

# The Australian Women's Register

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**Entry type:** Person  
**Entry ID:** AWE2259

## Mark, Lauryn

(1980 - )

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**Born** 15 April, 1980, Las Gatos California United States

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**Occupation** Commonwealth or Empire Games Gold Medalist, Shooting champion

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### Summary

Lauryn Mark began competitive shooting at the age of eleven. She represented the United States at the World Championships in Peru in 1997. Two years later, in 1999, she made history by becoming the youngest competitor ever to win the United States Open Women's Skeet Championship. Her win attracted ongoing sponsorship from the Italian firearm manufacturing company, Beretta. Mark (then Ogilvie) went on to compete for the USA in Italy, Spain, Australia, England, Finland, Cyprus, Egypt, Korea and Qatar.

After marrying her coach, former Australian Olympic gold medallist Russell Mark, Lauryn began to compete as a representative of Australia. In 2002, she set the Commonwealth Games record in the Women's Skeet (93 points) at Manchester. There she also won gold in the Women's Skeet pairs with Natalia Rahman. She was placed seventh at the World Championships that year. In 2004, Mark came fourth in the Women's Skeet at the Olympic Games in Athens; fourth in the Women's Skeet at the World Cup in Sydney; and first at the Masters Cup event in the Czech Republic. She won gold in the shooting pairs at the 2006 Commonwealth Games in Melbourne, and silver in the individual event.

Lauryn and Russell Mark have one daughter, Sierra, and run corporate team building programs with their company Corporate Shooting Stars Pty Ltd.

### Events

#### **2000 - 2000**

World Cup Finalist – Cyprus

#### **2000 - 2000**

Australian National Open Women's Champion

#### **2001 - 2001**

Australian Grand Prix Open Champion – Brisbane

#### **2001 - 2001**

World Cup Finalist – Seoul

#### **2001 - 2001**

World Cup Finalist – Doha

#### **2001 - 2001**

Australian National Women's Champion

#### **2002 - 2002**

Australian National Women's Champion

#### **2002 - 2002**

Shooting – Skeet, Singles and Pairs

#### **2003 - 2003**

Australian National Women's Champion



**2003 - 2003**

World Cup Finalist – Perth

**2003 - 2003**

World Cup Finalist – Granada

**2003 - 2003**

World Cup Final Silver Medal – Rome

**2004 - 2004**

Australian National Women's Champion

**2004 - 2004**

World Cup Finalist – Sydney

**2004 - 2004**

4th place at Olympic Games – Athens

**2005 - 2005**

Commonwealth Shooting Federation Champion – Melbourne

**1998 - 1998**

World Cup Grand Prix Women's Bronze Medal – USA

**1999 - 1999**

Australian Grand Prix Women's Champion – Brisbane

**1999 - 1999**

Australian National Open Women's Champion

**1999 - 1999**

United States National Open Women's Champion

**2000 - 2000**

Australian Grand Prix Women's Champion – Brisbane

**2000 - 2000**

World Cup Finalist – Sydney

**2000 - 2000**

World Cup Finalist – Italy

**2006 - 2006**

Shooting – Skeet Pairs

**2006 - 2006**

Commonwealth Games Individual Silver Medal – Melbourne

**Published resources****Site Exhibition**

She's Game: Women Making Australian Sporting History, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2007,  
<http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/sg/sport-home.html>

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