



Emma Leech and DHI Admirable, who she has only been riding for a fortnight, book their place at the nationals at novice

Carole initially bought Fergana as a broodmare, but after breeding a Diamond Hit foal found that the mare was bored. Lucy has had the ride for a year.

"Her canter work was especially good and she didn't alter at all in the give and retake [of the reins]," said Lucy. "She has everything — looks, temperament and paces."

Novice section A was won by Emma Leech, riding Hannah Foxley's DHI Admirable (Ocklund-Notaris). Emma has had the ride for just two weeks — taking over while Hannah is undergoing treatment for breast cancer.

"Hannah has done all the work and I'm getting the glory," said Emma. "He's got a cracking walk and today his medium canter was really forward."

Hannah bought "Addi" as a four-year-old and has trained him with the help of Dan Sherriff.