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HAVANA GOLD COLTS SHINE



Havana Gold x Grace And Glory colt (credit: Tattersalls)

Four colts from the second crop of Tweenhills stallion Havana Gold were sold for six-figure sums at Tattersalls' Book 2 Sale in Newmarket in October...

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Sheikh Hamdan Al Maktoum's Shadwell Estates Company bought three for a combined 550,000 guineas. They included a Coln Valley Stud-consigned colt out of Grace And Glory, a full sister to four-time Gr. 1 winner Fame And Glory secured for 250,000 guineas. Sheikh Hamdan is already the owner of an exciting Havana Gold colt in Tabdeed.

Another keen Havana Gold supporter – for very good reason – is trainer Karl Burke who paid 140,000 guineas for a chesnut full brother to his Gr. 3 winner and Gr. 1-placed juvenile Havana Grey. Like his older brother, the colt was consigned by Mickley Stud.

Havana Gold's 2018 stud fee is £15,000 October 1st SLF, which looks extraordinarily good value based on these results.



STAFF PROFILE

Nick Tidyman Assistant Farm Manager

Lasting friendships...

I've been working on and off for Tweenhills for five years. I used to do a lot of agricultural contracting and then David – who I've known for 20 years – suggested I became a permanent member of the team. I work closely with Farm Manager Werner Aucamp and if it's broken, we'll fix it!

Helping drive progress...

I really enjoy the fact that Tweenhills is progressing and David is doing so well. It's certainly changed a heck of a lot since the Lady Rebecca days – and it was fascinating to see her final foal, Mary Eleanor, return to the racecourse recently. It's great to be part of a successful team.

Outside of work...

I play rugby for Westbury-on-Severn also do a lot of deer stalking, often with David which is always entertaining! I'm married to Tanya – who has also worked at Tweenhills – and we are the proud parents of a little boy and little girl, Samuel and Elsa. Samuel loves coming to Tweenhills to feed and pet the big bull.

GLOUCESTER Rugby comes To tweenhills

On Saturday 30 September, the Gloucester Rugby squad, coaches, managers and their families came to Tweenhills for a BBQ Family Day.

Gloucester Rugby Performance Chef Will Carvalho feeds the team on Tweenhills' Aberdeen Angus Beef and he cooked everything at the event on the BBQ. The team got to see where the beef comes from, which is next door to Hartpury College where they train every day.



The team meet the cows

Tweenhills' stallions were paraded, as were Just The Judge and her Dubawi foal and Simple Verse, and more fun was provided by a bouncy castle, face painting and balloon sculpting. What's more, Qatar Racing's two-year-old colt Roaring Lion maintained his unbeaten record in the Gr. 2 Royal Lodge Stakes at Newmarket the same afternoon.

SHEIKH FAHAD Doubles up

Sheikh Fahad won the final leg of the Corinthian Challenge Charity Race Series at Leopardstown on Sunday October 22 for the second year running.

After taking the corresponding race on Labaik in 2016, Sheikh Fahad again successfully teamed up with Gordon Elliott when riding his own Brutal to victory. The success gave Qatar Racing and the trainer a charity race double as Pallasator had won the John Shortt Legends Challenge Race at Punchestown only days before under Norman Williamson.

Sheikh Fahad edged three-year-old Brutal to the front at the top of the home straight and the pair won by a length and three quarters. It was a third success in the saddle for Sheikh Fahad as he also won the 2016 Town Plate on Newmarket on board Almagest.



Sheikh Fahad wins on Brutal (credit: Leopardstown RC)