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## **RIDER: MARK KYLE**

### **HORSE:**

**26 STEP IN TIME**, grey gelding, 16.1 hh, 1999, s: Step Together, d: Festival Cruise, *Breed:* ISH, *Country of Birth:* Ireland *Breeder:* John Kyle  
*Owners:* **John & Gillian Kyle**, Co. Wicklow, Ireland & **Rider**

Irish rider Mark Kyle has been based in England since 1999. With his wife, British rider Tanya (nee Liddle), he now runs a training yard in Wymeswold Leicestershire. Both Mark's parents represented Ireland in eventing and Mark, a former Under 21 Irish international, won bronze medals at Junior and Young Rider level. In 1997 he made his senior debut, selected for the European Championships (Irish Patriot – 31<sup>st</sup>) and the 1998 World Equestrian Games in Rome (Irish Patriot). In 2003 Mark overcame a broken ankle to be selected for the Punchestown European Championships (17<sup>th</sup>) and was second of the Irish. The following year he competed in the Olympic Games in Athens and in 2005 the European Championships at Blenheim. Last year with Step in Time Mark was a member of the Irish team at WEG.

Mark also competes internationally in show jumping and with Drunken Disorderly (20), a horse originally bought and ridden by Tanya, with whom she was long-listed for the Sydney Olympics. Mark has enjoyed success in the Eventers grand prix at Hickstead and the British Open indoor XC Championships, which they have won three times ('06, '09 & '10). Mark and Tanya married in 2003 and have a daughter, Tabitha (4).

Step In Time AKA Johnny was bred and is owned by Mark's father, who is called Johnny. The young horse Johnny was described as pretty wild and proved a difficult horse to back. He is also by the same sire, Step Together, as Mark's former ride, Irish Patriot, who went on to be competed by Eric Smiley.

Nitetime Cavalier is by the Holstein Cavalier Royale out of a mare by Leabeg.

### **Recent results**

2010 – Pau CCI\*\*\*8 15<sup>th</sup> Nitetime Cavalier

2010 – WEG Lexington 41<sup>st</sup> Step In Time

2010 – British Open indoor XC 1<sup>st</sup> Drunken Disorderly

2009 – Pau CCI\*\*\*\* 16<sup>th</sup> Nitetime Cavalier, 24<sup>th</sup> Step in Time

2009 – Blair Castle CCI\*\*\* 6<sup>th</sup> Willow Fairgreen Attraction, 7<sup>th</sup> Step in Time, 13<sup>th</sup> Nitetime Cavalier

2009 – Scone Palace CIC\*\* 1<sup>st</sup> Coolio, 2<sup>nd</sup> Just Otto, 10<sup>th</sup> Bobstay  
2009 – Saumur CCI\*\*\* 36<sup>th</sup> Step in Time  
2008 – Blair Castle 8<sup>th</sup> Step In Time  
2008 – Chatsworth CIC\*\*\*W 16<sup>th</sup> Step in Time  
2005 – Blenheim Eu Ch 29<sup>th</sup> Drunken Disorderly  
2004 – Olympic Games 21<sup>st</sup> Drunken Disorderly  
2004 – Burghley 15<sup>th</sup> Drunken Disorderly  
2004 – Thirlestane CCI\*\*\* 5<sup>th</sup>  
2003 – Punchestown Eu Ch 17<sup>th</sup> Drunken Disorderly  
2002 – Burghley 26<sup>th</sup> Drunken Disorderly

### **Badminton**

2010 – 20<sup>th</sup> Step In Time  
2005 – 21<sup>st</sup> Drunken Disorderly  
2002 – 19<sup>th</sup> Drunken Disorderly  
1999 – Ret'd XC Irish Patriot  
1998 – 23<sup>rd</sup> Irish Patriot