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Didn't they do well?

Midlands Carriagedriving member Emma Young claims Pony Fours National Championship at Bywell while Mark Riley take his second title in three years

Midlands Carriagedriving (MC) is delighted that Emma Young has been victorious at the 2019 National Championships, winning the Pony Fours. Emma (22) pulled herself up from fifth in the dressage after a storming marathon, which she won, to lie in second place overnight behind Rowena Moyse before the final phase. Emma didn't let the pressure get to her and added just 4.51 time penalties to her score to take the title after Rowena had four cones down plus time which dropped her below Emma. In the same class, MC stalwart Angie Smith performed consistently across all three phases to finish third.

Mark Riley took his second title in three years, winning the Open Horse Championship with Danno, a chestnut Gelderlander gelding. He had previously won the Novice Horse Championship in 2017 and, with Danno, was Reserve Intermediate Champion in 2018. Mark lay second after dressage on 56.34 but when the overnight leader, Jane Isaac, made an error in Obstacle 5, Mark won the marathon phase to take top spot which he made his own after second place in the cones to finish 6.77 penalties ahead of Sara Clingham.

As with Emma Young, another driver to climb up the rankings after the cones phase was Nicola Corby driving Crugybar Flash Jack (Bobby) in the Open Pony class. Her excellent cones round saw her leap from sixth overnight to finish in fourth place. Julie Tomasik finished sixth while Steve Trebble and Elisabeth Greensmith also completed in what was one of the championships largest classes.

The equally large class, the Pony Pairs – where Advanced and Open competitors were combined – saw Wendy Wadsworth complete in seventh place having been down the order after dressage.

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