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We are incredibly proud to welcome you to the British Dressage National Championships, now in its thirteenth year of LeMieux sponsorship

After witnessing the outstanding performances at the World Championships in Aachen, it's a real pleasure to see so many talented riders competing here this week. The standard of dressage continues to go from strength to strength, and we're excited to watch the action unfold.

A special congratulations to our #TeamLeMieux riders. We can't wait to catch up with Carl Hester, cheer on Becky Moody, Sadie Smith and the rest of the team, along with all the competitors striving for success.

At LeMieux, we're passionate about supporting riders at every stage of their equestrian journey. The National Championships are a fantastic showcase for both established stars and the next generation of dressage talent, and as the event continues to grow, we're looking forward to some exceptional competition and memorable performances.

Now it's time for the action to begin!

We wish every competitor the very best of luck, and we'd also like to extend our sincere thanks to the judges, officials and everyone working behind the scenes to make this championship possible.

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It is a pleasure to welcome you all back to Somerford Park for the 2026 LeMieux National Championships. Over the next four days, we're delighted to bring together 660 combinations for a celebration of the best of British Dressage.

From those experiencing their first championship at Prelim to the pinnacle achievement of Grand Prix, the championships provide a showcase for riders and horses at every level of the sport, highlighting the strength and depth of dressage talent from across the country in our Gold and Silver sections.

We are also proud to celebrate twelve years of partnership with our title sponsor, LeMieux. Their continued support has played a significant role in the development and success of these championships. We hope you'll join us at the Nationals Welcome Party on Friday at 6.30pm in the LeMieux Pavilion as we come together to recognise the people and performances that make our sport so special.

We would also like to extend our sincere thanks to organiser Kelvin Bywater and the team at Show Direct for delivering an outstanding championship experience year after year, as well as the King family at Somerford Park, who have allowed us to host the Nationals on their beautiful showground over the last five years.

On behalf of British Dressage, thank you to everyone who contributes to the success of this event, including our riders, owners, grooms, breeders, coaches, officials, sponsors, volunteers and supporters. Your passion, dedication and commitment are at the heart of everything we do.

Whether you are competing, cheering from the sidelines or following the action from home, we wish you an enjoyable and memorable LeMieux National Championships.



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Thursday 10 September

LeMieux Arena

07.58 - 10.54	Equissage Pulse Para Gold Championship	12.40
11.04 - 17.50	Fairfax Saddles PSG Gold Championship	18.00

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07.56 - 13.30	HorseQuest Elementary Silver Championship	14.50
13.40 - 17.00	Stuebben Intermediate II Gold Championship	17.50

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08.00 - 15.36	Absolute Equestrian Collective Preliminary Silver Championship	16.20
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Friday 11 September

LeMieux Arena

08.05 - 15.10	D&H Intermediate I Gold Championship	16.00
15.20 - 17.40	Fairfax Saddles PSG Freestyle Gold Championship	17.50

Kudos Arena

08.00 - 10.02	KBIS BD Young Horse 4YO Championship	11.35
10.15 - 16.15	BETTALIFE Novice Gold Championship	16.58

Vector Arena

07.50 - 13.24	TopSpec Medium Silver Championship	15.10
14.00 - 16.50	Fairfax Saddles Prix St Georges Silver Championship	17.40

Saturday 12 September

LeMieux Arena

07.53 - 09.55	KBIS BD Young Horse 7YO Championship	11.09
10.05 - 13.05	LeMieux Grand Prix Gold Championship	14.22
13.50 - 17.43	D&H Intermediate I Freestyle Gold Championship	17.53
15.30 - 16.00	Masterclass	

Kudos Arena

08.00 - 12.46	TopSpec Medium Gold Championship	15.20
13.05 - 15.12	KBIS BD Young Horse 5YO Pre-Judging	
15.22 - 17.40	KBIS BD Young Horse 6YO Pre-Judging	

Vector Arena

08.05 - 10.35	D&H Intermediate I Silver Championship	12.07
10.50 - 16.20	BETTALIFE Novice Silver Championship	17.43

Sunday 13 September

LeMieux Arena

07.55 - 12.15	British Dressage Advanced Medium Gold Championship	13.05
12.25 - 13.05	KBIS BD Young Horse 5YO Championship	12.55
13.55 - 14.35	KBIS BD Young Horse 6YO Championship	14.25
14.30 - 15.00	Masterclass	
15.05 - 16.45	Kudos Grand Prix Freestyle Gold Championship	17.00
	Presentation to the 2026 LeMieux National Champion	17.00

