KARSTEN FORSTERLING
Rowing

BORN: 2 January 1980 Melbourne (age 32)
RESIDENCE: Melbourne
AFFILIATION: MUBC
EVENT (S): Quadruple Skull - Men (4x)
COACH: Chris O’Brien / John Driessen

OLYMPICS
London 2012: Debut

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS
Winning the 2006 World Cup in the men's eight in Poland
Winning the 2008 World Cup 3 in the men's eight in Germany
Winning Bronze as part of the men's squad at the 2010 World Championships

INTERESTING FACTS
Selection to the 2012 Olympic Team is the realisation of years of hard work and devastating near-misses. After missing out on the men's eight crew for Athens in 2004, Forsterling travelled to Beijing as the reserve in 2008 but never took to the course

In his eighth World Championship, Forsterling and his teammates won gold in 2011

In addition to rowing, Forsterling has a manual arc welding diploma

“ One of our older athletes, Karsten has been in the Aus team for many years but this is his first full Olympics. He goes into London as world champion from 2011. If anyone deserves success in 2012, Karst does. He is the personification of persistence.”
– Alex Henshilwood - Director of Rowing, Melbourne University Boat Club

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