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Update of News and Photos received from our Overseas Riders

Georgina Werner



South African Rider Georgina Werner who is based in Germany competed recently in the Italian Jumping Tour in Follonica, Italy. She was 2nd in the 1.30m Final with her horse Lucky Punch.

Denise Hallion

Denise Hallion based in the UK, has qualified with her horse Wervelwind for the Winter Championships at Medium level – only the top 25 in the country get through. Wervelwind has already made a name for himself by winning his last four Advanced Medium outings with over 69%.

Monique Becker



South African Young Rider Monique Becker who competes between South African and Belgium recently competed in Comporta, Portugal in the Atlantic Tour. She rode her horse Miss Xalapa with 2 good 8th and 9th tickets in the 1.30m classes and a ticket on her other horse Zion. Miss Xalapa and Monique had a wonderful 8th place in the Michel Finquel 1.45m Lady's Cup to end the Portugal Tour. They will be heading to the CSI in Lummen, Belgium in April.

Zilla Pearse

Vidauban CSI3*, CDI3* and CDIYH show



There were more than 600 horses in Vidauban at the end of March gathered for three successive International shows for Show Jumping and two International Dressage weekends. For those individual riders interested in qualifying for the Olympic Games in 2012 they will need good World Ranking points between 1st March 2011 and 1st March 2012. There were a lot of riders and some very serious competition from all over the world, including South Africa. In the CSI3* Cara Frew competed, while in the CDI3* both Zilla Pearse and Adriaan Van Wyk rode in the Big Tour.

Zilla took Sarkozy and Hale Bops for the second weekend. The initial intention with Hale Bops was to enter him in the Small Tour, but he was going so well that at the last minute it was decided to give him his first experience in the Big Tour. At this International Show, only 1 horse could be entered in each class, so Hale Bops was entered in the Grand Prix (for Freestyle) and Sarkozy in the Grand Prix (for Grand Prix Special).

On Thursday 24th March, there were 21 horses in the Grand Prix (for Freestyle) and both Adriaan on Othello and Zilla on Hale Bops gave very credible performances gaining their initial world ranking points and qualifying for the Consolation Grand Prix on 26th March in which they came 2nd and 3rd respectively. Despite some mistakes, Hale Bops shows great promise.

Sarkozy competed on 25th March in a field of 29 top International riders and rode a good first test for 62,8% although he didn't show much Passage. In his second competition on the 27th March he was placed 6th in a field of 14 with 63,8% Sarkozy had settled down by the second test and gave an impressive performance that showed more of his potential as he Passed better, though had a couple of small mistakes in Transitions.

The experience of this weekend was very positive, as both horses and rider gained a lot of experience in a short period of time as they had the opportunity to compete several times over the four days at International level against a strong field of top riders. Zilla plans to take both horses to their next CDI 3* in Lipica, Slovenia at the end of May, but to look, before then, for a couple of national shows during April to give them more Grand Prix experience.

It was the first time that Zilla and Adriaan had met face to face and it was great to have a fellow South African competitor on at the show, hopefully to be repeated soon.

Shiree Darley



My Sandro Hit stallion, Vinducath – based in the UK, is progressing brilliantly – he has developed all of the required Grand Prix moves but just needs some establishment with putting these together and is still 6-8 months off going Grand Prix. He competed with Peter Storr in his first PSG at Addington last month and came fourth which was fabulous. He is consistently winning the Advanced Medium classes with over 70% so we felt it was a good time to move him up.

I am developing a great relationship with my mare Pamina and we are competing regularly in the UK in the PSG and Int 1 Classes. I was thrilled with our last outing at the end of January at Addington as we achieved very reputable scores and are maintaining our ground out there with the best of them. We are steadily gaining confidence so I have great expectations for the year ahead.

Philippa Johnson

We competed at the CDR Vliermaalroot (able-bodied). My goal was to try ride Verdi more in the same way that I ride him at home or to quote Chris 'with more spirit!'. In the first class this gave me a bit of an 'out of control' feeling which led to some silly mistakes but that been said we won the first class, the L7, with 65,16% (7 horses competed). In the second class I was feeling far more at ease and Verdi gave me a super ride and I'm pleased to say the judge saw the difference in the two tests and rewarded me accordingly and we won the M4 with 69,7% (6 horses competed)!!!

Paul & Harry Barocca D'alva XCjl (Portugal) **Article written by: Suzanne Boswell**



On Saturday, 12 March, Paul and Harry rode their XC at 6.10pm South Africa Time.