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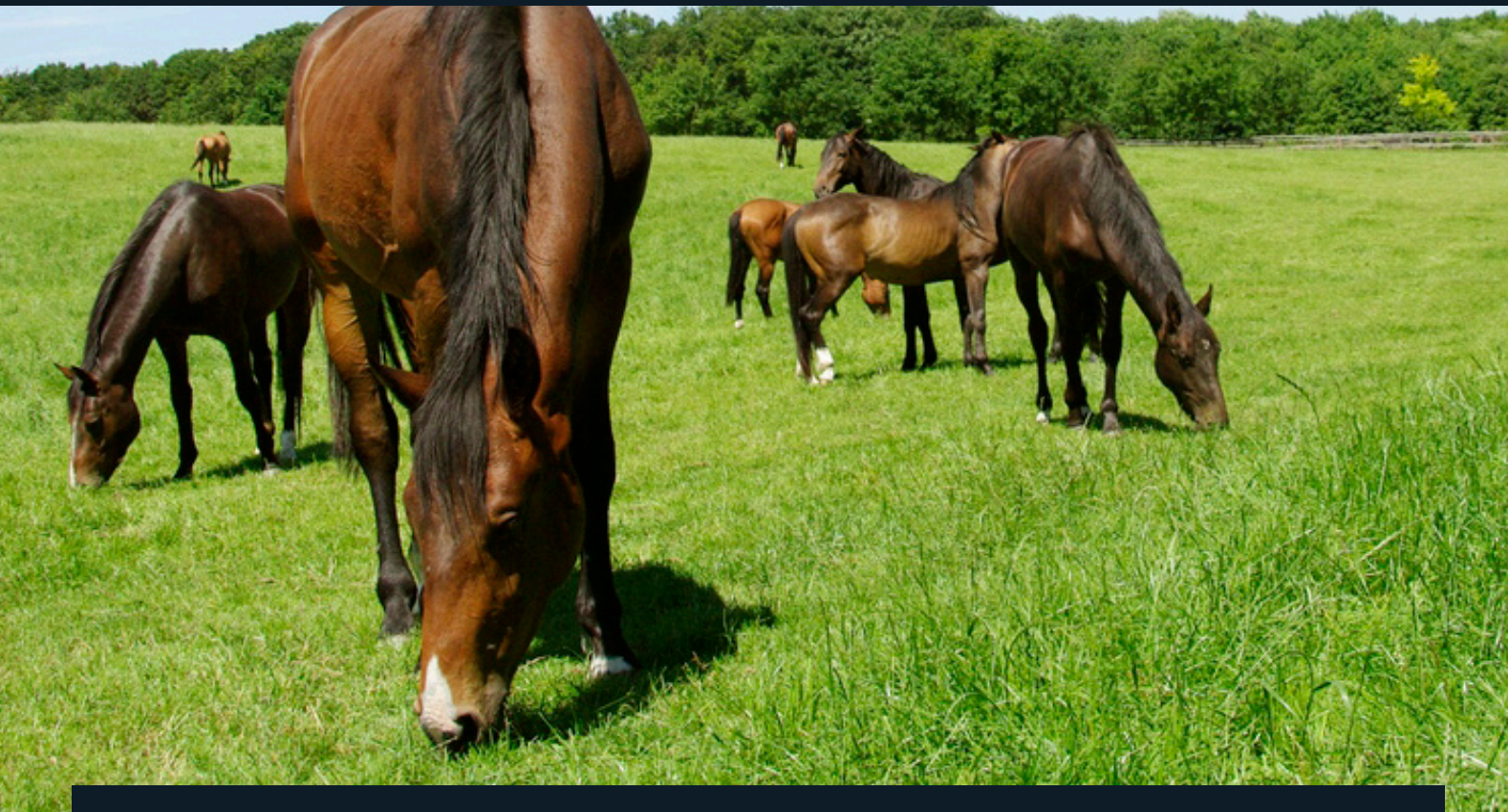
07.50 - 10.51	Rothera Bray Under 21 Championship	12.15
11.01 - 16.07	HorseQuest Elementary Gold Championship	16.45

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07.53 - 10.30	Absolute Equestrian Collective Preliminary Gold Championship	11.05
10.40 - 15.15	British Dressage Advanced Medium Silver Championship	15.59



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Kim and John also welcome plenty of guests throughout the week, with riders, judges, coaches and BD figures providing expert commentary on the action in the arena.

To listen, you'll need to tune in on your mobile device. Make sure you're fully charged and pop your headphones in your bag.

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Visitor Guide

Times and results

Times and live results are available throughout the Championships via Equipe. There will be live results across all three arenas, so you can view the scores in real time from anywhere, at any time, no matter which arena you're following.

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The BD Championships vodcasts return! Visit British Dressage on YouTube to view interviews with all of the new National Champions.

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A year on...

Gijs Van Vooren

We caught up with first-time Nationals winner and head rider at the Hawtins Stud, Gijs van Vooren. In 2025, Gijs took the win in the Fairfax Saddles Prix St Georges Silver and Saracen Horse Feeds Intermediate I Silver Championships aboard Judith Davis' Hawtins Quattro. He also finished third in the Intermediate I with Hawtins Bellagra, and competed Hawtins Brunelli in the KBIS Five-Year-Old Finals.

Looking back, how would you describe what your win at Nationals meant to you?

It's meant a lot. I love training horses and spending time with them every day, but I never loved competing. It has given me a huge confidence boost. Now I'm actually starting to see the enjoyment in it. The road to the nationals was full of ups and downs and challenges. I had no idea what to expect as anything could have happened. It all just came together. A real full circle moment. It's given me the belief that I can do this! It gave me a feeling of peace, confidence and self-belief.

Tell us about the journey with your winning gelding Hawtins Quattro.

I started riding Q 3 years ago. He lacked confidence and



I lacked experience. So we helped each other and we really clicked. We did a couple of advanced mediums, which he had already done, but then we jumped into the deep end together and did our first PSG. It was a steep learning curve for me, but he helped me through it.

He's an amazing horse so I put a lot of pressure on myself to prove that I can do a horse as amazing as he is justice. We've had bad shows and we had good ones. We won our Inter 1 regional, but we made too many mistakes in the PSG. So, we were a last-minute wildcard in the PSG. At the nationals it just flowed, we were so connected. I'll never forget it. I have learnt so much and he tries so hard for me.

What other future superstars do you currently have in your stables?

We have some really exciting youngsters coming on with some fantastic bloodlines. I love bringing on the youngsters and seeing the glimpses of what's to come.

There's Hawtins Belfiore, she's six years old (by Bellissimo out of elite Hawtins San Floriana), she's so fun to ride and incredibly talented but she keeps me on my toes every day. Which is exactly what we all need!

There is Hawtins Serenata, who is by San Amour. She is five years old, and a super mover, but needs time to find her strength. There's a couple of three and four year olds

at home as well that I'm so excited to get started on!

I like all our youngsters as I've known them all since birth and we are just like a little family! Also, two of my favourite mares, that I loved riding, were retired this year and have just been scanned in foal, so that is incredibly exciting!

What have been your highlights of 2026 so far?

