



Sara Deary on Shiver St George finish fourth, the high-placed British combination



Jim Arkley of the Household Cavalry on Ultra, riding the individual dressage test



Britain's Jane Clark on Auchendinny Homer, winner of the reserve competition

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performance, rose to fourth place, with all six in the top 19.

Capt Waygood said: “All the British riders were brilliant — two took long routes at fence four, but, otherwise, they took all the direct routes. The course rode as we had walked it but in training we’d practised lots of accuracy fences, so I was fairly confident. If it was not for Sarah’s unlucky fall we would have had three under the time, as she was well up on the clock.”

The following morning, Ultra, who had given British team member Jim Arkley a fast and clear ride across country, was one of two horses not presented at the final veterinary inspection, at which all horses forward passed.

Alan Ball’s technical and up-to-height show jumping course which, making full use of the large arena, produced few clean score sheets.

The British were the best of the teams in this phase, with the Thoroughbred Lord Bertram and Dallamore jumping two of only seven clear rounds, while Shiver St George, a rather

headstrong but scopey jumper, added only five penalties to his overnight score.

With the best four scores to count in each team, Britain rose to third place behind Germany and Belgium, while Sarah Deary and Shiver St George went up the leader board to finish fourth.

A delighted Sarah, a graduate who completed the under-25 section at Bramham three weeks before, said: “He’s turned from villain to hero.”

Emma Armstrong and Lord Bertram, 40th after dressage, rose 30 places. The Sunderland-based pair also had the honour of being the only combination to finish on their dressage score. Emma, who has her own dog-grooming parlour, has owned 14-year-old Lord Bertram for 10 years since he came out of training.

“We knew he could jump, so I took him on. Although I was a bit nervous today, he’s quite successful in BSJA classes and is normally careful. He was really enjoying himself in the atmosphere,” she said.

Reserve Jane Clark had the compensation of

winning the section for team reserves. Jane and her grey Auchendinny Homer, by the Irish Draught sire Silver Jasper, were the only ones in the section to produce a show jumping clear, taking the lead from Germany’s Winifried Muller.

“We’ve learned together and are now about to try our first advanced event. Homer has been so good that if I could clone him I would!” said Jane, who has retired from work to spend more time with her horses.

Just three were left to contest the show jumping in the national section, won by Tracey Garside, a stable manager from Harewood RC, near Harrogate, with Boardroom Blunder, for whom it was “our biggest career win”.

Team manager Hilary McKenna said: “Considering that we had a disastrous first day, we couldn’t have had a better result. Capt Waygood has done a fantastic job and has to be the best trainer ever — we are so grateful to the Household Cavalry for allowing him the time to do it.”

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