

## Ben Maher MBE

**Date of Birth:** 30<sup>th</sup> January 1983

**Lives:** Bishop's Stortford, Hertfordshire

**Ranking:** For Longines [click here](#)

Based in Bishops Stortford (Hertfordshire) Ben won his first Championship team medal in 2011 at the European Championships in Madrid. A year later saw him put Great Britain back on the map as world leaders when alongside his team mates he won Team Gold at the London 2012 Olympic Games with the homebred stallion Tripple X III. 2013 saw Ben on the European Championship Team once again, this time in Herning, Denmark with Cella where they secured both Team Gold and Individual Silver.

Learning to ride at the age of just eight years old he regularly competed in pony classes from a young age. Deciding that he wanted to follow a career within the sport he started training with former British Team riders Ted & Liz Edgar in Warwickshire before heading for Switzerland where he spent a couple of years with Beat Mandli.

As a Young Rider he enjoyed considerable success, culminating with his inclusion on the Gold Medal winning team at the 2004 Young Rider European Team Championships. On a senior level his name was put firmly on the map when he won the Hickstead Derby in 2005. It wasn't long before Ben started to make appearances on senior British Nations Cup Teams and his first Championship appearance came in 2011 at the European Championships where he won Team Bronze.

In 2012 he was awarded an MBE (Member of the Order of the British Empire).

**Did you know:** When Ben first started with the Pony Club he'd have a go at everything and would fall off every time!

**Major Achievements:** Total Medals = 7; Total Nations Cups = 38

### Championships/Games Statistics

	Medals / Placing		
	Year	Team	Individual
Olympic Games	2012	Gold	9 <sup>th</sup> =
	2008	5 <sup>th</sup>	-
Senior European Championship	2013	Gold	Silver
	2011	Bronze	
Young Rider European Championship	2004	Gold	-

### Top Current Horses

Name	Owner	Sire	Country of Origin	Year of Birth	Sex	Colour
Aristo Z	Ben Maher & Helen Wang	Andiamo	Belgium	2004	G	Chestnut
Cella	Jane F Clark	Cento	Belgium	2002	M	Grey
Diva II	Tatiana Korsakova	Kannan	UK	2005	M	Chestnut
Wings Sublieme	Stoneridge Farm	Oklund	Netherlands	2003	M	Bay



## Major Achievements

### Top achievements during 2014

#### **CSI 5\* London (Gbr) Global Champions Tour**

1.60m Grand Prix 10<sup>th</sup> (Cella)  
1.55m Sapinda Preis 8<sup>th</sup> (Aristo Z)

#### **CSIO 5\* Dublin (Ireland)**

##### **Member of Nations Cup team 2<sup>nd</sup> (Cella)**

1.60m Qualifier for the GP 2<sup>ND</sup> (Aristo Z)  
1.50m Winning Round 2<sup>nd</sup> (Aristo Z)

#### **World no 3 Rider – July**

#### **CSIO 5\* Hickstead (Gbr)**

##### **Member of Nations Cup Team 6<sup>th</sup> (Wings Sublieme)**

1.50m Bunn Leisure Trophy 3<sup>rd</sup> (Diva II)

**CSIO 5\* Aachen (Ger) 1.45 Men v's Women = Men 1<sup>st</sup> (Diva II)**

**CSI 5\* Global Champs Tour – Paris Eiffel (Fra) 1.50m 1<sup>st</sup> (Aristo Z)**

#### **World no 2 Rider – June**

#### **CSI 5\* Global Champs Tour – Monte Carlo (Mon)**

1.45m 2 Phases 1<sup>st</sup> (Aristo Z)  
1.55m 8<sup>TH</sup> (Wings Sublieme)  
1.55m 4<sup>th</sup> (Wings Sublieme)

#### **CSI 5\* Global Champs Tour- Cannes (Fra)**

1.50m 4<sup>TH</sup> (Wings Sublieme)  
1.50m 3<sup>rd</sup> (Diva II)  
1.50M 6<sup>TH</sup> (Diva II)

#### **CSI 5\* St Tropez (Fra)**

1.50m 6<sup>th</sup> (Wings Sublieme)  
1.50m Accumulator 5<sup>th</sup> (Diva II)

#### **World no 2 Rider - May**

#### **CSI 5\* Hamburg (Ger) GLOBAL CHAMPS TOUR**

1.60m Grand Prix 2<sup>nd</sup> (Cella)

