



Kitty King
GBR

British rider Kitty King (40) who is based near Chippenham in Wiltshire, hasn't entered Burghley since 2011. She and Burghley ride Vendredi Biats finished seventh at Badminton this spring. Last year the pair was a member of the winning British gold medal team at the European Championships in Avenches. In 2019 they were the highest placed British combination in the European Championships at Luhmuhlen albeit not members of the British team, and were the winners of the 4*L at Bramham. In 2016 with Ceylor Lan Kitty was a member of the British team for the Rio Olympic Games.

In 1998 she was a member of the British pony team (Red Alert) winning team silver, in 2000 a member of the Junior team (Leading Edge) that won team silver and in 2002 a member of the British Young Rider team with former racehorse Five Boys winning another team silver. In 2003 the combination won the Young Rider championship title at Bramham and won Young Rider team gold at Bialy Bor. In 2005 after selection for the British team to contest the European Championships at Blenheim, Kitty became the first rider to have represented Great Britain at Pony, Junior, Young Rider and Senior levels. In 2015 she was the highest placed member of the British silver medal team at the European Championships (4th Persimmon).

She is an accomplished producer of young horses and has been successful in major young horse championships including the World Young Horse Championships in Le Lion d'Angers, the Burghley Young Event Horse final, and age group classes at the BE young horse championships at Osberton.

Kitty comes from a sporting family. Her mother Jane competed at Badminton and Burghley, sister Charlotte has played Rugby for England and sister Lucy has represented Britain in athletics. Kitty is married to former National Hunt jockey Ben King. She trains with Tracie Robinson, Ros Morgan and Dickie Waygood.

Vendredi Biats, owned by Diana Bown, Sally Lloyd Baker, Sally Syre and Samantha Wilson, is a 13-year-old French-bred Selle Francais gelding. Bred by Philippe Brivois he is by the Belgian-bred international showjumper WinningMood (by Darco) out of Liane Normande by Camelia De Ruelles. He was acquired in 2014 as a rising five-year-old from Padraig McCarthy. He competed in the World Young Horse Championships as a six and seven-year-old, placing 7th both times. In 2019 he was the winner of Bramham and was a member of the British squad for the European Championships. In 2021 the pair won team gold at the Europeans in Avenches.

Results

2022 – Alnwick CCI4*S 8th Vendredi Biats EL Ceylor L A N
2022 – Houghton CCIO4* NC S 2nd Ceylor L A N
2022 – Badminton CCI5*L 7th Vendredi Biats
2022 – Burnham Market CCI4*S 13th Vendredi Biats
2022 – Thoresby Park CCI4*S 17th Vendredi Biats
2021 – Avenches CH-EU-CCI4*L 9th Vendredi Biats
2021 – Hartpury CCI4*S 2nd Vendredi Biats
2021 – Alnwick CCI4*S 3rd Cristal Fontaine
2021 – Bicton CCI4*S 2nd Vendredi Biats 9th Ceylor L A N
2021 – Aston-le-Walls CCI4*S 3rd Cristal Fontaine 13th Vendredi Biats
2021 – Burnham Market CCI4*S 1st Cristal Fontaine 2nd Vendredi Biats
2020 – Burnham Market CCI4* 8/9yoS 3rd Cristal Fontaine
2020 – Alnwick CCI4*S 5th Vendredi Biats
2019 – Luhmuhlen CH-EU-CCI4*L 7th Vendredi Biats
2019 – Alnwick CCI4*S 1st Vendredi Biats
2019 – Bramham CCI4*L 1st Vendredi Biats
2019 – Badminton CCI5*L EL Vendredi Biats
2019 – Belton CCI4*S 43rd Vendredi Biats EL Ceylor L A N
2018 – Luhmuhlen CCI4* 4th Ceylor L A N
2016 – Rio de Janeiro Olympic Games-C 30th Ceylor L A N
2015 – Blair Castle CH-EU-3* 4th Persimmon
2011 – Burghley CCI4* EL High Havoc
2010 – Badminton CCI4* RT Boondoggle
2009 – Burghley CCI4* EL Boondoggle
2009 – Badminton 32nd Boondoggle
2008 – Pau CCI4* EL Boondoggle
2006 – Luhmuhlen CCI4* RT Five Boys
2005 – Blenheim CH-EU-C3* RT Five Boys
2005 – Badminton CCI4* 7th Five Boys