

## British Showjumping International Bulletin

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### Scott Brash and Hello Forever finish 2nd in Saut Hermes Grand Prix



The incredible venue of the Grand Palais in Paris saw some tremendous competition under its unique domed glass roof when the Hermes Grand Prix was fought out.

Almost forty of the world's best horses came forward to tackle the testing 1.60m course in front of capacity crowds this afternoon, with sixteen of them jumping clear and qualifying for the jump off.

The course, by Frank Rothemberger, was a testing one in the first round and even more so in the second shortened one making it more than worthy of the €132,000 first prize on offer.

GB had two riders through to the jump off in the form of Michael Whitaker with Melissa Braybooke's Viking V along with Scott Brash from Peebleshire with Hello Forever owned by Lady Kirkham and Lady Harris. A brick down in the wall for Michael saw them out of the running whilst Scott put in a superb performance as the penultimate rider in the jump off to stop the clock almost a second ahead of Christian Ahlmann who had held the lead until then.

It was last to go, Abdelkebir Ouaddar and Quickly de Kreisker for Morocco that somehow managed to shave a further couple of seconds from Scott's time, whilst leaving all fences standing, to grab the title as his own. His round was almost unbelievable to watch with them putting in an incredibly fast pace from the outset. Luck or judgement, it would be hard to say, however his round certainly drew support from the crowded grandstands who cheered him wildly as he left the arena.

### ROB WHITAKER & CATWALK IV SHINE IN SPAIN

As the FEI CSI 3\* Sunshine Tour drew to a close in Spain, it was a Union Flag that topped the winners line-up in the 1.60m Final Grand Prix when Rob Whitaker and Mandy Hall's 13 year-old bay gelding Catwalk IV took the title.

Seven combinations had made it through to the jump-off with both Rob from Sidcup in Kent and Tim Wilks from Henley on Thames in Oxford being two of them. The jump off was a particularly hard fought one with all seven riders putting in fast times but only four of them, including Rob and Tim, that managed to produce a further clear.

It was Rob though that delivered the round of the competition with absolute precision to take the lead by some 62/100th of a second ahead of Belgium's Jerome Guery with Grand Cru vd Rozenbne and Fabienne Lange Daigneux with Venue d'Fee des Hazalles who finished in 2nd and 3rd place respectively. Tim Wilks with Quelbora Merze, took 4th place as the slightly slowest of the four that jumped double clear. Remarkably, his time was just over two seconds behind Rob which only serves to illustrate how hard the jump off was ridden by all of those coming through.

Talking after the results Di Lampard, World Class Showjumping Performance Manager commented "I am delighted with Rob's result today. He has focused on the Final Grand Prix as his core objective the entire way through the Sunshine Tour. He has ridden well throughout the tour and Catwalk has been going incredibly well. To see it all come together in the way that Rob had planned it is superb and I couldn't be happier with the way both of them are going".

### Easter Closing

Please note that the British Showjumping office will close

for the Easter holiday at

5pm on Thursday 24th March 2016 and

re-open at 9am on Tuesday 29th March.

**Riders wishing to make changes to international entries, please ensure they are sent to the International Team by 5pm on Thursday 24th March.**



### This Weeks International Shows

World Cup Final  
Goteborg SWE  
23—28 Mar

CSI3\*/1\*/YH1\*/  
Ch/P Arezzo ITA  
21—27 Mar

CSI3\*/1\*/YH1\*/  
Ch/P/J/U25 San  
Giovanni ITA  
21—27 Mar

CSI2\*/1\*/YH1\*  
Oliva ESP  
22—27 Mar

CSI4\*/U25  
Wellington USA  
22—27 Mar

CSI3\*/YH1\*/1\*  
Vilamoura POR  
22—27 Mar

CSI2\*/YH1\* Mijas  
ESP 22—27 Mar

CSI4\*/2\* Katara  
QAT 24—26 Mar

CSI2\*/1\* Cagnes  
Sur Mer FRA  
24—27 Mar

CSI2\*/1\*/YH1\*  
Bonheiden BEL  
24—27 Mar



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## **GB GIRLS STORM TO VICTORY AT SAUT HERMES, PARIS**

The female duo of Millie Allen and Emma O'Dwyer wiped the floor with the opposition at the CSIO 5\* Saut Hermes show at the Grand Palais, Paris in the Les Talents Hermes Under 25 International Team competition.