The biggest highlight for me was our Inter II debut. After the Nationals, the goal was to aim for big tour, but I never thought we'd get there so quick. He has taken to the Grand Prix work like a duck to water. He loves doing the one-time tempis. It's so exciting to be working at that level. We contested the at Inter II at the Hartpury Premier League which was an amazing experience for us. We were also invited to show off our piaffe and passage at the judge training day with Andrew Gardner and Matt Frost. That was mind-blowing to me as I had only done those demos at novice level.



But the year is not over yet, so maybe a Grand Prix is on the horizon! In the meantime, we have been invited to ride in the Inter II for this year's Nationals. We are very green at the level, but it will be fun! I remember thinking last year how crazy it would be if we came back next year to do the Inter II... and here we are!

What makes the National Championships special for you?

It's the highlight of the year. It's so good to have a goal to aim for. It is such an achievement to get there on any horse, whatever level. It's invaluable for the horses to be exposed to a bigger environment for their future careers. There's always an amazing atmosphere and to see likeminded people before we hibernate for winter!

Finally, what would you say to people out there looking up to you and your achievements, to inspire their competition journey?

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Ones to watch

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is hard enough to not enjoy these moments. Don't compare yourself to others. It's you and your horse. Show off the connection and the hours of training with your horse.

A show is not the final destination, it's part of your journey. Mistakes can boost you as much as wins. There's always a lesson to be learnt for the future. I love learning so if it goes wrong, I turn it into a positive and learn from it.

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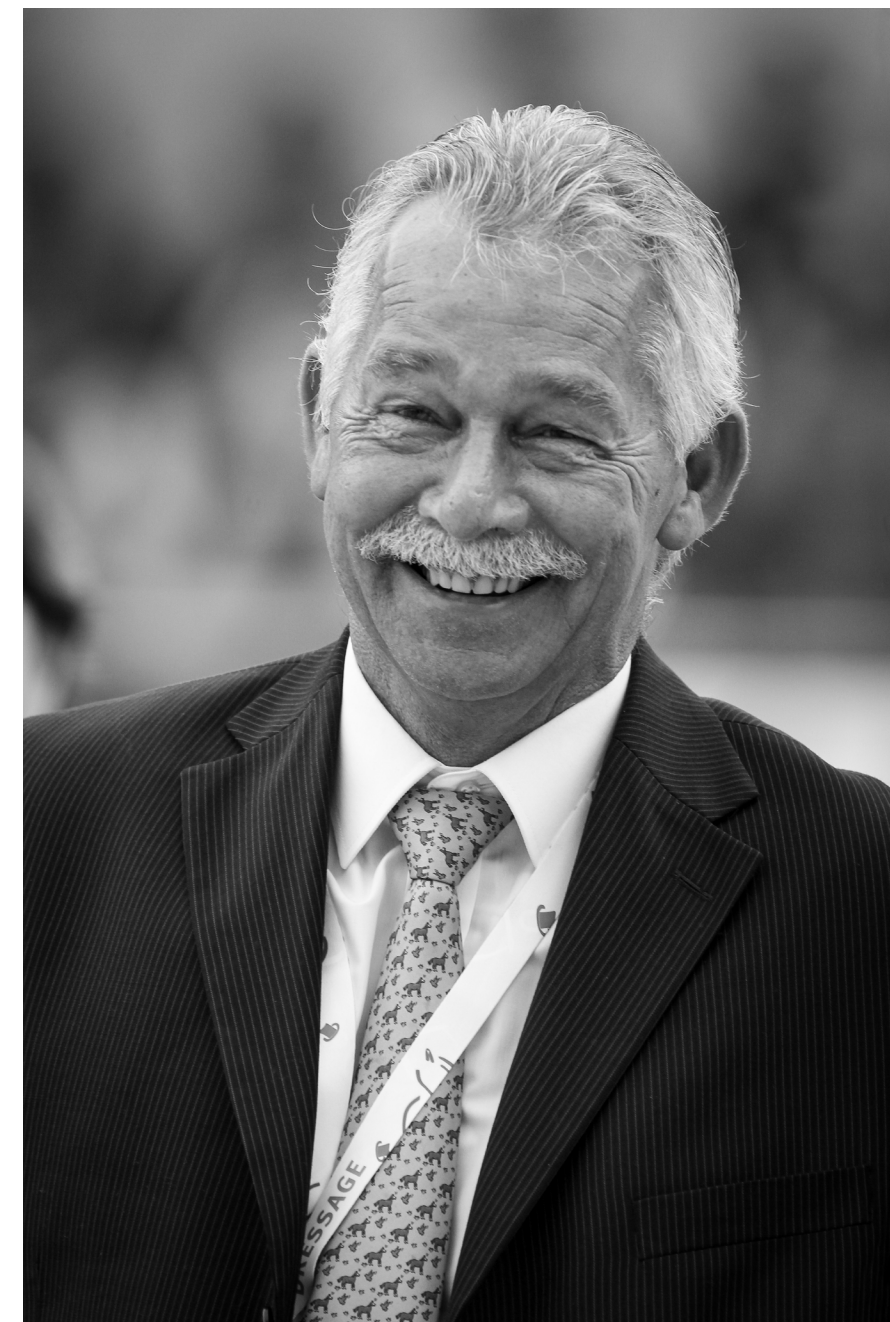
Celebrating Stephen Clarke

On Saturday 13 June, one of British Dressage's most prominent figureheads, Stephen Clarke, sadly passed away. Stephen has left behind a legacy like no other, a person recognised for not only his extensive judging and training; but for his enthusiasm, generosity and guidance that he gave throughout the years.

Stephen's lifelong love of horses began as a boy growing up in a small Welsh village, where a neighbouring farmer's ponies first captured his imagination. From there, Stephen went on to enjoy early success in his equestrian career as a showjumper and eventer, before his love of training horses ultimately led him to dressage.

