

MITSUBISHI MOTORS
BADMINTON HORSE TRIALS 2018

CROSS COUNTRY DAY

UPDATE 4. SATURDAY 5 MAY





THE LEADING PACK

JONELLE PRICE & CLASSIC MOET 28.0

The fastest horse in the world added just 0.4 of a penalty to her Dressage score. She retains her 100% clear jumping record at CCI4* level (7/7). She has made the time here twice before and only missed it today by the closest of margins. She was still the fastest today by some 10 seconds (Arctic Soul was second fastest with 4.4).

Today was their favourite phase, tomorrow will be another challenge for them. Classic Moet has 2 show jumping rounds on her record here and has never been clear, picking up 8 penalties in 2015 and 4 penalties in 2016. Jonelle (on all her horses) has 19 show jumping rounds at the top level this decade, she has only jumped clear in 4 of them and never at Badminton. They won't be able to afford any penalties this year.

OLIVER TOWNEND & BALLAGHMOR CLASS

A Badminton win and a grand slam mean that almost half a million dollars are at stake. Only denied being the overnight leader Oliver by virtue of being further away from the optimum time.

This horse won Burghley despite a pole down and a time fault last year but Oliver (as a rider) is still looking for his first clear show jumping round at Badminton in 10 years. He averages over 12 jumping penalties in this final phase at the top level.

His record reads only 5 clear show jumping rounds at CCI4* in 33 completions since 2008.

ROS CANTER & ALLSTAR B

Today was the fastest round of this horse's career at CCI4* level.

They've jumped clear in the Show Jumping in all of their 3 CCI4* rounds and have not had an international show jumping penalty since Belton 2016. Ros Canter is now favourite to win Badminton.

MICHAEL JUNG & LA BIOSTHETIQUE – SAM FBW

The 2016 champions (and holder of the record finishing score at the venue) had made the time XC on all 3 previous appearances here but couldn't quite manage that today and picked up 6.0 time penalties, the most in his 10 completed 4* appearances.

He has lost the title here on two previous occasions here with Show Jumping penalties on the final day in 2013 & 2015. However in those 10 4* Show Jumping rounds he has left the poles standing in 7 of them. Big contenders to jump clear on the final day again as they did in 2016.

OLIVER TOWNEND & COOLEY SRS

With two CCI4* wins on debutants at this level to set up the Grand Slam (Ballaghmor Class – Burghley & Cooley Master Class – Kentucky) Oliver will need to climb to deliver this again with Cooley SRS. This horse has jumped clear on the final day of both his previous CCI3* runs but these go back to Boekelo (2016) and Ballindenisk (2015).

MARK TODD & KILTUBRID RHAPSODY

They jumped clear in the show jumping on the horse's debut at this level at Pau last year and Todd will be hoping to repeat one of his 4 from 10 clear rounds at this venue in the last 12 months.



LAUREN KIEFFER & VERONICA

Bidding to become the highest placed American in the last decade, this combination currently share the top spot with Tiana Coudray & Ringwood Magister having both finished 17th here previously. This mare has jumped clear in 3 of her 5 top level show jumping rounds.

XC IN NUMBERS

BADMINTON 2018 XC IN NUMBERS

STARTS:	76
CLEAR JUMPING:	43 (47%)
COMPLETED WITH JUMPING FAULTS:	13 (17%)
CLEAR INSIDE TIME:	0 (0%)
AVG TIME PENS (ALL):	25.3
AVG TIME PENS (CLEAR JUMPING ROUNDS):	20.4
FASTEST ROUND: CLASSIC MOET	0.4 TIME



SHOW JUMPING POINTERS

Since 2010, **only 2 winners have added penalties in the final phase**. Paulank Brockagh (2014) who had one pole down (see below) and Nereo who added a solitary time penalty in 2017.

Sunday will bring lots more people adding to their dressage score. Over the last 10 renewals of the event, we have **20.4% completing the show jumping without adding penalties – 1 in 5**. There has been big variance over the years, 17 combinations from 46 jumped clear in 2017, 12 from 46 jumped clear in 2017, 7 from 57 in 2015 and in 2014 (that wet year!) not a single combination were clear!





In the last 10 years the leader going into the final day has only held onto the top spot on 4 occasions. Hildago De L'lle (2008), Inonothing (2010), Landvision (2011) & La Biosthetique – Sam FBW (2016).

CLIMBERS IN THE FINAL PHASE

PADRAIG MCCARTHY

It'll come as no surprise that Pdraig, as a former professional show jumper, has one of the strongest show jumping records in the field with Mr Chunky. In 8 international runs as a combination they have jumped clear in 7 of them and only added 4 penalties in the other.

SAM GRIFFITHS & PAULANK BROCKAGH

The 2014 champion is one of the best show jumpers in the field. From 10 top level show jumping rounds they have 5 clear rounds and added only a pole in each of the other rounds, including when they won here 4 years ago (there were no clears that day).

TOM MCEWEN & TOLEDO DE KERSER

This combination are a firm EquiRatings favourite in this phase. They are 3 from 3 clear rounds in the final phase of their top level competitions. They've only ever added 4 jumping penalties in this phase (from 18 international competitions) when on their way to winning Bramham U25 Championships in 2016. Expect another clear here in 2018.

IMOGEN MURRAY & IVAR GOODEN

This combination have jumped clear on the final day of both of their 4* starts and were one only 2 combinations to jump double clear at both Badminton & Burghley in 2017 (the other being Toledo de Kerker). Another clear and they'll be climbing into the top 10.

BADMINTON HISTORY

Nereo joins Lenamore in the history books with the most clear cross country jumping rounds here at Badminton in the last 15 years (6).

Ireland are looking for their best placing here at Badminton in the last decade. Aoife Clark finished in 8th in both 2013 (Master Crusoe) and 2015 (Vaguely North). They have Pdraig McCarthy & Mr Chunky on course to challenge this currently in 9th overnight.

The lowest finishing score in the history of the event was in 2016 when Michael Jung & La Biosthetique - Sam FBW finished on their Dressage score of 22.9 (34.4), this record remains intact in 2018.

In three of the last 10 years, the winner has come from outside the top 5 after Dressage. Paulank Brockagh was the only climber from outside the top 12 having climbed from 26th after the first phase (other years 2010 & 2008). Jonelle Price and Classic Moet could be the only other combination to climb from outside the top 20, they were in 22nd after the Dressage.