



# TWEENHILLS TIMES

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## QUARTET OF STALLIONS READY TO ROCK AND ROLL

This handsome quartet of young sires is ready for the upcoming covering season at Tweenhills.

The stud welcomes back **Charm Spirit**, who returns for a second season at Tweenhills having stood at Haras De Bonneval in 2016 as part of an arrangement with HH The Aga Khan.

Charm Spirit stands alongside **Harbour Watch**, whose oldest crop are now three-year-olds, **Havana Gold**, whose initial foals make their racing debuts this year, and **Hot Streak**, whose first foals are just being born.

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### STAFF PROFILE

**Harry Hughes-Onslow**  
Stud hand

#### A Grand project...

I preferred rugby to riding while at school, but my father took me to the see the Grand National when I was about 11 and I became hooked. Knee injuries ended the rugby ambitions. I joined Tweenhills just after Christmas – David calls me his 'project'.

#### Whoa, rewind...

Brought up in Dorset, I went to Anthony Penfold's Bugley Stud after school and learned the basics before joining the National Stud course. From there I headed to Australia and worked for Coolmore before joining Bart Cummings, and then did a year with Graham Motion in the USA. Working for trainers is a good way to meet people – it's harder to do that on a stud farm.

#### Racing, not breeding?

I want to keep a balance between the two. A racing manager's job would be good, but for now I'm looking forward to getting going on the bloodstock side, and I'm hoping to buy some bloodstock with friends this year. Fillies out of training is one aim – to pinhook foals you need an eye and a lot of luck, but I'd look at that area, too.

### REBECCA IN TOP 50

Lady Rebecca, David Redvers' 400gns first auction purchase who became a three-time Grade One winner over hurdles, made the top 50 in the Racing Post's recent 'Queens of the Turf' series.

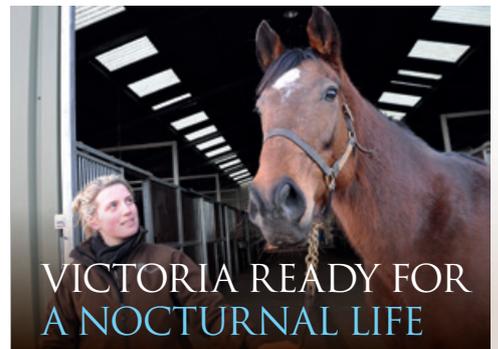
David said of the Venetia Williams-trained mare: "For all the thousands of horses that have been through my hands I don't think there will be another who holds quite such a place."

Lady Rebecca died in 2013, but the legacy lives on – her daughter, the Williams-trained Lady Karina, recently won over hurdles, while the Tom Lacey-trained Mary Eleanor could be on the track soon.

### SPY IN THE SKY

Tweenhills' security has been further tightened by a state-of-the-art camera system which beams pictures from around the stud back to the office, and to mobile devices carried by senior staff.

New cameras have been positioned at key locations, and means the premises can now be surveyed in high-definition around the clock.



Tweenhills' foaling manager Victoria Macauley was preparing for some late nights as we went to press.

Macauley, pictured with maiden mare Just The Judge who was due to foal to Dubawi in late January, said before the stud's first arrival of 2017: "It's always nice to get the first one on the ground, and from there it just rolls on. I don't sit up on night watch, but once a mare is ready to foal I'm called and will attend every foaling."

### SMASHING ZOUSTARS

Exciting young sire Zoustar, who is owned in a partnership involving Qatar Bloodstock and Australia's Widden and Woodside Park Studs – where he stands alternate seasons – achieved some memorable results at the recent, five-day Magic Millions Gold Coast Yearling Sale.

Sheikh Fahad and David Redvers were present, and, on day two, as we were going to press, they joined forces with Zoustar's former trainer, Chris Waller, to buy colts by the sire for Aus\$510,000, \$450,000 and \$400,000.

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