As a rider, Stephen won five National Championships titles, represented Great Britain in international competition throughout the 70's and 80's, attended in the 1980 Alternative Olympics held at Goodwood, and was the reserve combination for the 1988 Seoul Olympics.

Stephen began his judging career in his early 20's, as he was "fed up with everyone moaning about the judging." When he decided to step away from competing, he spent the next three decades dedicating his time to the development of the sport, rising through the ranks to become an internationally respected 5* FEI judge. Stephen also ran and supported Somerford Park for many years alongside his loving partner of more than 40 years, Julian, whilst also running a working pupil scheme at Cotton Equestrian



Centre in Cheshire. As a 5* FEI judge, he officiated at countless international championships, including his first Olympic Games in Athens in 2004. He described his proudest moment was

as President of the Ground Jury at London in 2012, then returning to the judging panel at the 2016 Games in Rio, where he saw Great Britain enjoy back-to-back Olympic medal success.

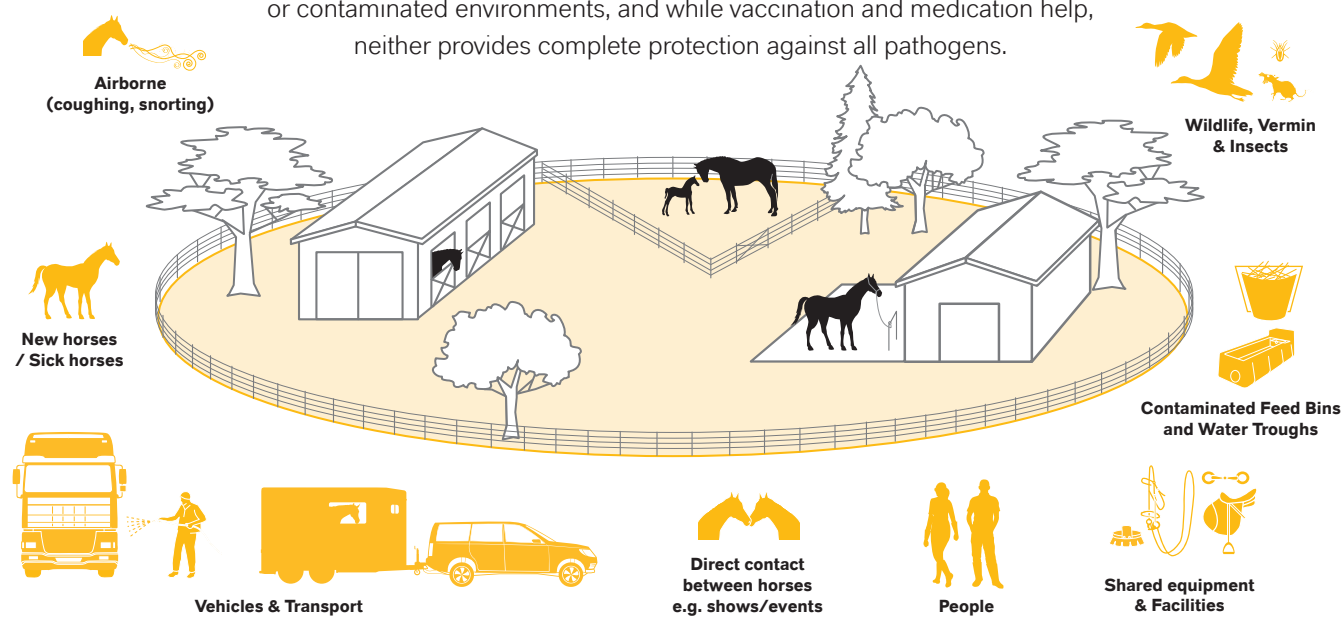
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As a member of the FEI Dressage Committee Stephen was instrumental in putting together the FEI judge's handbook - now considered the bible of modern judging. His efforts earned tremendous respect for British judges worldwide and contributed greatly to the reputation and profile of dressage as a sport.

A Fellow of the British Horse Society and former President of the International Dressage Officials Club, Stephen was presented with a British Equestrian Medal of Honour in 2000 and The Queen's Award for Equestrianism in 2010.

In a tribute made by the International Dressage Officials Club following Stephen's passing, they wrote that "Stephen was, quite simply, one of the greatest gifts the sport of dressage has ever received.

His passing leaves a stillness in our world that will take a long time to fill - and yet, if we listen carefully, we can still hear his voice: warm, measured, often wonderfully witty, and always pointing us toward what is right and good in this sport we all love."

Closer to home, Stephen was an integral part of British Dressage throughout



his career. Stephen was one of the founding Directors on the British Dressage Board between 1997 and 2000, when the organisation was established as an independent National Governing Body for the sport, and chaired BD's Judges Committee for almost a decade. During this time, he made a significant contribution to the development of our judging systems, encouraging more judges to come forward and improving standards of officiating. In 2022 Stephen was appointed as Vice-President of British Dressage, in recognition of the ambassadorial role he had played for Great Britain over many decades, and received the inaugural Linda Whetstone Memorial Trophy, the highest accolade that British Dressage bestows to those who have made an outstanding contribution to the sport.

Outside of his love of the sport, Stephen was a keen gardener at home, keeping what BD Chair Jill Day described as a "haven of peace and animals", which he shared with Julian. Stephen was very close to his family, including his brother and his parents, and a friend to so many inside the sport and across the equestrian community.

Stephen is greatly missed and warmly remembered by all who had the privilege of knowing him.

Meet your masterclass hosts

Abi Lyle

Now based in the UK, but originally from Bangor, Northern Ireland, Abi began her riding career as a teenager after buying her first horse following her GCSE's. She later moved to England to work and train to be a dressage rider under the guidance of Carl Hester. Now based in Gloucestershire, Abi has established herself as a coach and rider who regularly holds clinics across the country and competes for Ireland at an international level.

