



Alice Casburn
GBR

It will be a first Burghley for British rider Alice Casburn (20) and her ride Topspin – the pair was 19th on their 5* debut at Pau last year and finished in the same place at Badminton this spring. They have recently won team gold and individual bronze at the Young Rider European Championships at Hartpury. Alice, the youngest rider at this year's competition, is based in Corpusty, 16 miles north of Norwich in Norfolk.

Alice has just completed an AASE (Advanced Apprenticeship in Sporting Excellence) with Haddon Training and is currently enjoying her first year dedicated to riding without education commitments. In 2019 with Topspin she was a member of the British squad at the Junior European Championships (16th).

Alice's mother Caroline Casburn rode at Badminton 1994 and later that year was a member of the British squad at the WEG in the Hague (Grey Ghost). Topspin, who is a second generation homebred, was originally competed by Caroline in showjumping to Grade A as he was considered too sharp for Alice who eventually took the reins in 2018 when he was 10, after 'years of being desperate for the ride'.

She enjoys regular beach swims (whatever the season) and scuba diving.

Topspin, owned by Caroline Casburn is a British-bred AES registered 14-year-old gelding. Bred by the Walter Casburn he is by the KWPN sire Zento out of Capriati by the thoroughbred El Conquistador. He is described as 'incredibly quirky and not the easiest' and is especially horse shy in the warm-up arena. He is, however, considered a member of the family. He is 17.1hh and still lives in the same stable he was born in.

Results

- 2022 – Hartpury CH-EU-Y-CCI3*L 3rd Topspin (team gold)
- 2022 – Badminton CCI5*L 19th Topspin
- 2022 – Burnham Market CCI4*S 11th Topspin
- 2021 – Pau CCI5*L 19th Topspin
- 2021 – Little Downham CCI4*S 2nd Topspin
- 2021 – Blair Castle CCI4*L 2nd Topspin
- 2021 – Bicton CCIu254*L 17th Topspin
- 2021 – Houghton Hall CCIO4* NC S 23rd Topspin
- 2021 – Aston-le-Walls CCI4*S 30th Topspin
- 2020 – Bicton CCI3*L 4th Topspin
- 2020 – Little Downham CCI4*S 15th Topspin
- 2019 – Osberton CCI3*L 51st Topspin

2019 – Maarsbergen CH-EU-J-CCI2*L 16th Topspin