

EVENTING MEETS FORMULA ONE



Eventing cross country course builders Fraser Bush Industries had an interesting commission recently, to build a fence around a Formula 1 racing car in order for a horse to jump it for an RBS photoshoot. Fraser Bush has built a lot of steel-framed fences for the horse-racing industry including Cheltenham Racecourse, but he adds "It is such a great idea to combine the horsepower of an RBS sponsored Formula 1 racing car with a more literal form of horsepower; and definitely a first for me being given an F1 car to play with!" But, what rider would dare attempt such a feat? The European and World Three-Day-Event Champion, Zara Phillips, of course. Did that

put the pressure on Fraser? "Only when Zara tried to get me to let her jump the car without any protection on it", he jokes. "Generally people tell me what they want and I build it. However with RBS and Zara they gave me a free rein; the brief was to make sure the fence didn't detract from the car for the photo shoot but ensured adequate protection for the rider, horse and the car too." That Fraser Bush Industries were up to the task was a given – after all Fraser has built up a reputation for providing top quality, bespoke work – indeed his revolutionary steel-framed portable steeplechase fences are now part of the Cheltenham Racecourse track.

