

60 SECONDS WITH

# MARK TODD



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**COUNTRY: ENGLAND**

**DATE OF BIRTH: 1ST**

**MARCH 1956**

**STAR SIGN: PISCES**

**PROFESSION: FULL TIME**

**EVENT RIDER**

**What is your best achievement?**

Professionally, two Olympic gold medals and winning Badminton in 2011, 30 years after my first win. But personally, my two children Lauren and James.

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

Roger Federder.

**Do you keep any pets?**

Not at the moment, sadly I don't have time.

**What is your favourite movie?**

I don't get much time to go to the movies sadly – any good comedy?

**Who is your ideal celebrity (female or male)?**

Anyone who has actually achieved something and not someone who is famous for being famous.

**What is your favourite gadget?**

My IPAD.

**What is your favourite music record?**

All sorts.

**What is your second favourite sport?**

Skiing.

**Do you like to cook?**

Yes, I love to when I have the time.

**What is your strength and what is your weakness?**

I am pretty laid back and I guess that

is both.

**What makes you happy and what makes you sad?**

I am pretty happy most of the time. Cruelty makes me sad

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

I don't have an answer to that!

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

The level of prize money in Eventing!

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

Where do I start? To be more punctual?

**Do you support any charitable organisations?**

Yes I support 'The CatWalk Spinal Cord Injury Trust'. It was founded in 2005 by Catriona Williams, formerly one of New Zealand's leading international equestrian riders. Following a riding accident in 2002, she is now C6/C7 tetraplegic and confined to a wheelchair. I also support riding for the disabled.

**Do you think there is any other question we should have asked but did not?**

Yes you have actually. I have recently written my second autobiography – and it will be out in April 2012, 'Second Chance by Mark Todd' is published by Orion Books on 19th April, [www.orionbooks.co.uk](http://www.orionbooks.co.uk).

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