#### **CSIO 5\* Rome (Ita)**

##### **Member of Nations Cup Team – 4<sup>th</sup> (Cella)**

#### **CSIO 5\* La Baule (Fra)**

##### **Member of Nations Cup Team, =3<sup>rd</sup> (Urico)**

**CSI 3\* Beijing III (Chn) 1.45m 3<sup>rd</sup> (Leena II)**

#### **CSI 5\* Madrid (Esp) Global Champions Tour –**

1.45m 4<sup>th</sup> (Aristo Z)  
1.45m 5<sup>th</sup> (Aristo Z)



1.60m Global Champs Grand Prix 7<sup>TH</sup> (Cella)

#### **World No 2 Rider - April**

**CSI 5\* Antwerpen (Bel) Global Champions Tour –**  
1.55m 5<sup>th</sup> (Wings Sublieme)

#### **CSI 4\* Antwerpen (Bel)**

BMW MASTERS – WINNER TAKES IT ALL 5<sup>TH</sup> (Wings Sublieme)

#### **World No 2 Rider - March**

**CSI 5\* Wellington, FI (USA) WEEK #12**  
1.60m FTI CONSULTING FINALE GP 12<sup>th</sup> (Cella)  
**LEADING RIDER OF THE FESTIVAL**

**CSI 4\* Wellington, FI (USA) WEEK #11**  
1.60m Grand Prix 5<sup>th</sup> (Urigo)  
1.50m SUNCAST jumper Classic 1<sup>st</sup> (Diva)

**CSI 2\*W Ocala, FI (USA) Grand Prix FEI World Cup 1<sup>st</sup> (Aristo Z)**

**CSI 3\* Wellington FI (USA) Week #10**  
1.50m 12<sup>th</sup> (Diva II)  
1.45m 4<sup>TH</sup> (Kavanagh IV)  
1.60m HORSEWEAR GP 1<sup>st</sup> (Urigo)

**CSI 4\* W Wellington FI (USA) Week #9**  
1.45m G&C Farm 1<sup>st</sup> (Aristo Z)  
1.60m GP FEI World Cup 8<sup>th</sup> (Cella)

#### **World No 2 Rider – February**

**CSIO 4\* Wellington FI (USA) Week #8**  
**Member of Nations Cup Team 2<sup>nd</sup> (Diva II)**  
1.50m Grand Prix 1<sup>st</sup> (Urigo)

**CSI 4\* Wellington, FI (USA) Week #7**  
1.45m 7<sup>th</sup> (Urigo )  
1.60m GP 3<sup>rd</sup> (Cella)

**CSI 5\* Wellington, FI (USA) Week #5**  
1.50m 1<sup>st</sup> (Urigo)  
1.50m 7<sup>th</sup> (Cella)  
1.60m Grand Prix Rolex FEI World Cup 1<sup>ST</sup> (Cella)

#### **World No 2 Rider – January**

**CSI 2\* Wellington, Florida**  
Week #4 1.50m 5<sup>th</sup> Table A with jump off

**CSI 3\* Wellington, FI (USA) week #3**  
1.45m 3<sup>rd</sup> (Aristo)



1.60m Grand Prix 1<sup>ST</sup> (Cella)

**CSI 2\* Wellington, Florida**

Week #2 1.45m 11<sup>TH</sup> Urico, 1.45m Grand Prix 9<sup>th</sup> Urico

Week #1 Grand Prix 1<sup>st</sup> Kavanagh

Top achievements during 2013

**World no 2 Rider - December**

**World No 1 Rider September, October and November.**

**CSI 5\* London Olympia (Gbr)**

1.45m The Santa Stakes 7th (Diva II)

Alltech Christmas Puissance =7th (Noctambule Courcelle)

1.60m Grand Prix 1st (Tripple X III)

**CSI 5\* Geneva (Sui)** 1.55m Credit Suisse GP 2<sup>nd</sup> (Cella)

**CSI 5\* Paris (Fra)** 1.45m Longines Speed Challenge 5th (Kavanagh)

**CSI 5\* Stockholm (Swe)**

1.40m 2 Phases 4th (Aristo Z)

1.60m Top 10 Rolex IJRC Final 3rd (Tripple X III)

1.45m Table C (7th) Aristo Z

1.40m Table A Against the clock 7th (Aristo Z)

1.55m Stockholm Grand Prix 4th (Tripple X III)

**CSI 5\* Stuttgart (Ger)**

1.50m Preis der Walter Solar Table C 7th (Tripple X III)

1.50m Prize of Geze GmbH, Leonberg 1st (Tripple X III)

**CSI 5\* Verona (Ita)** 1.45m Premio FixDesign Table A Against the clock 1st (Aristo Z)

**CSI 3\* Birmingham (Gbr)**

Thistledown Stakes 1.55m 1st (Kavanagh IV)

