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## Success with MediVet ACS: 17-Year-Old Oldenburg Gelding Finds New 'Rhythm'

**The horse:** Amateur eventer and hunter/jumper competitor Lisa Thomas has had her 17-year-old Oldenburg gelding, Rhythm, since he was a two-year-old.

In their 15 years together thus far, Thomas and Rhythm have done everything from the 3'3" Amateur-Owner Hunters, to hunter trials and paper chases, to training level eventing, to fox hunting with Mr. Stewart's Cheshire Foxhounds.

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*Pictured: Lisa Thomas and Rhythm on their way to winning the working fox hunter division at the Cheshire Hunter Trials! **Photo by Alec Thayer***

**The problem:** "He's an amazing horse but has not been without maintenance issues," explained Thomas. "As a four-year-old, he was diagnosed by the New Bolton Center with bad kissing spines. After a year of treatment, he became sound.

"He's always been arthritic and has known arthritis in his neck, which makes dressage a challenge, and jumping the really big fences not so realistic at his age. He also had a front suspensory injury from eventing three years ago."

***"With that being said, I still want a couple more productive years out of him! His most chronic issue is his right hind, which then transfers to his left front and makes for a hard left lead canter. It's very uncomfortable for me as I have a bad back with ruptured discs. My vet is Dr. Celia Goodall, and we did do a quick lameness exam, confirming his bad right hind with a flexion test before starting MediVet ACS.***

"I would just like to be able to do some hunter derbies, hunter trials, and lower level eventing at this point."

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**The MediVet ACS difference:** Rhythm was started on the MediVet ACS through intravenous injections in early August 2018, and, as of late September 2018, Thomas is already noticing an incredible difference in the 17-year-old gelding.

***"Since starting the ACS, I have noticed remarkable results with his overall well-being. He feels much sounder, and his left lead canter has improved by 50 percent. I can comfortably sit the canter for longer periods of time since using the ACS. Most of the time I had to get in two-point due to my back!***

"I've also noticed that his wind has really improved. We have HUGE hills here in Unionville, PA, and his ability to push from behind, and his wind after galloping a hill is so much better," continued Thomas.

"I am very impressed! Rhythm is feeling like a new man! His stamina and soundness have greatly improved, and yesterday I took him for a big gallop. He felt fabulous! I was surprised about the improvement in his breathing too."

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