

FIRST WIN Jeanette Brakewell

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FOLLOWING on from her second in the advanced intermediate, Jeanette Brakewell upped the ante to win intermediate section M with Sally Hayward's Direct Region. Jeanette has ridden the Nordic Region gelding for just under 12 months and is heading for Hopetoun's CCI2*.

"Showjumping has always been his downfall but he was diagnosed with kissing spines last year, had three ligaments cut over the winter and he's a different horse," said Sallv.

Sally herself rode in the BE90 on Midnight Chase, who finished fifth in the 2011 Cheltenham Gold Cup behind three of the alltime National Hunt greats Long Run, Denman and Kauto Star.