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LADIES COMPLETE GAUCHO DERBY!



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STAFF PROFILE

Werner Aucamp Farm Manager

Tell us about your upbringing...

I grew up on a farm – beef and dairy – in Dundee, KwaZulu Natal, South Africa. I try to go home every 3 years with my family, and also on my own in between – if I can – to spend time with my brother on his beef and game farm.

And how is Tweenhills life?

Well, I've been here 8 years now. We are currently in the middle of calving and have already reached our goal of 65% cows to have calved in the first 3 weeks. We are also in the process of getting all the fields and fences ready for turning animals out. We have three bulls for sale too.

What about away from the farm?

Well I live on one of the Tweenhills farms so I'm never far away. I 'braai' whenever the weather allows – I like smoking meat at home. I play golf in the summer and watch rugby; naturally I support Gloucester. I'm going to take my daughter Chloe to play cricket this year. We are so proud of The Ledbury Ladies - Laura Redvers and Louise Daly - who finished joint-6th of 16 in the inaugural Gaucho Derby in mid-March, despite the race almost being abandoned after a ferocious snow storm early on.

Laura said: "The race was the easy part – getting home proved much harder! I can't quite put into words what an adventure it was from start to finish. We definitely saw Patagonia in all its glory – good and bad – and we certainly experienced the real Gaucho culture... out of necessity!"

The Ladies raised over £10,500 for the Midlands Air Ambulance – a big thank you to all their supporters.

FESTIVAL TRIUMPH

Congratulations to long-time Tweenhills friend – and Qatar Racing's Irish Representative – **Peter Molony** who enjoyed a fantastic Cheltenham Festival. Peter is racing manager for Kenny Alexander whose **Honeysuckle** and **Elfile** finished first and third in the Gr.1 Mares' Hurdle.



Also at the Festival, **Navajo Pass** (pictured) finished fourth in the **Gr.1** Triumph Hurdle – he'd been bought with the race in mind as a yearling by **David Redvers** for owner Tim Leslie.

IN SAFE HANDS



Here's a photo from our friends at Culworth Grounds – **Charlie Redvers** on hand to give some expert care for the delivery of a **Hot Streak** colt.

NEXT GENERATION



Watch out Champ! A day to remember for young pony racer **Joe Leavy** as he meets his hero **Oisin Murphy**.



Happy babies! Finally the rains subsided long enough for us to get our older foals out on the grass.