

The 2015 National Veteran Open Championships Bury Farm Equestrian Centre

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Lisa Hodges with 28-year-old Honest Lad aka Billy won the in hand diamond veteran class. "We have owned him for 16 years; he was my jumping pony when I was a teenager and now he does in hand showing and is ridden by an eight year old," said Lisa.



Bobby

Rosemary Findlay with her 19-year-old horse Otje won the in hand pre veteran class. "I have owned him since a seven-year-old. He was bred in Germany and trained in Holland before he came to me. Mainly we have competed in dressage. He is my horse of a lifetime, and we are currently competing in novice dressage classes and training at elementary," said Rosemary.



Jamie

CT Rider members Sharon Day and her 20-year-old pony Jamie won the ridden veteran class, came second in the in hand veteran class and also came second in the regional final in hand. The combination were also

awarded third place in the in hand championship on Friday.

"He was my daughter's pony for four years before I took him over this year when she moved up onto a bigger horse. He has done



Otje



Rolandro



Honest Lad

everything with my daughter and now he is looking after me. This is our first show together and I am thrilled with how today has gone," said Sharon.

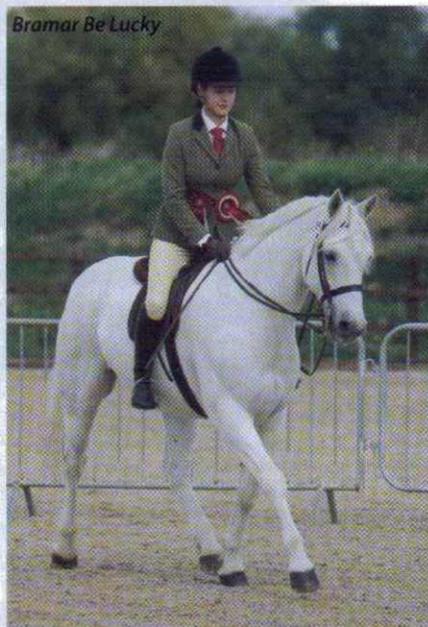
Elle Kivlochlan riding 15-year-old Bramar Be Lucky won the ridden mountain and moorland class. "We have owned him since her was four and have always shown him. He went to Horse of the Year Show six times and also to Olympia," said Elle. He won the side saddle class at RIHS and is now enjoyed at home and hacked out by Elle's grandma from their yard near Milton Keynes.

TS won the in hand veteran regional final and were awarded reserve champion on Friday in the in hand championship. "I have owned him for three years, and he had mainly done dressage. I now compete him in hand and in ridden showing classes," said Heidi.

Dawn Smith riding Alvescott Odin gained a score of 91% putting them in first place in the strictly fancy dress-age class,

Angie Andrews and her horse 25-year-old Guardsman won the in hand diamond central regional final. "He was a hunter and has enjoyed everything throughout his life. He has overcome a liver disease and now does a bit of dressage and showing," said Angie. The combination also came second in the intro B dressage class earlier in the day.

Heidi Bull with her 20-year-old horse Arlekin



Bramar Be Lucky