Birmingham Showjumper of the Year 7th (Kavanagh IV)

**Winner of 3 awards at the British Showjumping Awards Ball—Members Personality of the year, riders rider of the year and International Combination (Cella)**

**CSI 5\* Wien (Aut) Global Champions Tour** 1.55m Vienna Masters 1st (Urico)

**CSI 5\* Lausanne (Sui) Global Champions Tour**

1.60m Grand Prix 4th (Tripple XIII)

1.50m Table A Against the clock 6th (Tripple X III)

**CSIO5\* Barcelona Furusiyya Nations Cup Final Team 8th (Tripple X III)**

**CSIO 5\* Spruce Meadows (Can)**

**Member of the Nations Cup team 4th (Cella)**

1.60m Grand Prix 7th (Cella)

1.50m Table A with Jump Off 2nd (Urico)

1.60m Table A With Jump Off 3rd (Cella)

1.50m—Winning Round 7th (Urico)

**Member of European Championship Team, Herning, Denmark Team 1st (Cella) Individual 2nd**



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**(Cella)**

**CSIO 5\* Dublin (IRE)**

**Member of the Dublin (IRE) Nations Cup Team 1st (Cella)**

1.55m Grand Prix 3rd (Cella)

1.40m JLT Dublin Stakes 4th (Urico)

**CSI 5\* Valkemswaard II (Ned) Global Champs Tour**

1.60m Grand Prix 7th Tripple X III

**CSIO 5\* Longines Royal International Horse Show, Hickstead (GBR)**

**Member of Hickstead (GBR) 5\* Nations Cup Team 6th (Tripple X III)**

1.60m King George V Cup 1st (Cella)

1.50m Bunn Leisure Trophy 1st (Aristo Z)

**CSI 5\* Aachen (Ger)**

**Member of the Aachen (GER) 5\* Nations Cup Team 7th (Tripple X III)**

1.60m Grand Prix 12th (Cella)

1.55m Qualifier for the Grand Prix 1st (Cella)

1.50m Accumulator 3rd (Aristo Z)

**CSI 5\* London (GBR) Global Champions Tour**

1.60m Grand Prix 1st (Cella)

1.60m Table A with Jump Off 2nd (Tripple X III)

1.45m Accumulator 6th (Aristo Z)

**MEMBER OF THE ROME 5\* NATIONS CUP TEAM =5TH (Cella)**

**CSIO 5\* La Baule (Fra)** 1.50m Qualifier for the grand prix 1st (Aristo Z)

**MEMBER OF THE LA BAULE NATIONS CUP TEAM =3RD (Cella)**

**CSI 5\* Wellington FI WEF #12 (USA)**

FTI CONSULTING FINALE GRAND PRIX 1.60m 2nd (Cella)

G & C Farm 1.45m 7th (Quiet Easy 4)

**CSI 5\* Wellington FI WEF #10 (USA)**

Spy Coast Farm 1.45m Table A Against the clock 12th (Quiet Easy 4)

G & C Farm 1.45m Table A Against the clock 1st (Quiet Easy 4)

Horseware Ireland Grand Prix 1.60 Table A with Jump Off 2nd (Urico)

Suncast Jumper Classic 1.50m Table A with Jump Off (Quiet Easy 4)

**CSI 5\* Wellington FI WEF #9 (USA)**

Bainbrige Cie FEI Grand Prix World Cup 1.60m 2nd (Cella)

**CSI 5\* Hong Kong (Hkg)** Prix Airbus / EADS 1.45m 7th (Tripple X III)

**CSI 3\* Wellington FI WEF #6 (USA)**

Ruby et Violette 1.50m =1st (Cella)

Spy Coast Farm FEI Grand Prix World Cup 1.60m 5th (Cella)

**CSI2\* Wellington FI WEF# 5 (USA)**

Adequan Grand Prix 1.60m 1st (Urico)

Ruby Et Violette 1.50m 2nd (Quiet Easy 4) 6th (Urico)

**CSI2\* Wellington FI WEF# 4 (USA)** Fidelity Investments Grand Prix 1.60m 1st (Cella)



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**CSI2\* Wellington FI WEF# 3 (USA)** Surpass Grand Prix 1.60 6<sup>th</sup> (Vicomte D)

**CSI5\* Basel (SUI)** Preis Der Thermoplan 1.45m 1<sup>st</sup> (Aristo Z)

### Top achievements during 2012

#### **MBE –NEW YEARS HONOURS**

#### **CSI 5\* London Olympia**

H & M Olympia leading Rider

Olympia Grand Prix 1m60– 10<sup>th</sup> (Aristo Z)