Abi attended the FEI World Championships in 2022 with Giraldo; she then went on to compete at the Riesenbeck European Championships in 2023 with Farrell. Ultimately, Abi earned herself a place on the Irish Olympic team for Paris 2024 following



a successful season of campaigning at 3* and 4* level. Abi took a break from international competition following the Olympics, making her return aboard Farrell in March of this year at CDI4* Lier where the pair finished 12th in the Freestyle competition. In the domestic CDIs for 2026, Abi has attended the Hartpury,

Hickstead and Wellington CDI3* events, where she consistently finished in the top five aboard her own and Caroline Clarry's Giraldo. Outside of CDIs, Abi has a string of horses at home across the levels. At the Hartpury regionals, Abi took the win in the Advanced Medium and TopSpec Medium Gold classes with Fenella Quinn's Neverland MFS.

Ruby Hughes

Ruby Hughes had a very different start to her dressage career than most. Starting off in Vaulting, Ruby was a part of the 2019 European Championships Vaulting Squad before starting to pursue a dressage career in 2020. Ruby competed at her first Dressage European Championships in 2021 at Strezgom, Poland, as an individual Pony rider whilst still competing in vaulting. She competed in



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her final international Vaulting competition at Aachen in 2021, where the team finished fourth. Since 2021, Ruby has competed at the European Championships four times (2022, 2023, 2024 and 2026) at Pony, Junior and Young Rider level.

Ruby currently has a collection of horses at home, ranging from young horses through to Grand Prix, and recently acquired the ride of Abi and Fenella Quinn's Farrell with the support of Eline Pedersen. This new duo burst on to the scene at the Myerscough High Profile show in April, where they won the U25 Grand Prix, and more recently won the Bury Farm High Profile Grand Prix competition with just over 70%. Ruby was also a part of the Young Rider team that travelled out to Hungary this year with Emma Blundell's Mount St John Jazz Dance, where the British team finished within touching distance of the medals in fourth place.



Judy Harvey

British Dressage's own International Director Judy Harvey will be hosting Sunday's masterclass. Judy started her journey with a non-horsey family, and at four years old used to follow the greengrocer's horse and cart down the road just so she would be able to pat them. In an interview, she recounted her first ride on a horse was when she was visiting her aunt and got the opportunity to sit on a horse who lived in a nearby field. This horse ended up running away with Judy until she decided to bail out; she recounted how it put her sister off horses for life but Judy was hooked! Her first horse was a just-broken Anglo-Arab where she went on to show jump, event and race before starting training with Barbra Slane Fleming FBHS, who mentored Judy through her BHS Fellowship. Judy's career



has spanned roles from a groom at a hunting yard and Riding School Manager to international Dressage trainer, rider, and list one judge. She has won multiple national titles, competed successfully at Grand Prix, qualified for the National Championships for the past 43 year's running, competed at 42 championships, and trained riders to an international level. Judy is a hugely passionate individual, who loves to share her extensive knowledge with anyone, regardless of their background with horses or not. This is shared through her teaching, clinics, masterclasses and inspirational talks, as well as her more recent roles as a commentator for both the BBC and Horse & Country. Since 2018, Judy has served as the British Dressage International Director and is the co-lead director for Equine Welfare alongside Harry Payne.

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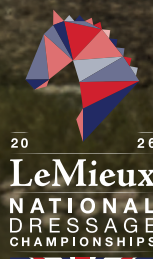
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Over the years, we have seen many British-bred stars rise to the spotlight. At this year's FEI World Championships, three outstanding British-bred horses represented the British teams, whilst another competed under an American rider.

Fiona Bigwood made her championship debut aboard her homebred mare Donna Bella (Don Juan de Hus x I.P.S. Gribaldi), bred via embryo transfer from Fiona's former Olympic partner, Atterupgaards Orthilia. In the team competition, the pair impressed with a confident test in a challenging atmosphere, scoring 69.348% and highlighting the mare's exciting potential.

Becky Moody also represented Britain with the



crowd-favourite Jagerbomb (Dante Weltino OLD x Jazz). The 12-year-old gelding, bred and jointly owned by Becky and Jo Cooper, rose to prominence following the pair's standout performance at the Paris 2024 Olympic Games. After scoring 73.820% in the team Grand

Prix despite some tension-related mistakes, Becky and 'Bomb' bounced back strongly, finishing seventh in the Special and fifth in the Freestyle.

For the Paras, Sophie Wells debuted MSJ Gold Standard (Governor x Furstenball), where she brought home an individual gold medal in the Grand Prix A test with 74.949%. 'Gracie' is owned and bred by Emma Blundell at the Mount St John stud, and the win marked Sophie's fifth gold medal, and her first since the Tryon World Equestrian Games in 2018.

Now based with American rider Ashley Holzer, Hawthins San Floriana (San Amour I x Florestan) also took to the



world stage as a part of the US Team to score 68.711%. Originally produced and competed by Charlotte Dujardin, the 14-year-old mare was bred at the Hawtins Stud by Judith Davis and was sold to Holzer in late 2023.

At the 2025 LeMieux National Championships, we saw numerous British Bred horses take the top spot on the leaderboard across both silver and gold sections. These victories include: Sadie Smith with her own Swanmore Dantina (Dante Weltino OLD x Charan W, bred by Ben St John James), Gijs Van Vooren with Judith Davis' Hawtins Quattro (Quasar De Charry x Belissimo M, bred by Judith Davis), Ella-Grace Dovey and Hannah Dovey's Sheepecote Jackson (Johnson x Don Primero, bred by Serena and David Pincus), Michael Eilberg and Nicky Hannam's MSJ Encore (Escolar x Caprimond, bred by Emma Blundell), Rob Barker and Christine Kirk's Kilan's Bartholomew (Baron x Dr Jackson, bred by Eleri Jones) and Nicola Mahoney and her own Game On II (Governer x Sir Donnerhall, bred by Nicola Mahoney).

