



Kalico Bay makes Windsor his own

Tim Stockdale heads the grade As, while Geoff Lockett and Brickfield Boy get set for summer and there's no stopping Dan Moseley

COLIN and Ann Garrett's Fresh Direct Kalico Bay obviously enjoys Royal Windsor. In the three years he's competed here, he's been placed in every class with his rider Tim Stockdale, winning an open in 2009.

This year, he topped the first grade A class of the show, a jump-off competition in which he beat 11 rivals in the final round.

"He had the whole of the winter off because I'd got a bit paranoid after Fresh Direct Corlato had to be retired due to injury," said Tim, who has been selected for the Lisbon Nations Cup team next week with the nine-year-old gelding. "At last year's Horse of the Year Show [HOYS] he nicked himself and had some minor inflammation on a tendon, so I didn't want to take any chances."

Tim and Fresh Direct Kalico Bay were unlucky in the Alltech grand prix (see page 31), but maintaining their record of placings was reward enough.

"As last to go, I should have had the best chance," said Tim. "But Charlotte [Platt] and John [Whitaker] had gone so quickly I had to do something special and I overcooked it at the second fence. [Nonetheless], I was thrilled with how he's gone this week."

Tadmus takes a good look

GRAND prix victor John Whitaker coolly dealt with Tadmus spooking before the first part of the final double in the Martin Collins International

stakes to win the speed contest.

"I don't know what it was," said John. "But he saw something."

Beth Gillespie's 10-year-old son of Calvados gave an enormous leap over the oxer and John quickly settled him to make the distance to the final element.

Tadmus, along with Uniek, will join John in Rome and St Gallen, where he will be representing Britain on the Meydan FEI Nations Cup team with Peppermill.

"He's a very competitive horse," said John, who has partnered Tadmus since February. "Now I'll get him to more international shows so he can progress."

Better than planned

DAN MOSELEY, 20, was surprised he managed to hold on to his lead with Carol Toliver's Larina II from



Dan Moseley on a roll: winning here on Billy Buttercup in the accumulator



Tim Stockdale and Fresh Direct Kalico Bay claim the Land Rover grade A and have earned their place on a Nations Cup team

first draw in the first of two grade A and B classes.

"I just tried to jump a smooth round and finish in the top three," said Dan, stable jockey to William Funnell. "There were a few tricky fences in there, which were catching some careful jumpers out."

Dan, who will represent Britain next month in Sopot, Poland, with Kepi D'Elle, has ridden nine-year-old Larina since the beginning of the year and is beginning to notice an improvement in her jumping.

"She's been jumping double clears in small grands prix," he said. "Now she'll be built up to bigger international classes."

Brickfield passes test

IF he keeps the fences up, Geoff Lockett is hard to beat. This was the case in the final grade A and B jump-off class of the show, which he topped with Old Lodge's Brickfield Boy. The class was held in the smaller Frogmore Arena, but provided a tough enough test.

"I was quite surprised how big it was," said Geoff, the fastest of four double clears in the jump-off.

Geoff will now contest the International Stairway series with the 13-year-old gelding.

"The winner now gets a HOYS wild card," he said, "so I'll be keeping him fresh for then."

Results

Horse & Hound Foxhunter sec A.—1, Chateau De Brion Quainton (A Botham); 2, Zancara (L Whitehouse); 3, Don VHP 2 (L Pavitt)
sec B.—1, Inki II (E-J Slater); 2, Valentine V (N Pavitt); 3, Lottie (G Lockett) **Land Rover grade B&C h'cap.**—1, Warrior (L Pavitt); 2, Ahorn Van De Zuuthoeve (H Turrell); 3, Louis Latour (S Crippen) **13 May: Olympic star spotters.**—1eq, 6 tied **7- & 8-y-o ch.**—1, Varmisch (T Gredley); 2, Webalia G (G Strutton); 3, Wantos (L Cox) **grades A&B.**—1, Larina II (D Moseley); 2, Voss (S Crippen); 3, Murka's Midnightlady (P Moloney) **Land Rover grade**

A.—1, Fresh Direct Kalico Bay (T Stockdale); 2, Calle (T Priest); 3, Uniek (J Whitaker) **14 May: grade B&C h'cap.**—1, Oslo Du Pre Fleurie (J Andrews); 2, Vijiada (A Davies); 3, On The Mind (J Crippen) **Martin Collins International grade A.**—1, Tadmus (J Whitaker); 2, Lowriver Queen Z (J Fisher); 3, Fresh Direct Kalico Bay, **grade A&B.**—1, Brickfield Boy (G Lockett); 2, Warrior; 3, Rockim (J Clayton) **15 May: 7- & 8-y-o ch.**—1, Valentijn O (T Davies); 2, Argento (J Whitaker); 3, Billy Laden (D Moseley) **16 May: 7- & 8-y-o ch.**—1, Urlanmore Aldi (P Lear); 2, Argento; 3, Velwrtijn O.

RAF team soars to victory

FLIGHT Lieutenant Jules Flemming secured the win for the Royal Air Force A team in the final round of Her Majesty The Queen's Challenge Cup for services team jumping. She finished with a clear round on her friend Paul Brown's Belgian warmblood UFO.

In the first round, held on Saturday morning, 39 teams of three riders from various branches of the forces competed. Their combined faults

were tallied and the top 12 with the fewest penalties made the final, in which one nominated rider jumped for each team.

"Just getting into that was an achievement in itself," said Jules. "But we were also in first place."

Jules entered the ring in the afternoon carrying eight faults, the score her and fellow team-mates Wing Commander Elson and Wing Commander Austin had accrued.

Captain Mark Avison, the reigning Olympia services jumping



Flt Lt Jules Flemming and UFO from the winning Royal Air Force A squad