

A résumé of his year as an 11 year old in 2019.

Ulyss began the season in March at the two CSIs in Villeneuve-Loubet. He gained several placings over 1m35, as simple warm-ups. In April, Rik and he went to the CSI at Bonheiden, one of his favorite competitions, and where he always finishes in the first three. Indeed, after being placed in the 1m40, Ulyss took 3rd place in the 1m50 Grand Prix.

In May, after a stopover at the CSI of Le Touquet for a few classes, Ulyss and Rik found themselves at the 3\* CSI at Maubeuge where they took a lovely 3rd place in the 1m50 qualifier for the Grand Prix. After that they brought out a superb round in the 1m60 Grand Prix, but with an unlucky 4 faults. The month finished at the 4\* CSI in Bourg en Bresse, another competition that Ulyss was going to for the fourth time. Again, he was unlucky in the 1m55 Grand Prix with just 4 faults at a not very difficult upright. He barely touched it with a back leg. What a shame, as our stallion jumped fantastically, flying over all the more problematic fences.

In June, Ulyss and Rik broke the spell by winning the 1m60 Grand Prix at the 4\* Harthill Bolesworth, a competition in two rounds. No one could catch Ulyss in the second round despite a lot of competition. He won in front of Laura Kraut, who came second in the class. Rik commented: "There, they really had to chase Ulyss."

Following this, at the end of June, Ulyss took part in his first 1m60 Grand Prix at the 5\* CSI at Knokke. A great experience. We have seen that our stallion has the means to jump at this level. He just needs a bit more experience.

In July, still in Knokke, Ulyss and Rik continued their run at a 3\* CSI. They won the 1m45 and were placed 8th in the 1m55, after the night time jump off.

The season ended at the 5\* CSI at Dinard. Ulyss gave his all, and we decided that he deserved a rest.