Additionally, an honourable mention goes to Teghan Cantrell with Katrina Cantrell's Woodlander Donna Summer (by Woodlander Del Amitri, bred by Lynne Crowden) who won the Rothera Bray Under 21 Championship at Young Rider level. Sadly, 'Donna' was put to sleep at the beginning of August at the age of 21 following an incredible ridden career with both Teghan and her mother, Katrina Cantrell, who owned the mare for 18 years.



At the 2026 LeMieux National Championships, we are looking forward to welcoming more of our homebred superstars back to the championships, as we see the next generation start to be showcased. It is also extremely exciting to see several British studs with multiple progeny due to compete - Caroline Ironside from the MFS Studfarm spoke to us about what it means to her to have so many of her homebred horses achieving such success this season:

"For us as breeders, there really is no greater reward than seeing a horse that

you have bred, raised and watched develop go out into the competition arena and succeed. At MFS Studfarm, we are incredibly passionate about breeding horses that have the ability to perform at the highest level, but just as importantly, we want to breed horses that people enjoy owning and working with. We put an enormous amount of thought into our breeding decisions, from the bloodlines and pedigrees to temperament, trainability and athletic ability.

"To then see those foals grow into competition horses and achieve



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Championship success is incredibly special. There is something quite emotional about watching a horse that you stood beside as a foal, knowing every stage of its journey, eventually walk down the centre line at a Regional or National Championship. This season has been particularly exciting for us, with several MFS-bred horses achieving fantastic results and earning their qualification for the National Championships.

"It is a wonderful reminder of why we do what we do and why producing horses with the talent and mentality to progress through the levels is so important to us as breeders. Breeding can sometimes feel like a very long game. You make decisions years before you know whether they will work, and there are inevitably

disappointments along the way. That makes the moments when it all comes together even more precious. Ultimately, it isn't just about producing a horse that wins. It is about producing a horse that someone loves, enjoys and believes in; and then having the privilege of watching that partnership flourish. To see British-bred horses competing successfully, representing their breeders, owners and riders at Championship level is something we should all be incredibly proud of.

"For us, watching our MFS-bred horses take their place amongst them is quite simply a dream come true. We are immensely proud of them all – and perhaps even more excited about what the next generation of MFS homebreds might achieve"

From the Summer Regionals, there were 10 MFS Studfarm horses that went down the centre line to compete under several different riders, along with a further four horses competing at the Petplan Area Festivals. From this, they have secured several qualifications to these National Championships through direct qualifications and wildcards, as well as direct qualifications to the KBIS Young Horse Finals.

We would like to wish all the combinations the very best of luck at the Championships as we look forward to celebrating the best of British talents.

Preview

Four-Year-Old Class

Enjoy the youngest stars of the show, as foreign judge **Sven Rothenberger** casts his eye over the four-year-old, five-year-old and six-year old horses to decide the **KBIS Champion**.

Get a first look at some of brightest young talents in Britain. There’s a fascinating mix of British-bred and foreign-bred horses taking on their first major BD fixtures.

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Owner: Martin Price
Breeder: H.H. Van De Bighelaar

Sire: Las Vegas
Dam: Memory VE
Dam sire: Daily Diamond

Silore Anmore

Rider: Jezzy Palmer
Owner: Martin Price
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Sire: Desperado
Dam: Hilore
Dam sire: Special D

Solist Anmore

Rider: Lucy Palmer
Owner: Martin Price
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Sire: Willem De Normande
Dam: Wynette
Dam sire: Rhodium

Future Hope

Rider: Tom Carter
Owner: Alexander Harrison-West
Breeder: Kathleen Mayer

Sire: Total Hope
Dam: Farbenfrohe Edoste
Dam sire: Vitalis

Maverick Caledonia Anmore

Rider: Jezzy Palmer
Owner: Martin Price
Breeder: Reay Cambell

Sire: My Vitality
Dam: Loretina Caledonia
Dam sire: Floriscount



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Rider: Fiona Bigwood
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Sire: Sechuan
Dam: Donna Bella
Dam sire: Don Juan De Hus



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Sire: MSJ Q
Dam: Queenie
Dam sire: Quintender

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Owner: Helen Townsend
Breeder: Lisa Trewin

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Dam sire: Sunny Boy



Selena S Anmore

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Owner: Martin Price
Breeder: F. Van Santvoort

Sire: Glamourdale
Dam: Helana-S
Dam sire: Sir Donnerhall

SJL Sunshine M

Rider: Lucinda Elliot
Owner: Antonia Brown
Breeder: C.F. Van Mook

Sire: Livius
Dam: Imathika M
Dam sire: Everdale

MSJ Sominka

Rider: Amy Woodhead
Owner: Emma Blundell
Breeder: Emma Blundell

Sire: Secret
Dam: Uusminka
Dam sire: Gribaldi

SJL Sensation V

Rider: Imogen Swann
Owner: Antonia Brown
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Sire: Las Vegas
Dam: Naricha Da Mora
Dam sire: Just Wimpfoph

Genesis Santorini

Rider: Amy Schiessl
Owner: Amy Schiessl
Breeder: Johannes Otterstedt

Sire: Santos
Dam: De La Vita
Dam sire: Don Nobless

Staccato I

Rider: Jody Haswell
Owner: Jody Haswell
Breeder: Dan Henson

Sire: Samba Hit III
Dam: Wocata
Dam sire: Painted Black



Preview

Five-Year-Old Class

Dynamic Prince

Rider: Tom Goode
Owner: Melissa Roos
Breeder: Andrea Kotschofsky

Sire: Dynamic Dream
Dam: Balltänzerin
Dam sire: Foundation

Luxe Utopia MFS

Rider: Amy Schiessl
Owner: Gina Schiessl
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Sire: Las Vegas
Dam: Chirana Utopia
Dam sire: Krack C

SJL Zebedee

Rider: Imogen Swann
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Dam sire: His Highness

