

Alexander Peternell and Tigers Eye II

Mitsubishi Motors Badminton Horse Trials

30 April – 3 May 2010

Alexander Peternell riding the lovely Grey horse, Tigers Eye II held their heads high after competing in the 2010 Mitsubishi Motors Badminton Horse Trials.

Tigers Eye II is owned by Jane Holderness- Roddam, a previous winner of the event in 1968 riding Our Nobby.

Alex finished the Dressage with 64.3 penalties, had a wonderful clear in the Cross Country but with 17.2 time penalties and had 3 unfortunate poles in the Show Jumping and 3 time penalties, finishing with a final score of 96.5. Alex competed in this prestigious event with a knee injury and a bad dose of Flu. There were 9 retirements and 15 eliminations on the tough Cross Country course.

The event was won by Australian rider Paul Tapner riding Inonothing finishing on 44.9 penalties. They finished a very credible 38th out of 83 starters.

The Badminton Horse Trials takes place at the Badminton Park in Gloucestershire, England and is was first held in 1949 by the 10th Duke of Beaufort in order to let British riders train for future International events and was advertised as “the most important horse event in Britain”. The Cross Country day at Badminton attracts crowds of up to a quarter of a million spectators. Previous winners of this prestigious event are to name but a few - Andrew Hoy, Mark Todd, Lucinda Green, Mark Phillips, William Fox Pitt and Anneli Drummond Hay in 1962 riding Merely-a-Monarch.

Alexander Peternell and Tigers Eye II seen below at the 2009 Burghley Horse Trials

