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## **RIDER: KAI RUDER**

### **HORSE:**

**49 LE PRINCE DES BOIS**, bay stallion, 16.3 hh, 1999, s: Yarlands Summer Song, d: Escale des Bois, *Breed:* Selle Francais, *Country of Birth:* France *Breeder:* Didier Couton  
*Owners:* **Jean-Jaques Aumont**, Geneve, Switzerland & **Rider**

Kai Ruder (39) a farmer and professional rider who lives in Fehmarn, Northern Germany comes from an equestrian family; his brother Hans is a grand prix show jumper and his father Thomas competed at the 1982 eventing World Championships at Luhmuhlen.

2009 was a successful year for Kai who was 10<sup>th</sup> at Burghley, his first four-star, with his Badminton ride Leprince des Bois, a result that earned him the 2009 HSBC FEI training bursary. That year Kai also won the seven-year-old class of the World Breeding Championships at Le Lions D'Angers with Saatens Union Charlie Weld. Kai has also been previously successful at the German Bundeschampionaat (Young horse championships) winning the eventing championship in 2007 (Edino) & 2008 (Le Carre).

Kai who trains with the British German team trainer Chris Bartle is married to Petra and the couple has two children; Liesa Marie (7) & Mathies (5).

Leprince des Bois is a French-bred stallion. He is by the British bred advanced eventing stallion Yarlands Summersong (eighth at Badminton in 1995 with Marie Christine Duroy) who was bred at Landford Common stud by the late Debbie Johnston by her stallion Fleetwater Opposition (sire of Opposition Buzz and many other event horses). Through Yarlands Summer Song Leprince des Bois also has the bloodlines of Sam Barr's foundation stallion Welton Gameful. Leprince's dam is a Selle Francais by Quandy du Mayne.

### **Recent Results**

2011 – Fontainbleau 19<sup>th</sup> Leprince Des Bois  
2010 – Pau CCI\*\*\*\* 4<sup>th</sup> Leprince Des Bois  
2009 – Le Lions D'Angers CCI\*\* 1<sup>st</sup> Saatens Union Charlie Weld  
2009 – Burghley CCI\*\*\*\* 10<sup>th</sup> Leprince des Bois  
2009 – Strzegom CIC\*\*\*W final 8<sup>th</sup> Leprince des Bois  
2008 – Boekelo CCI\*\*\* 2<sup>nd</sup> Leprince des Bois

### **Badminton**

2010 – 39<sup>th</sup> Leprince Des Bois