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Objective

I would love to relocate to New Zealand and add value to any operation in the horse racing industry. I have a young son 7 years old, cricket and rugby mad, my wife is very supportive and as our country and horse racing industry is in dire straits and the future is looking bleak. We would appreciate it very much if I could be given a chance to ply my trade and add value to your operation.

Experience

- **Glen Puller racing stables** 7 Feb 2019 - currently
assistant / racehorse trainer
Duties includes all aspects of racehorse training and stable management and going to represent the yard at races, liaising with vets, clients, jockeys and doing pre and post racing interviews and reports to public and clients.
- **Candrian Equine racing Services** 1 August 2004 - 7 February 2019
Racehorse trainer/ self employed
Started my own business as a racehorse trainer, trained over 150 winners including 17 feature races and multiple places. Small string of 20 horses and enjoyed great success over all distances 1000m to 2800m and similarly with juveniles and older horses.
Been trainer of the month on more than one occasion (very difficult to achieve with 20 horses as big yards have in excess of 150 horses) Competed successfully with the best horses and trainers in Cape Town and Owner of 3 champion fillies hand picked by myself as yearlings. A Daughter's Legacy multiple feature race winner and received champion older female award in Western Cape. Sweet Virginia multiple feature race winner and Winter Series Champion against colts currently she is a champion broodmare and has herself bred SA horse of the year Do it again multiple group one winner and Horse of Fortune in Hong Kong. Diana's Choice multiple feature race winner and Champion Juvenile awards in Western cape, she went on to Dubai and won 2 and placed in 2 of her only 4 starts there before moving on to England with Mike De Kock.
- **Kenilworth Racing** 1990 - 2000
Assistant starter/ Head Handler
Worked at Kenilworth racing in conjunction to being an Assistant race horse trainer. Worked during race meetings as Head handler/ Assistant starter(in charge of the handlers loading the horses in starting stalls for races) Able to work under pressure and time to get job done and manage staff as well.
- **Self employed** 1986 - 1990
Amateur jockey and trainer
Rode and Trained in the Cape Hunt and Polo Club in Cape town (where most of our best trainers come out of before turning professional) Won several races as a jockey but weight was always going to get to me. Rode lots of work/track riding for Champion trainer Ralph Rixon and also had Assistant job with Chris Snaith (father of champion trainer Justin Snaith) Grew up with race horses as my dad raced in the Amateur racing in Cape town as well. I do it because i'm passionate about horses and has worked in all aspects of the game, groom, jockey, assistant trainer, starting stalls handler and professional racehorse trainer. Im also able to teach youngsters who wants to learn how to ride race horses properly for track work. Have schooled up countless locals to ride and ride successfully in races sanctioned by the NHRA our local jockey club. Ive also trained up my then apprentice jockey to become a champion jockey Grant van Niekerk and gave him many feature race winners. He is currently riding in Hong Kong and im very proud of how he matured. Thanks for reading my cv and references can be supplied on request also have a look on my Facebook page and see there. Thanks and best regards from Riaan van Reenen

Education

- **National Horse Racing Authority of South Africa** 2004
Racehorse trainer
- **National horse racing Authority of South Africa** prior 2004
Assistant Race horse trainer

Skills

- Racehorse trainer, Stable manager, Schooling of young riders and track riders to a satisfactory and high quality work riders. Very passionate about horses and horse racing. Very hard worker and very loyal and very experienced. Extrovert and good communication skills and follows mandates to the letter. Easy to talk to and get along with. Always expect to get the best results in any task to be performed and set high standards for myself. Very self motivated and can be left alone to execute duties diligently. Willing and able to assist.

Personal Details

- Date of Birth : 05/05/ 1971
- Marital Status : Married
- Nationality : Southern African