Welcome Stakes 1m45 7<sup>th</sup> (Tripple X III)

Puissance -1<sup>st</sup> (Noctambule Courcelle)

Christmas Speed Stakes -1m50 (Milena 8)

Earls Court Olympia Christmas Cracker -1m55 1<sup>st</sup> (Aristo Z)

Mistletoe Stakes 1m40 3<sup>rd</sup> (Milena 8)

Christmas Masters 1m50 1<sup>st</sup> (Tripple X III)

Snowman Stakes **1m50** 3<sup>rd</sup> (Milena 8)

**CSI5\* Global Champions Tour Valkenswaard II (Ned):** 4<sup>th</sup> 1.50m (Aristo Z)

Olympic Games, London (GBR): Team Gold, Individual 9<sup>th</sup>= (*Tripple X III*)

**CSI5\* Global Champions Tour Monte Carlo (Mon):** 1<sup>st</sup> 1.45m, 2<sup>nd</sup> 1.50m (*Aristo Z*)

**CSI3\* De Steeg (Ned):** 1<sup>st</sup> Grand Prix, 2<sup>nd</sup> 1.50m (*Silver Exchangell*), 2<sup>nd</sup> 1.50m (*Quite Easy 4*), =1<sup>st</sup> Puissance (*Noctambule Courcelle*)

**CSI5\* Global Champs Tour Wiesbaden (Ger):** 2<sup>nd</sup> 1.45m (*Aristo Z*)

**CSIO5\* TL La Baule (Fra):** 5<sup>th</sup> Nations Cup, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grand Prix (*Tripple X III*)

**CSI5\* Valencia (Esp):** 1<sup>st</sup> Grand Prix (*Tripple X III*)

**CSI5\* Oliva (Esp) Global Champs Tour:** 1<sup>st</sup> 1.60m Grand Prix (*Tripple X III*)

**CSIO4\* Wellington (USA):** =4<sup>th</sup> Nations Cup (*Tripple X III*)

#### **FTI Wellington Festival (USA):**

Week 7: 3<sup>rd</sup> Grand Prix (*Tripple X III*)

Week 8: 3<sup>rd</sup> 1.45m (*Cloud Nine*)

Week 11: 2<sup>nd</sup> 1.50m (*Tripple X III*)

