



Woodhead has her eyes on the prize

Amy Woodhead clams three national qualifying spots with two new rides, while young horses impress on their debut

MSJ Top Secret claims PSG and Inter I wins on her first major competitive outing with Amy Woodhead



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AMY WOODHEAD was in sparkling form with three nationals tickets secured. Amy's wins came in Thursday's prix st georges (PSG) and Friday's inter I with MSJ Top Secret and Friday's inter I with Mount St John Kom Fairy Tale. She has had the ride on the Mount St John mares, both of whom have youngsters on the ground using embryo transfer, since last November, and following a fact-finding outing with both in the past fortnight this was a first foray into the big time.

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trained horses and I'm just so excited to have been entrusted with them," said Amy. "My mum Tracy has been my eyes on the ground and I've done lots of hacking, a bit of jumping and trips to the beach to have some fun and get to know them.

"We've worked hard for this at home but my goal for the show was mileage with them both and have a nice time; to go home with rosettes, sashes and rugs is beyond my wildest dreams," she added. "And there's so much more

Top Secret's gears."

Fairy Tale and Top Secret's former rider Sam Duckworth was himself in the money, winning a strong five-year-old young horse qualifier with his home-bred G Star. The first foal of a Statesman mare, G Star is by Ganimesdes and this was his first-ever outing.

"I thought he might be a bit hot today as he can be nervous of other horses close to him but he was really good," said Sam, who is now based at Crow Wood Equestrian Centre in Lancashire. "I've been there since January; I have 14 horses in and am really excited to see what the future brings."

are no firm plans for G Star.

"I've had a few calls from people inquiring about him but I'm not really planning to sell. Depending on how he develops he might go to Dorothee Schneider to prepare for a crack at the world young horse championship," added Sam, whose home-bred Dante's Hit OLD followed the same route last year to finish 12th in the five-year-old championship.

"SHE'S TURNED A CORNER"

THE Myerscough Premier League without a win for Becky Moody would be as likely as dry rain, and

RESULTS

4 Mar: med 75Q gold (J Bailey, S Pimbley).—1, French Noir MFS (D Lever) 72.09; 2, Jerrydale (S Taylor) 70.74; 3, Showstar (J Ainscough) 70. adv med 96Q gold (K Barker, S Kingwells).—1, Helga (M Frost) 71.84; 2, Woodcroft Ferdinand (J Dunn) 69.74; 3, Ghita Fille De Zita S (F Quinn) 69.74. BD 6yo Q (H Bradley, C Halsall).—1, Woodcroft Django Mon Ami (D Hicks) 8.26; 2, SJL Baks Zacco (D Greenwood) 7.78; 3, Duchess Calina (D Hicks) 7.86. adv 102 (H Bradley, P Hayler).—1, Guess Van De Moerhoef (B Bainbridge) 70; 2, Whoopy (P Keenan) 66.99; 3, Faydirmie ZH (S Rao) 65.22. 5 Mar: adv med 92Q gold (K Barker, H Bradley, S Stewart).—1, Mount St John Di Romantica (R Todd) 69.82; 2, Helga 69.77; 3, Ghita Fille De Zita S 67.21. adv med 98 (K Barker, S Edwards, S Phillips).—1, Ghita Fille De Zita S 69.82; 2, Jagerbomb (B Moody) 69.3; 3, Helga 68.4. PSG Q (H Bradley, T Karkkolainen, G Lewis).—1, Full Fusion BS (B Moody) 71.18; 2, Summerhouse Delano (M Frost) 70.22; 3, Suspension Giraldo (A Lyle) 70.09. inter I Q (F Lace, S Phillips, A Smith).—1, MSJ Top Secret (A Woodhead) 69.87; 2, Summerhouse Delano 66.97; 3, Full Fusion BS 66.93. 6 Mar: PSG Q (S Phillips, A Smith, J Ward).—1, MSJ Top Secret 72.98; 2, Waldessarini (S Higgins) 71.05; 3, Chocotof (C Burgess) 69.08. inter I Q (H Bradley, T Karkkolainen, H Payne).—1, Mount St John Kom Fairy Tale (A Woodhead) 71.58; 2, Full Fusion BS (B Moody) 70.79; 3, DHI Cleverboy (N Kayal) 70.48. BD 4yo Q (P Hayler, T Karkkolainen).—1, Waverley Fairchild (G Sims) 8.66; 2, Harvard JH (H Bates) 8.36; 3, MSJ Gryffindor (G Sims) 8.04. 7 Mar: BD 5yo Q (P Hayler, H Payne).—1, G Star (S Duckworth) 8.44; 2, Waverley Fellini (G Sims) 8.04; 3, Kapridon (N Barker) 7.84. inter II Q (H Payne, A Smith, J Ward).—1, Samba Dancer (K Cowell) 69.69; 2, Famke PF (B Moody) 69.39; 3, Sheepecote Fiesta (L Pincus) 67.85. pony indiv (P Hayler, J Ward, T Karkkolainen).—1, Damocles LL (S Fitzgibbon) 67.60; 2, DZL Royal Sunrise (M Whitham) 67.28; 3, Fin C We (D Howard-Cartwright) 66.67. PSG FSM (T Karkkolainen, J Harris, S Leitch).—1, Summerhouse Delano 73.12; 2, Mount St John Doornroos II (E Grant) 69.42; 3, Guess Van De Moerhoef 67.29. inter I FSM (J Harris, H Bradley, S Leitch).—1, Full Fusion BS 74.92; 2, DHI Cleverboy 72.17; 3, Waldessarini (S Rao) 70.46. GP FSM (H Bradley, T Karkkolainen, S Leitch).—1, DHI Homerun (N Kayal) 69.45; 2, Rubini Royale (A Harries) 68.79; 3, Durable (N Barker) 68.46. 8 Mar: GP Q (T Karkkolainen, S Leitch, A Smith).—1, Hawtins Delicato (C Hester) 80.4; 2, Valucio (L Marriott) 68.27; 3, Cleverboy (A Ross) 67.6. pony team (J Harries, J Ward).—1, Damocles LL 68.65; 2, Fin C We 66.86; 3, DZL Royal Surprise 65.96.