provide more opportunities for British players to compete more often domestically at a higher level and make progressive ranking improvements. The 2023 competition will take place from 12-18 June at the Nottingham Tennis Centre.

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