**CSI5\*W Zurich (Sui):** =1<sup>st</sup> 1.35m (*Milena 8*)

**CSI5\* Basel (Sui):** 1<sup>st</sup> 1.55m (*Tripple X III*)

### Top achievements during 2011

**CSI5\*W Olympia:** 1<sup>st</sup> World Cup Qualifier, Leading rider of the show (*Tripple X III*)

**CSI5\* Paris (Fra):** 1<sup>st</sup> 1.55m (*Tripple X III*)

**Senior European Championships, Madrid (Esp):** Team Bronze (*Tripple X III*)

**CSIO5\* Rotterdam (Ned):** 2<sup>nd</sup> Nations Cup (*Tripple X III*)

**CSIO5\* TL Rome (Ita):** =4<sup>th</sup> Nations Cup (*Tripple X III*)

**CSI5\* Valkenswaard (Ned):** 1<sup>st</sup> 1.50m Derby (*B F Utopia*), 1<sup>st</sup> 1.45m (*Voske II*)

**CSIO4\* Linz (Aut):** 9<sup>th</sup> Nations Cup, 1<sup>st</sup> 1.60m Grand Prix (*Tripple X III*)

**CSIO5\* Lummen:** 7<sup>th</sup> Nations Cup, 2<sup>nd</sup> 1.60m Grand Prix (*Tripple X III*)



**CSIO4\* Wellington (USA): 3<sup>rd</sup> Nations Cup** (*Tripple X III*)

#### **Top achievements during 2010**

**CSI5\* W Olympia (GBR): 1<sup>st</sup> 1.50m Christmas Speed Stakes, 1<sup>st</sup> Puissance** (Noctambule Courcelle)

**CSIO Abu Dhabi: 1<sup>st</sup> Nations Cup** (*Robin Hood W*)

**CSIO Lummen: 7<sup>th</sup> Nations Cup** (*Wonderboy II*)

**CSIO5\* TL Rome (Ita): 2<sup>nd</sup> Nations Cup** (*Robin Hood W*)

**CSIO5\* TL St Gallen: 3<sup>rd</sup> Nations Cup** (*Robin Hood W*)

**CSI3\* Zuidlaren (Ned): 1<sup>st</sup> 1m45 Against the Clock** (Lets Fly 6)

**CSI5\* s'Hertogenbosch: 1<sup>st</sup> Grand Prix** (*Wonderboy II*)

#### **Top achievements during 2009**

**2009 British Showjumping Awards Ball: Riders Rider of the Year & International Combination of the Year**

**CSIO Wellington (USA): 2<sup>nd</sup> Nations Cup** (*Robin Hood W*)

**CSIO Calgary (Can): Nations Cup Team Member** (*Robin Hood W*)

**CSI5\*W Las Vegas: 7<sup>th</sup> World Cup Final** (*Robin Hood W*)

**Cannes CSI5\* Global Champs Tour: 3<sup>rd</sup> Grand Prix** (*Robin Hood W*)

**CSIO5\* TL Rome (Ita): =3<sup>rd</sup> Nations Cup** (*Robin Hood W*)

**CSIO5\* TL St Gallen (Sui): Nations Cup Team Member** (*Robin Hood W*)

**CSIO5\* TL Hickstead: Nations Cup Team Member** (*Robin Hood W*)

**CSIO5\* TL Dublin (Ire): =2<sup>nd</sup> Nations Cup** (*Robin Hood W*)

**Senior European Championship, Windsor (GBR): Team Member** (*Robin Hood W*)

**CSI5\*-W Olympia: 1<sup>st</sup> Christmas Masters** (*Wonderboy*)

#### **Top achievements during 2008**

**Olympic Games, Beijing: Team 5<sup>th</sup>** (*Rolette*)

**CSI3\* Nantes FRA, 1<sup>st</sup> A4** (*Rolette*)

**CSIO 5\* La Baule: 7<sup>th</sup> Grand Prix** (*Rolette*)

**CSIO5\* Rotterdam: 4<sup>th</sup> Grand Prix** (*Rolette*)

**CSIO5\* TL St Gallen (Sui): Nations Cup Team Member** (*Rolette*)

**CSIO5\* TL Rotterdam: Nations Cup Team Member** (*Rolette*)

**CSIO Calgary (Can): Nations Cup Team Member** (*Robin Hood W*)

**British Masters Invitational: 1<sup>st</sup> British Masters** (*Robin Hood W*)

**CSI5\* Calgary: 1<sup>st</sup> Small Grand Prix** (*Robin Hood W*)

#### **Top achievements pre 2008**

**2007 Horse of the Year Show: 1<sup>st</sup> Ann Martin Memorial Cup** (*Gem of India*)

**2007 CSI-W Mechelen: 1<sup>st</sup> Grand Prix** (*Rolette*)

**2006 Awarded the Best Up & Coming Rider at the British Showjumping Ball**

**2006 CSIO Lucerne: 8<sup>th</sup> Nations Cup** (*Niko IV*)

**2006 Hickstead Derby: 1<sup>st</sup> Speed Derby** (*Mercurius*)



2005 Hickstead Derby: 1<sup>st</sup> Derby (*Alfredo II*), 1<sup>st</sup> Speed Derby (*Mercurius*)  
2005 **CSI3\*Zuidlaren**: 1<sup>st</sup> Grand Prix (*Niko IV*)  
2005 **CSIO Lisbon; 2<sup>nd</sup> Nations Cup** (*Alfredo II*)  
2004 **Young Rider European Championships**: Team Gold (*Alfredo*)  
2004 RIHS: 1<sup>st</sup> British Speed Classic (*Equineige des Aus*)  
2003 **Young Rider European Championships, Le Touquet (Fra)**: 4<sup>th</sup> Individual (*Clouds Away*)  
2003 **CSIOY Reims: 7<sup>th</sup> Nations Cup** (*Alfredo*)  
2003 Winner of the Accenture Bursary – awarded at Olympia  
2001 **Junior European Championships in Gijon**: Team Member (*Ocior*)  
2001 **CSIJY Hagen: 3<sup>rd</sup> Nations Cup, 1<sup>st</sup> Grand Prix** (*Ocior*)  
2000 Scope: 2<sup>nd</sup> 1.20m Members Cup (*Jacquart*)  
1998 **Pony European Championships, Le Touquet (Fra)**: Team Gold (*Dusty Boy*)  
1998 Royal Show: 1<sup>st</sup> Winter JA (*Dusty Boy*)  
1997 **Pony European Championships**, Hartpury College (GBR): Team Gold (*Dusty Boy*)  
1997 Royal International Horse Show: 1<sup>st</sup> British Junior Championship (*Dusty Boy*), 1<sup>st</sup> 138cms Championship (*Tom Cobbley*)

