



Allstar's stellar return

A dazzling Ros Canter and Allstar B top the CCI4*-L, a rider enjoys life in the fast lane to triumph and Izzy Taylor scores

Ballindenisk, Co. Cork

A YEAR and two weeks after they took individual and team gold at the World Equestrian Games, Ros Canter and Allstar B returned to top-level competition and won the CCI4*-L at Ballindenisk.

The British star pair led the dressage with 27.2 and only added 0.4 of a showjumping time-fault to that. Surprisingly, it was Ros' first four-star victory and comes 11 weeks after she gave birth to her daughter, Ziggy.

"It takes time to get going again, and there was some pressure to return this season and get our Olympic qualification," said Ros, who now just needs a result at CCI4*-S to be individually qualified for Tokyo. "We have achieved what we set out to do, which is a relief and gives me the confidence to crack on."

"Albie's real strength in the dressage is doing a mistake-free test, which he did again, and we had a lovely time across country."



Ros Canter returns to top-flight competition, after the birth of her daughter, winning the CCI4*-L with Allstar B

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how professional he is — he's a beautiful showjumper and honest across country," Oliver said. "I'm very grateful to Sarah Hughes for her support, and hopefully this is the start of things to come."

'ON FLYING FORM'
NEW ZEALAND'S James Avery

career so far in the CCI4*-S with Hazel Livesey's One Of A Kind II. The Jumbo 12-year-old, who was bred by Jodie Amos, was second after dressage to Roberto Scalisi and Topaze Du Plain, but took the lead after showjumping clear and was the fastest of the class across country for 1.2 time-faults.

"He was very cool from start to finish," said James. "I was stoked with his dressage, and he's a bit of

smiling before you go into the showjumping ring with him, and he travelled awesomely through the mud on the cross-country. People kept saying that it was a bit like a day's hunting — now I know what they mean by that!

"The horse was on flying form, so it was great it all came together to give me my first CCI4* win on only my 10th start at the level."

Izzy Taylor was second with