Zebedee V

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Angelica V

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Sire: Dynamic Dream
Dam: Amicella
Dam sire: Ampere

Rikardo D

Rider: Andrew Wright
Owner: Catherine Gill
Breeder: A. Derks

Sire: Fontaine TN
Dam: Zerkeja
Dam sire: San Remo

Toddington Reet Petite

Rider: Sarah Millis
Owner: Sarah Millis
Breeder: Camilla Alexandra Brogaard

Sire: Valverde
Dam: River Rise Ladydale
Dam sire: Lord Leatherdale

Kilan Double07

Rider: Greg Sims
Owner: Stena Hoerner
Breeder: Eleri Wynn Jones / Quadriga Dressurpferde

Sire: Desperado
Dam: Cilenka K
Dam sire: Lord Leatherdale



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Six -Year-Old Class

Mount St John Lady O'Bertje

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Owner: The Ruby Syndicate
Breeder: Mount St John Equestrian

Sire: Lord Europe
Dam: O. Berte
Dam sire: Contango
Dam sire: Foundation

Roulette III

Rider: Lucy Palmer
Owner: Lucy Palmer
Breeder: Beertje Wim van Asseldonk

Sire: Las Vegas
Dam: Fiolette
Dam sire: Ampere

Rhythm Island

Rider: Lucas Smyth
Owner: Lucas Symth
Breeder: C. Kikkert

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Dam: Walkure
Dam sire: Sir Sinclair

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Owner: Georgia Keegan
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Dam: Dorina
Dam sire: Danone

Vallemaggia

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Owner: Laura Tomlinson
Breeder: Gestut Lewitz

Sire: Vivino
Dam: Senaria
Dam sire: Sarkozy

Thomas Ticino

Rider: Ashley Jenkins
Owner: Laura Tomlinson and Ursula Bechtolsheimer
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Dam: Unique MB
Dam sire: Carpaccio

Melody HC

Rider: Rowan Collins
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Dam: Destiny
Dam sire: Danciano



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Rider: Amy Woodhead
Owner: Emma Blundell
Breeder: Emma Blundell

Sire: Revolution
Dam: Kom Fairy Tale
Dam sire: Fürst Heinrich

Simply Secret

Rider: Bryony Goodwin
Owner: Antonia Brown
Breeder: Klaus Meyer

Sire: Secret
Dam: Windsome M
Dam sire: Waikiki



MS Broadway M

Rider: Jezz Palmer
Owner: Andrienne and Amy Ward
Breeder: Britta Witte

Sire: Bon Courage
Dam: Rocca Bella
Dam sire: Royal Classic

Light Blue de Massa

Rider: Thomas Bobis
Owner: Thomas Bobis
Breeder: Elevage Massa

Sire: Jovian
Dam: Maroussia De Massa
Dam sire: Addict De Massa

River Rise Roulette

Rider: Sadie Smith
Owner: Sarah Tyler-Evans
Breeder: Sarah Tyler-Evans

Sire: Dynamic Dream
Dam: River Rise Nisa
Dam sire: Negro



Viva Valentine

Rider: Lily Laughton
Owner: Dr Amanda Crouch
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Sire: Viva Gold
Dam: Amicella
Dam sire: Ampere

Leonid 2

Rider: Penny Smith
Owner: Penny Smith
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Dam: Lady Felice
Dam sire: Lord Leopold



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Dam sire: Furst Heinrich

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Sire: Grand Galaxy Win
Dam: Anesthesia Utopia
Dam sire: United



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Dam: Honnymoon
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Owner: Sarah Oppenheimer and Caroline Dibden
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Sire: So Unique
Dam: Headmore Bella Ruby
Dam sire: Belissimo M

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Seven-Year-Old Class

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Sire: Baron
Dam: Dolce Vita II
Dam sire: Dr Jackson D

Freya VII

Rider: Dannie Morgan Owner:
Dannie Morgan and Kristina
Rausing
Breeder: Martina Hannoev-
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Sire: Fidertanz
Dam: Mia Mara
Dam sire: Rosengold

River Rise Onassis

Rider: Sadie Smith
Owner: Susan Garrard
Breeder: Sarah Tyler-Evans

Sire: Glamourdale
Dam: Nicky
Dam sire: Amsterdam

Quality Always Wins MFS

Rider: Jack Morris
Owner: Jack Morris
Breeder: MFS Studfarm

Sire: Quantensprung
Dam: Chirana Utopia
Dam sire: Krack C



First Dance T

Rider: Greg Sims
Owner: Stena Hoerner
Breeder: Angela Walker

Sire: Dark Glamour W
Dam: For Dance
Dam sire: For Romance

Times Orwell

Rider: Lisa Marriott
Owner: Peter Belshaw
Breeder: Peter Belshaw

Sire: Glock's Toto JR
Dam: Van Jelinda M
Dam sire: Totilas

Veto

Rider: Tom Goode
Owner: Megan Black and
Noora Hamad Al Khalifa
Breeder: Wieghaus-Vorwerk

Sire: Vitalis
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Dam sire: Charmeur

Donatus HC

Rider: Rowan Collins
Owner: Eduardo Bundyra
Breeder: Georg-Philipp Pries

Sire: Diamond Deluxe
Dam: Bella Donara
Dam sire: Bordeaux

Top Secret VII

Rider: Beth Bainbridge
Owner: Gwen Blake
Breeder: Darren Mattia

Sire: Top Gear
Dam: Halloween
Dam sire: De Niro

Vienna WD

Rider: Jayne Turney
Owner: Lindsey Roberts
Breeder: Lindsey Roberts

Sire: Vitalis
Dam: Elegante
Dam sire: Donnerhall



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Senior & Youth Championship Success

The FEI World Championships saw our senior team achieve their qualification for the 2028 Los Angeles Olympic Games.