Paul said the course was quite daunting and big plus there was a carbon copy of the infamous water complex at WEG. He was nervous leading up to the country but as always he could feel the amazing positive energy from all of you at home. The going was fabulous and it was a chilly 18 degrees. The course was 3626m with 24 jumps with a total of 36 efforts.

Paul said the first four jumps weren't great and the fifth was massive which Harry jumped beautifully and after that they both found their rhythm. The water complex he rode quite hard but was ready for anything that came their way. But he sailed through without any issues. They were clear for jumping and Paul said Harry just flew. He incurred some unnecessary time faults as he ended up on the wrong side of the tape so had to double back. He finished with 22 time faults which he was a little disappointed about (vowing to make sure he looked at where the tape was on the next course he rode). They are well on their way to a qualifying round which was his objective for the show. There were 48 entries and only 30 of these came through the cross country to jump.

Paul and Harry completed their final phase of Barroca D'alva 3* on the afternoon of Sunday, 13 March. They took 2 poles in the triple combination. The going was a bit soggy and the jumps were huge. There were only four clear rounds for showjumping in the 3 star. So they achieved their first objective, a qualifying round needed for the

Olympics and some very valuable points. The next event has not been finalised but as soon as we know we will tell everybody.

Kimberley Williamson and Oliver Lazarus



Oliver had a super show and was fortunate enough to be asked to ride a terrific amount of young horses in between training his Swedish girlfriend, Hilda Lennartsson who competed on his two horses as well as his South African student, Kim Williamson who has been training with him since February at his yard near Munster in Germany.

Kimberley Williamson competed very successfully on the Sunshine Tour with Crocket 18 and came 11th in the Small Tour on him.

Hilda Lennartsson rode both CORVETTE 21 (coming 10th and 11th in the Small Tour B and On 13.03.2011 in the Ladies clear:4th out of 45 starters) and CINETTO 2 (Billy) - 6th and 9th out of 42 starters in the GRAND PRIX Small Tour and in Small Tour D- 5th) and had excellent results with them.

Here are some of Oliver's results:

22.02.2011	7 Year Olds	COCOMELLO	Clear 11th out of 82	E32.18
23.02.2011	7 Year Olds	CAIPIRINHA	Clear 22nd out of 45	E 50.00
24.02.2011	6 Year Olds	CAIPIRINHA	Clear 7th out of 45	E150.00
24.02.2011	6 Year Olds	CASSUTTI	Clear 15th out of 45	E 45.00
26.02.2011	SMALL TOUR GRAND PRIX	PLINTON	Clear 2nd out of 70	E1500.00
26.02.2011	BIG TOUR D	CILANTRO	Clear 18th out of 50	
01.03.2011	6 Year Olds	CASSUTTI	Clear 6th out of 87	E 39.74
01.03.2011	7 Year Olds	COCOMELLO	Clear (all prize 1st for clear)	E 38.73
02.03.2011	6 Year Olds	CASSUTTI	4 fts 38th out of 83	
04.03.2011	BIG TOUR A	CORVETTE 21	Clear 9th out of 96	E 60.00
04.03.2011	BIG TOUR B	PLINTON	Clear 38th out of 97	
06.03.2011	BIG TOUR B	PLINTON	Clear 11th out of 79	E 45.00
09.03.2011	6 Year Olds	CASSUTTI	Clear 22nd out of 77	
10.03.2011	6 Year Olds	CASSUTTI	Clear 24th out of 78	
12.03.2011	BIG TOUR C	CILANTRO	Clear 16th out of 83	E 75.00
13.03.2011	BIG TOUR C	CILANTRO	Clear 14th out of 54	E 75.00
18.03.2011	BIG TOUR C	SILVER EXCHANGE 11	Clear 21st out of 82	E62.00
18.03.2011	BIG TOUR D	CILANTRO	Clear 15th out of 45	E 150.00

19.03.2011	BIG TOUR D	SILVER EXCHANGE 11	Clear 19th out of 60	
21.03.2011	5 Year Olds	BEST WISHES	Clear 9th out of 44	E 50.00
24.03.2011	BIG TOUR C	SILVER EXCHANGE 11	Clear 9th out of 74	E150.00
25.03.2011	GRAND PRIX BIGGEST CLASS	SILVER EXCHANGE 11		4flts 28th out of 62
27.03.2011	INVITATIONAL GRAND PRIX FINAL	SILVER EXCHANGE 11		4flts 17th out of 49