Millie Allen aged 18 years from Cleveland with Balou Star, an 11 year old bay stallion owned by Udo Oppermann and Emma O'Dwyer aged 21 years from Gloucestershire with Echo de Laubry, a 12 year old chestnut stallion owned by Royne Zetterman, annihilated the opposition by finishing both rounds on zero penalties – the only team able to do so.

The competition format was one that saw just two riders for each team come forward to contest the 1.45m course. With both scores counting, riders were then asked to jump again over a shortened course with all scores counting in addition to time being taken into account in the second round.

### **Great Britain v Ireland**

At the end of the first round it was only GB and Ireland that managed to jump clear across both rounds to sit on zero penalties. Behind them was the USA and The Netherlands on 8 penalties each as a result of each team rider picking up 4 penalties on the course.

With tension mounting, excitement around the arena really started to heat up when both first riders in the form of Millie for GB and Eoin McMahon for Ireland jumped clear leaving it down each team's second riders to determine their nation's fate.

Emma appeared to thrive under the pressure delivering yet another foot-perfect round to break the finish line clear. For Ireland it wasn't quite the same story as they saw themselves slip from jostling for first place to an overall 4th place finish when Michael Duffy lowered two fences on the course to pick up 8 penalties. With both riders for the USA and The Netherlands jumping clear in the second round they remained on their initial 8 penalties picked up during the first round. Their cumulative times though were faster than Ireland's which saw them move up into 2nd and 3rd place respectively behind GB.



British International Entries for This Week's Shows



**CSI3\*/1\*/YH1\*/Ch/P Arezzo ITA**

Domenique Tibbles  
Joe Veitch  
Nick Channing-Williams

**CSI3\*/1\*/YH1\*/Ch/P/J/U25 San Giovanni ITA**

Jonathon Buxton  
Joe Davison  
Elliott Gordon  
Jamie Gornall  
James Shore  
Keith Shore  
Samantha Burbidge

**CSI2\*/1\*/YH1\* Oliva ESP**

Dee Anderson  
Nicky Baily-Gibson  
Alex Barr  
Helena Cassir  
Matthew Clayton  
Taisie de Gruchy  
Jessie Drea  
Carmen Edwards  
Will Edwards  
Katie Fletcher  
Tony French  
Clark Glasgow  
Marjorie Glasgow  
Lori Hannan  
Skye Higgin  
Tom Hollins  
Megan James  
Madeleine Kellett  
Heather Larson  
Rebecca Marsh  
Anna Platt  
Romilly Simmons  
Imogen Smithson  
Alice Watson  
Sarah Williams  
Alex Barr  
Maisie Drea  
Francesca Jones  
Charlotte Platt  
Olivia Poole  
Sharon Quigley  
Emily Ward  
Dominic Webb  
Lee Williams  
Katie Gannon  
Mary Marsh  
Katie Motion  
Sarah Williams  
James Wilson

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**CSI4\*/U25 Wellington USA**

Amanda Derbyshire

Ben Maher

Nick Skelton

Alexandra Thornton

**CSI3\*/YH1\*/1\* Vilamoura POR**

Jude Burgess

Sammie Jo Coffin

Amy Duncan

Eleri Guy

Anja Jackson

Richard Jenkinson

Laura Johnson

Shannon Kelly

Leo Lorimer

Sarah lundy

Laura Mantel

Scarlette Norman

Timothy Page

Louise Pavitt

Nicole Pavitt

William Rekert

Alicia Smallman

Emma Stoker

Joe Whitaker

Megan Williams

Ella Baker

Angela Eardley

**CSI2\*/YH1\* Mijas ESP**

Domenique Bonelli-Baird

Joshua Bridge

Benjamin Collins

Francesca Draycott

Anna Edwards

Lauren Edwards

Sian Edwards

Sarah Jones

Alex Rident

Victoria Shanks

James Smith

**World Cup Final Goteborg SWE**

Laura Renwick

**CS12\*/1\* Cagnes Sur Mer FRA**

Dale Burnham

John-Peter Daker

James Emblen

Chad Fellows

Eloise Guy

Aled Harding

Jemma Kirk

Cressy Neads

Stuart Neads

Abigail Newbery

Ashley Pulleyn

Benjamin Raistrick

Chloe Winchester

Ziv Tomer

Joshua Madgwick

Jessica Oakes

Claire Salem

James Williams

Gemma Wright

**CS12\*/1\*/YH1\* Bonheiden BEL**

Joe Clee

Douglas Duffin

Samuel Hutton

Eleanor Meager

Chris Moyce

Danielle Ryder

Leonora Smee

Jordan Thompson

Scarlette Worrow