



## RIDER BIOGRAPHY

**Name:** Kristina Cook

**Country:** Great Britain

**Age:** 39



## Notable Recent Results

- 2009 – Fontainebleau CCI\*\*\* Eu Ch 1st (Miners Frolic)
- 2009 – Luhmuhlen CCI\*\*\*\* 6th (Miners Frolic)
- 2008 – Olympic Games 3rd (Miners Frolic)
- 2007 – Boekelo CCI\*\*\* 3rd (Miners Frolic)
- 2007 – Blenheim CCI\*\*\* 2nd Miners Frolic
- 2007 – Gatcombe CIC\*\*\* 1st Miners Frolic)

## Badminton Record

- 2005 – Ret'd (Captain Christy)
- 2004 – 38th (Captain Christy)
- 2003 – 12th (Captain Christy)
- 2002 – 12th (Captain Christy)
- 1998 – 6th (General Jock)
- 1995 – 5th (General Jock)
- 1994 – 7th (General Jock)
- 1993 – 14th (Song & Dance Man)

## Personal

Reigning European Champion and Olympic bronze medallist Tina Cook (nee Gifford) has been eventing she was sixteen. She first was selected to represent GB in 1987 winning team gold at the Junior European Championships (Song & Dance Man). She was a regular and successful member of British Young Rider teams winning the National championships (1991). The following year she competed at her first Badminton (10th – Song & Dance Man) and made her first senior team appearance in the 1993 European Championships when she won individual silver ( Song & Dance Man). She was a member of British gold medal teams at the World Equestrian Games (1994) and European Championships ('95 & '99) and in 1997 won individual European bronze with General Jock.

Miners Frolic a Thoroughbred by Miners Lamp was bought as a four-year-old from breeder Maurice Pinto. The following year he won the Burghley Young Event Horse final. Despite his medal successes this will be the first Badminton for the horse.

Tina's father Josh Gifford was four-times Champion Jockey and a successful trainer while her mother Althea Roger-Smith was a successful international show jumper who represented GB and was a winner of the Queen Elizabeth Cup. Tina now helps her brother Nick who trains racehorses at the yard in Findon. She is married to

Philip and they have two children Isabelle (5) & Harry (3).

Pedigree		Notable Results
<b>Miner's Frolic</b>	(Sire) Miner's Lamp (Dam) Mighty Frolic	
dark bay gelding 17.1 hh 1998		
<b>Breed Type:</b>	TB	
<b>Owner(s):</b>	Nick & Valda Embiricos, Sarah Pelham	
<b>Breeder:</b>	Mr Maurice Pinto	