The team, comprised of Carl Hester, Charlotte Fry, Fiona Bigwood and Becky Moody, achieved a super silver medal in the team competition, and Lottie Fry defended her 2022 World Championship title to bring home yet another double gold. Both Carl and Becky achieved top ten finishes in the Individual and Freestyle competition. The 40,000-person stadium of Aachen was lit up by the Freestyle competition on the final day and was a truly exciting exhibition of top dressage talent.

The Under 25 and Young Rider teams made the trip to Pilisjászfalu in Hungary, where they finished fifth and fourth in their respective team competitions. Mette Dahl finished fifth in the Young Rider individual competition, before working her way up to the podium and bringing

home a bronze medal in the Freestyle. Annabella Pidgley also achieved some fantastic results throughout the week, finishing sixth in the individual and fourth in the Freestyle competition.

The Children on Horses and Junior teams put up strong performance out in Olomouc in the Czech Republic, with the Children team bringing home Britain's first ever medal for the team event. Riders Sebastian Houlston, Amelia Dovey, Stella McComb and Isabella Stuart brought home a bronze medal, as well as Amelia finishing fourth in the Individual competition. The Junior team also put up a strong set of results, with riders Sofia Games, Ella-Grace Dovey, Isla Sully and Oriana McNamara setting out strong performances that show lots of exciting promise for the future. Isla

Sully rounded off her time in Juniors with a compelling performance, finishing ninth in the Individual competition and 11th in the Freestyle competition.

Finally, the Pony riders made the trip to Le Mans, France for the final leg of the European Championships. The team, comprised of Queenie Moule, Ella Fraser, Amelia Goodear and Georgie Morgan, kicked off the competition with a consistent set of performances, leaving the team sat in fifth place. All the riders went through to the individual, where there was a mixed bag of performances. Despite all the riders best efforts, expensive blips in the tests left Georgie Morgan as the sole British rider who qualified for the Freestyle competition. Georgie put on a fantastic Freestyle performance, where she finished 14th on 70.770%.



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Championship spotlight Para success at FEI World Championships

Following the success of the Senior team, our Para team made the trip out to Aachen on the hunt for their 2028 Olympic Qualification and medal glory. The team, made up of Sophie Wells, Nicola Naylor, Mari Durward-Akhurst and Jemima Green, had a thrilling week of individual medal success.



Sophie Wells topped the podium in the Grade V Grand Prix A competition aboard Emma Blundell's MSJ Gold Standard. This emotional win marked a true milestone for Sophie, who lost her Dad last year, as this was her first Gold medal since her win at the FEI World Equestrian Games in Tryon back in 2018. Speaking in an interview afterwards, Sophie mentioned that "It sounds a bit dramatic, but I almost didn't think I would make it back to the top again. It's been a tough few years between the horses and things in my personal life, so I get up every morning and aim to be the best person

I can be for my horses." In the Freestyle competition, Sophie produced yet another polished test to finish fourth overall.

Jemima Green achieved two brilliant silver medals in her World Championship debut, as well as breaking the elusive



80% barrier in her Grade II Freestyle competition. Aboard her own Fantabulous, the pair danced their way around the Freestyle, entering into Journey's 'Don't Stop Believin', to come away with a huge personal best score of 80.933% and a silver medal. "Without any of them [her support team] here I wouldn't have been able to do this", Jemima explained in an interview, "and there's no way I could have done this without all the coaches, the Chef d'Equipe, trainers, farriers, everybody. It is a full, full team and I so appreciate it. Because the difference on him from two days ago to today, the little tweaks and the conversations between everyone has really made that."

Furthermore, Mari Durward-Akhurst earned a silver



medal in the Grade I Grand Prix A aboard Nick Durward-Akhurst and Romilly Hart's Athene Lindebjerg. Mari also finished second individually in the Grand Prix B team competition and announced Athene's retirement after her Freestyle test on the Sunday. "She's retiring now, the World Championships was her last

competition, and we'd have liked to go out with a different sort of bang, but I think she'll be remembered for life now", Mari explained, "But honestly everything she's given me - she got me to my first Paralympics, my first individual medal at the Paralympics, Europeans and Worlds and she's just absolutely



incredible, and I can't thank Di [Diane Redfern], Romilly [Hart], South Bucks RDA, and Athene for everything because it's been absolutely amazing."

Athene, who is also known as "The Duchess" at home, made her international debut with Sophie Christiansen back in 2015, where the pair dominated their field and never slipped off the top step of that podium. Following their glory at the 2016 Rio Paralympics, Athene made her debut with Julia Payne in 2017 and attended the Gothenberg European Championships later that year. Finally, Mari made her international debut with Athene in 2023 at the Hartpury CPEDI3*. Over the last three years, this unstoppable duo achieved bronze at the 2024 Paris Paralympic Games, triple Bronze at the 2025 European Champions in Ermelo,

before finishing at the World Championships. On behalf of everyone at BDHQ, we would like to congratulate and thank Athene for her fantastic achievements over the years and wish her the most fantastic and well-deserved retirement.

Nicola Naylor also bought home a bronze medal in the Grade IV Grand Prix A competition, kicking off her World Championships debut in style. When explaining her first experience at the World Championships, Nicola simply described it as "amazing", going on to reflect about how she is the first Grade IV rider for Great Britain since 2012: "it feels like a real step forward, which is great. It's even more amazing because it is at Aachen, which has always been a dream place for me to come to." Speaking

after her she found out about her medal, Nicola described herself as feeling "Incredulous!", going on further to explain "I'm really proud. I'm really proud of my pony, and I'm actually really proud of the whole team because it really is a team effort because it is never one person: it's the whole team."

The 2026 season has been extremely strong for para riders, with Sir Lee Pearson and Erin Orford also posting strong campaigns for the World Championships. Across the levels and grades, riders have spent the season posting personal bests at national and international level, with the Equissage Pulse Summer Para Championships at Hartpury (1 - 2 August) rounding off the season and showcasing some of the best of our up-and-coming talents.

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