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RIDER: PAUL TAPNER

HORSE:

71 KILFINNIE II, black gelding, 17.1 hh, 1998, s: Tullibards Shakespeare, d: Tullibards

Nightstar, Breed: ISH, Country of Birth: Ireland Breeder: Tullibards Studs

Owners: Sue White, Swindon, Wilts. & Rider

With Inonothing this British-based Australian rider was last year's winner of the Mitsubishi Motors Badminton Horse Trials as well as gaining 10th place with Stormhill Michael. He was a member of the Australian team for the WEG but failed to finish the cross country due to injury to Inonothing who it was subsequently revealed had chipped a patella – an injury from which he is expected to fully recover. With Kilfinnie II he was second in the CIC*** at Bramham last year.

Paul has been based in the UK since 1999 and first came to prominence the following year when he won Bramham CCI*** with Highpoint. Last year he was 10th in the UK BE rankings. 17 in the FEI world rankings and was fifth in the HSBC Classic series. Paul is based at Wickstead Equestrian Centre, a livery yard and riding school near Swindon with his British wife Georgina with who he runs The Tapner Eventing team. The couple has two children Joshua (7) and Madison (4).

Recent results

2010 – Martinvast CIC***W 13th (Kilfinnie II) 2010 – Luhmuhlen CCI**** 23rd (Kilfinnie II)

2010 – Bramham CIC*** 2nd (Kilfinnie II)

2010 – Burnham Market CIC*** 1st Stormhill Michael

2010 – Belton CIC*** 2nd Stormhill Michael

2009 – Burghley CCI**** 7th (Inonothing)

2009 – Burghley CCI**** 15th (Kilfinnie II)

2009 – Gatcombe CIC***W 12th (Inonothing) 2009 – Gatcombe CIC***W – 13th (Kilfinnie II)

2009 – Luhmuhlen CCI**** 7th (Inonothing)

2009 - Barbury Castle CIC*** 24th (Stormhill Michael)

2008 – Burghley CCI**** 9th (Inonothing)

2008 – Belton CIC*** 1st (Inonothing)

2008 – Saumur CCI*** 7th (Stormhill Michael)

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2010 – 1st Inonothing & 10th Stormhill Michael

2009 – 24th (Kilfinnie II)

2009 – 18th (Stormhill Michael)

2008 – 28th (Inonothing)

2007 – 13th (Inonothing)

2004 – 25th (Highpoint)