

The Australian Women's Register

Entry type: Person
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Mark, Lauryn

(1980 -)

Born 15 April, 1980, Las Gatos California United States

Occupation Commonwealth or Empire Games Gold Medalist, Shooting champion

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>

Resource

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