

old Topwood Beau led after dressage and cross-country and went into the final phase with one fence in hand. But Topwood Beau got a little onward bound and when he hit the wall as well as the third part of the combination, Italy's Giovanni Ugolotti scored his first CCI3* win instead.

"He's a very good jumper – he's just got a bit of a sore mouth today and maybe I should have tried a different bit," said Emily. "But he was mega over a proper cross-country course and these things happen."

Giovanni completed on his dressage of 53.8 on Oplitas – Nereo and Armada's youngest full-brother, whom he bought from Andrew Nicholson in September 2012.

"I'd quite like to take him to the Europeans at Blair because he is easier to ride across country than Stilo Kontika [who is aiming for Badminton] – and after this weekend, why not?" said Giovanni.