

Lucy Pincus on her way to dressage success.

Dressage title joy for rider Lucy, 13

A HEREFORDSHIRE dressage rider won a national championship at a competition near Gloucester last week.

Lucy Pincus, 13, from Bartestree, won the championship class at the NAF Five Star winter dressage championships at Hartpury.

She headed a field of 29 riders to secure victory in the Petplan Equine novice restricted area festival championship.

Riding her mother Serena Pincus' seven-year-old gelding Sheepcote Sandmartin, she won the championship class against a number of senior riders with a strong score of 69.83 per cent.

"I'm so pleased – it's amazing," she said. "It's been my ambition to win a presentation rug. We won the first round in the morning which was great. I wasn't so confident that we'd do well in round two. For it to go well again in the after-

noon is fantastic!"