

## World Class Start & Potential Newsletter - October

### News

Selection trials for inclusion onto the Start & Potential programme will take place in all the 4 disciplines during November and December. As part of the selection procedure viewing days will be taking place throughout October at the following places:

17 <sup>th</sup> October	Show Jumping	Richard Davison
26 <sup>th</sup> October	Eventing	Addington Equestrian Centre
27 <sup>th</sup> October	Dressage	The Unicorn

### Eventing

Kitty Boggis secured another international class, this time the MK Airlines CIC\*\* section at South of England International Horse Trials on Imperial Master, where they led from start to finish.

Gemma Tattersall put up an outstanding performance at Kreuth Horse Trials in Germany, finishing 4<sup>th</sup> in the CCI\*\*\* on their dressage score of 50.4.

Ruth Edge won the Intermediate class at Witton Castle, riding Zakarius III

Oliver Smith scored an impressive one-two in the OI section at Burnham Market riding Monarch's Aristocrat and The Magic Moment, ahead of Piggy French on her new ride Holly Blue Curtis. Piggy was also on form at Aske Hall where she was 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> in the OI section.

There is no stopping Piggy French as she clinched the £25,000 jackpot donated by Liberte Self Drive Horsebox Hire, which is awarded to the rider who can win the Shropshire Slam that requires three consecutive wins at two-star level. Piggy had already netted victory in the CCI at Weston Park last year, and subsequently won the CIC at Sansaw, and with victory in the CCI\*\* riding Chicago II victory was hers.

Oliver Smith was 2<sup>nd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> in the CCI\*\* at Weston Park, riding The Magic Moment and Monarch's Aristocrat respectively, with Chris King 5<sup>th</sup> riding Secret Weapon, and Emily Llewellyn riding Pardon Me II 3<sup>rd</sup> in the CCI\*.

Lucy Wiegiersma won the 6 year old class at the PAVO British Eventing Breeding Championships that were held at Tweseldown, with Nick Gauntlett taking 2<sup>nd</sup> place on Chilli Morning.

Lucy also won the OI section at Tweseldown on a new ride, Zebedee VIII.

A squad training session was held at The Unicorn for both Start & Potential riders, which consisted of flatwork with Yogi Breisner, who also gave an overview of the last two years and the way forward to 2012 and beyond, Physio sessions with Andy Thomas, show jumping with Peter Murphy and all horses had a veterinary assessment with Jenny Hall.

### Show Jumping

James Davenport posted his biggest win to date at Chantilly, where he jumped the only double clear in the grand prix on For Fun. James also enjoyed a good warm-up for the forthcoming World Cup season at Germany's Bremen Euroclassics show, jumping a double clear round to come 4<sup>th</sup> in the Bremen Championship, and reached the jump off in the grand prix with For Fun.

Robert Whitaker, riding Prima Vera took the runner-up sport in the accumulator at the Audi masters in Brussels.

Paul Barker won the grand prix at Unex Towerlands, but unfortunately missed out on qualifying for HOYS by a single point. Paul is now spending a few weeks in Germany training with Hauke Luther.

Charlotte Platt riding Lacanda won the Slovenian World Cup qualifier, and was part of the GB Nations Cup team that came 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Poderbrady Nations Cup.

Ben Maher was one of three riders who shared the honours in the Puissance class at HOYS, clearing the wall at 7ft 4in.

Pony rider, Matt Sampson who is in his last year of ponies, had a superb HOYS winning the Squibb and Davies Foxhunter Championship on Stainsby Style and retaining the Blue Chip Junior Newcomers title.

### **Dressage**

Spencer Wilton riding Dolendo won the Grand Prix and Grand Prix Special at his first overseas international in Saumur, France, scoring 68.16% in the grand prix and 70% in the Special. Andrew Gould finished 5<sup>th</sup> in the prix st. georges on Numero Uno – his best overseas result.

A special Freestyle class was part of the daytime programme on the Friday of HOYS, with Becky Moody, Maria Eilberg, Andrew Gould and Sarah Millis taking part. Richard Davison and Desi Dillingham were the judges, awarding marks for technical difficulty and artistic impression. Enthusiastic clapping from the large audience rewarded each test, with Becky running out the winner.

### **Para Dressage**

The Para riders have been consolidating their training, following a successful competition season and are also preparing for the selection trials that are taking place at the beginning of November.

