



## GOLDEN BUTTON CHALLENGE DEFIES WEATHER

The fourth running of the Ledbury Hunt's Hayes Golden Button Challenge took place on New Year's Eve. It was held on the banks of the River Severn just up the road from Tweenhills, thanks to a 'magical' break in the weather.

Loosely based on the first ever running of a Point-to-Point, the 51 starters included several notable racing and bloodstock characters such as the winner Paul Carberry, Eddie Ahern (5th), Louise Collinson (9th), Davy Russell (refused and unseated 4th), Timmy Hillman (16th), David Redvers (17th) and Curragh trainer Paul Deegan (32nd).

Details and a video of the lunatics in action can be viewed at [www.goldenbutton.co.uk](http://www.goldenbutton.co.uk)



Paul Carberry on Blaze Ahead wins the Hayes Golden Button Challenge

## VERITY - MOVING TO FRESH CHALLENGES



Stud Secretary, Verity Look, is sadly moving on after six faithful years with Tweenhills

Our office stalwart, Verity Look, is moving on in February after six faithful years service holding the Tweenhills 'empire' together. Previously employed as racing secretary for Barry Hills, Jenny Pitman and Simon Christian, Verity

will be returning to that role with the Scudamore family close to her home in Ross on Wye.

David Redvers said: "I owe Verity a huge debt of thanks as she has overseen the rapid growth of Tweenhills over the last six years and we are going to miss her badly but wish her the very best in her next exciting job. The Scudamores are very lucky to have her."

## TRADE FAIR TO STAY IN AUSTRALIA

Tweenhills' sire Trade Fair has been sold to remain in Australia, where his first crop are making a big impression. In a deal handled by David Redvers and John Chalmers Bloodstock, Trade Fair will stand at Ted Van Heemst's Lynward Park Stud in Western Australia.



First foal born at Tweenhills in 2010 is by Sleeping Indian ex Vale of Belvoir

## CRACKING FIRST FOAL

Sean Marley and Tweenhills' lovely young mare Vale of Belvoir produced the first foal of the year at Tweenhills on 12th January, in the height of all the snow.

Raced by Tweenhills Racing and Sean, Vale of Belvoir chalked up a hat-trick as a two-year-old before finishing second in the St Hugh's Stakes (L) at Newbury.

Her bay filly by Sleeping Indian is a cracker, and if she inherits any of her parents' genes she will run like the wind.



A new yearling barn at Tweenhills provides winter turnout for the yearlings during the snow

## STAFF PROFILE

**James Horton, breaking/stallions**

### **What did you do before joining Tweenhills?**

I spent a year with Charlie Longsdon and Peter Mason regularly hunting and riding in Point-to-Points as well as landing four winners under rules. Following graduation from Exeter I had planned to join the army but injuries from rugby and riding incidents put a stop to that.

### **What was the appeal of Tweenhills?**

The opportunity to gain experience in various bloodstock roles, whilst considering whether to work on the stud or racing side.

### **What do you enjoy most?**

Breaking in the yearlings and seeing how quickly they learn. Look out for a Hurricane Run filly ex Dance Lively now in training with Ralph Beckett, she was a real cracker.

### **What is the worst part?**

Regularly digging out the snow from the horse walker was not great.

### **Most rewarding moment?**

Finishing the Golden Button Challenge.



James Horton finishes 7th in the Golden Button Challenge on Outlaw Express (aka Clint)

