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Hello Everyone

Hope everyone is having a fabulous summer so far. It is so weird not spending my summer going to shows, but it is so great to hear that everyone is doing so well.

I have received a few results this month. The first was from **Bea Bea Meyrick** and I just had to copy and paste it in as it made me smile!

“Since her brilliant results at the Winter Champs **Crabbswood Nutmeg** (Nutty) and I have been doing a few tetrathlons which she loves, always jumping clear. Shame I'm not so good in the other 3 parts but its great fun! We went to Cothi Bridge the other week where we won the 133cm Open WHP and went Champion which was fab as we now can do the Champion of Champions.”

Jennie Howells and **Beachcraft Bonanza** have continued with their successful season with 2nd at Royal Windsor in the 15hh RIHS WHP.

Danielle Gardham and her novice Intermediate **Climax Lampo** (Rambo) won the mixed height novice WHP at St Clears Show.

Sian Thomas and **Toughan Lass** are enjoying great success in their first season together. At Aberystwyth Show, they came 1st and Champion in the 15hh Open SHP and also came 1st and reserve in the 15hh Open WHP.

Emma Hollingsworth also had a very successful time at Aberystwyth Show coming 1st Intermediate SRT, 1st Part Bred Arab and to top it off Champion Hack.

I also received an email from Janet Rowlands regarding one of our members who is hoping to swap her riding hat for a crown this summer as she competes for the title of Miss Wales.

“Twenty-two-year-old **Nia Marshalsay** from Aberystwyth is one of 65 girls chosen for the final of Miss Wales out of thousands of applicants. Nia was nominated for the title by her boyfriend, Ian Thomas. She got through regional rounds and qualified for the final, which will be held at Cardiff International Arena on 18 July. The winner will then go into the finals for Miss World.

Nia has competed in BSPS classes culminating in qualifying for the Horse of the Year Show. She has already qualified for this year's Royal International Horse Show on her Mum's and Sally Bowman's large Intermediate Show Riding type, Seattle. She's also been a member of the Welsh BSPS team on many occasions.

She has already raised well over £2,000 for the competition's chosen charity The Joshua Foundation, raising money for children suffering with terminal cancer. The charity sends these children and their families on life changing holidays. To donate to The Joshua Foundation please visit <http://www.justgiving.com/niamarshalsay>

During the week Nia is employed in the education department for Ceredigion County Council. She spends her weekends working and showing with Ron and Debbie Thomas in Carmarthen.

"I've always been involved in horses. We have about 12 and all my family are into showing. I'm out riding and showing most weekends. The best experience ever was competing at HOYS and I hope to do so again this year. People on the Showing scene who see me every weekend as part of Team Thomas, working to get ponies prepared for the ring would find it hard to believe that I am the same person who likes to exchange my jodhpurs and hoodies for a designer label dress and heels" Nia said.

Each contestant has to secure sponsorship to be eligible for the final and Nia has been fortunate to receive full sponsorship from the Andrews Group. Peter and Sue Andrews are involved in the showing world and own the well know Riding Horse State Occasion and the 13hh Show Hunter Pony Rhoden Master Frederick.

Nia needs your support as the completion is judged partly by public vote. To vote for Nia as Miss Wales text her name, Nia Marshalsay to 84205 or phone 0901 656 1550 and enter 47 when asked."

Good luck Nia, please, please, please everyone support Nia by voting.

Good luck to everyone who is competing at Hickstead. I look forward to hearing all your results. Don't forget to send me your results by July 14th.

Don't forget you can download your schedule for the summer show by visiting www.bspswales.co.uk.

All the best

Kirsty
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