



RIDER BIOGRAPHY

		
Name:	Nicola Wilson	
Country:	Great Britain	
Age:	33	

Notable Recent Results

2010 – Burnham Market CIC*** 5th Opposition Buzz
2009 – Fontainbleau Eu Ch CCI*** 9th Opposition Buzz
2009 – Burghley CCI**** 30th Master Banks
2009 – Blair Castle CCI*** 1st Opposition Buzz
2009 – Gatcombe CIC***W 6th Opposition Buzz
2009 – Bramham CCI*** 2nd Master Banks
2009 – Lexington CCI**** 11th Opposition Buzz
2009 – Burnham Market CIC*** 5th Master Banks
2008 – Burghley CCI**** 5th Opposition Buzz
2008 – Gatcombe CIC*** 2nd Opposition Buzz
2007 – Burghley CCI**** 15th Opposition Buzz
1998 – Burghley CCI**** 10th Mr Bumble
1998 – Bramham CCI*** 12th Mr Bumble

Badminton Record

2008 – 7th Opposition Buzz
2007 – 16th Opposition Buzz
2005 – W'drawn Skiver
2003 – 27th Skiver
2002 – Elim'd XC Mr Bumble
2000 – 23rd Mr Bumble
1999 – 29th Mr Bumble

Personal

Nicola (nee Twedde) started competing with the Hurworth Pony Club in numerous pony club activities. Nicola is also a keen member of the Bedale Hunt, along with her husband Alastair, brother, sister and Mother Mary who was a Master for eight seasons.

She began eventing in her teens and in 1997 was selected as an individual, for the Young Rider European Squad in Pratoni on Mr Bumble, a horse that Nicola's mother bought as a four-year-old when Nicola was 13. Nicola combined riding and competing with University studies gaining a degree in Sport and Business Management and was able to contest her first four-star coming 10th at Burghley with Mr Bumble in 1998. Nicola also enjoyed success to four-star level with Skiver with who she was selected as reserve for the 2005 Senior British team for the European Championships at Blenheim.

In 2009 Yorkshire-based Nicola, who trains with Yorkshire-based former Badminton winner Christopher Bartle, gained her first British Senior team place winning team gold at the European Championships with Opposition Buzz.

Nicola has had the ride on Rosemary Search's homebred Opposition Buzz, AKA Dodi since 2004 bringing him through the levels to his first Badminton in 2007. With the Irish-bred Master Banks she was second at Bramham last year.

Pedigree		Notable Results
Opposition Buzz	(Sire) Fleetwater Opposition (Dam) Jungle Bee	
black gelding 16.1 hh 1997		
Breed Type:	TB/Trak	
Owner(s):	Rosemary Search	
Breeder:	Miss Rosemary Search	