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STUD GROOM ROISIN CLOSE WINS TBA AWARD

2009 got off to a great start for Tweenhills, with the stud winning two TBA Awards at their annual event in January. Tweenhills' stud groom, Roisin Close, received huge applause as the deserving winner of the TBA Annual Stud Staff Award, sponsored by New England Stud.

Roisin has been with the stud for 10 years, during which time it has expanded significantly. She started out looking after Tweenhills' stallions and helping with sales preparation but was soon appointed stud groom.

Stud manager, David Redvers was equally delighted for her, adding: "Roisin thoroughly deserves this recognition having made a huge contribution to the stud's growth and success. She eats, breathes and sleeps the job and is a vital cog in the operation."



Roisin Close wins the TBA Annual Stud Staff Award

TBA AWARD FOR LUCKY STORY TOO

Lucky Story received the second TBA Award for Tweenhills, winning the Tattersalls Silver Salver as the leading British-based first season Flat sire in 2008.

He achieved six individual winners of 10 races and total prize money of £165,419. His best performer was Art Connoisseur, successful in the Gr.2 Coventry Stakes at Royal Ascot and runner-up in the Gr.1 Phoenix Stakes. Lucky Story stands at Tweenhills on behalf of Darley.

David Redvers said: "I'm thrilled because it is a hard job competing with higher profile, more expensive stallions so it is great for a small value horse to come through."

Lucky Story went one better than another Tweenhills' sire, Ishiguru, who was runner up for this award in 2006 after Hellvelyn also won the Coventry Stakes and was second in the Phoenix Stakes.

Lucky Story is filling up fast – call Hannah to book a nomination.



TWEENHILLS TO PLUNDER FRENCH PRIZES

A Tweenhills Racing 2009 Syndicate has been put together with a view to exploiting both the weak market and the remarkable opportunities for prize-money in France.

Tweenhills Racing XV comprises of three two-year-old fillies including one to be trained in France. For more details contact the office or visit www.tweenhillsracing.co.uk

ISHIGURU'S INTERNATIONAL SUCCESS

Ishiguru returned home recently from the Southern Hemisphere flushed with International success. In addition to Natural Flame, a recent valuable winner in Hong Kong, he also had success at the prestigious Hong Kong International Sale where a NZ bred two-year-old realised HK\$2,000,000 (£177,000).



In America his success continued with Ferneley who finished 2nd in the Gr.2 San Gabriel Handicap at Santa Anita for trainer Ben Cecil. His dam Amber Tide returns to Ishiguru this season.



FROST FAILS TO STOP TWO-LEGGED RACE

The Hayes Golden Button Challenge was scuppered by heavy frost on New Year's Eve, but the Ledbury Hunt turned the event into a three mile human cross-country race. BBC Top Gear's Richard Hammond started proceedings and subsequently sportingly ran in the race despite being attired in leather boots, jeans and fleece top.

Spot both the well known flat jockey and racing journalist in the photo below. Visit www.goldenbutton.co.uk for more details of this race and the re-run of the four-legged race.



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