

60 SECONDS WITH MANUEL FERNANDEZ SARO

COUNTRY: SPAIN

DATE OF BIRTH: JANUARY 27 1975

STAR SIGN: AQUARIUS

PROFESSION: PROFESSIONAL SHOW JUMPER

WE FIRST MET MANUEL, KNOWN TO HIS FRIENDS AS FANFA, AT CSI 1* (A) - HORSES & HOPES INTERNATIONAL SHOW JUMPING FESTIVAL HERE IN CAIRO LAST YEAR, WHERE HE WAS PLACED TWICE ON BORROWED MOUNTS. THE PERFECT SPANISH GENTLEMAN, HE WAS SO GALLANT AND COMPLEMENTARY, BUT WITH SUCH A WRY INFECTIOUS DARK SENSE OF HUMOUR! HE WAS A GOOD SPORT AS WELL, RIDING A CAMEL AT THE PYRAMIDS AND RELISHING THE LOCAL CUISINE, INCLUDING *KIBDA*, EGYPTIAN-STYLE CHICKEN LIVERS.



What is your best achievement?

To be my own boss!

Who is your favourite athlete (rider or other sports person)?

John Whitaker.

Do you keep any pets?

Yes, three Jack Russell dogs.

What is your favourite movie?

“Gladiator”.

Who is your ideal celebrity (female or male)?

Don't have one!

What is your favourite gadget?

The iPhone.

What bands do you like?

I like U2 as a band.

What is your second favourite sport?

Golf.

Do you like to cook?

No.

What is your strength and what is your weakness?

Strength: Never give up.

Weakness: Too trusting.

What makes you happy and what makes you sad?

Doing the right thing and doing the wrong one!!

To your close friends & family, you are known to be?

Forgetful.

If you had the power to change something, what would you change?

The imbalance in the world.

If there is something about Fanfa that you would like to change, what would that be?

To have more patience.

Do you support any charitable organisations?

Yes, a few different animal ones.

And when you're not rooting for Team Fanfa, who are you rooting for?

Real Betis from my hometown Seville! 🇪🇸



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