## ad this week Le Lion



second in the six-year-old CIC\*
and "a joy to have about" and sold

a half-share to Ben Walden the following year. Ben then bought out Kitty when Zidante was six. Piggy French finished third on

Sue and David Soley's Irish-bred Kiltealy Brief, who is by Kiltealy Spring, as is her 2009 European silver medallist Some Day Soon.

"It was all credit to the horse for doing a professional job, as I was still very sore in my ribs from my fall at Weston Park two weeks before — it was touch and go whether I could ride, 'said Piggy.

whether I could ride," said Piggy. Ruth Edge took fourth on her own and the Hassetts' Bojack JX, a Scottish sports horse by Baloubet Du Rouet. The British eventing team's showjumping trainer Peter Murphy found this horse for her at the end of his fifth year, when he had only done dressage.

"I've ridden at Le Lion for the past four years and the crosscountry was stronger than it's ever been," said Ruth.

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Nicola Wilson claimed fifth on her mother Mary Tweddle's Irishbred Annie Clover, runner-up in the six-year-old CIC\* here last year.

This year, another British rider filled that spot — the on-form Rosalind Canter, with the Karandas daughter Aprobanta. The mare, like four-year-old Burghley young event horse champion Cekatinka, was sourced from Jan Greve in Holland and is produced by Judy Bradwell, who does most of the work at

"It was the first time I'd been abroad and it was a bigger occasion than I expected, but she was great all week," said Rosalind.

home with both horses.

The aim is for Aprobanta to be a junior horse in 2013. Owner Constance Copestake, who is currently on ponies, will take over the ride sometime next year.

Tanya Kyle was eighth on Shelagh Morley's Burgie CCI\* winner Atlantic Domino.

Zidante and Aprobanta contributed to a win for the KWPN in the studbook trophy.