



VITALITY WESTMINSTER MILE

Sunday, 27 May 2018

Olympians Mile

Every year former British Olympians take part in the Olympians Mile at the Vitality Westminster Mile, to squeeze into their old kit and get their competitive juices going once again.

This event will begin on The Mall at the same start line that Olympians and Paralympians used for the Marathon and Road Cycling events in London 2012.

This year we have got some very famous names taking part, including double Olympic gold medallist and former mile world record holder Lord Coe. Among the Olympians we have taking part are:

BRIAN JACKS: Britain's most famous judo player who won a bronze medal at the 1967 World Championships and another bronze medal at the 1972 Olympics. He then became arguably even more famous on the BBC show Superstars where he became one of the most successful athletes ever, winning four titles in the British and European contests between 1979 and 1980. Jacks repeatedly set records in the 'gym tests', including 100 parallel bar dips in 60 seconds in the 1981 Challenge of the Champions.

RICHARD LEMAN: Part of the famous 1988 Olympic gold medal winning hockey team, Leman captained Great Britain and England from 1988 to 1990, ending his career with 228 caps. In 2003 he set up the East Grinstead Sports Club Charity, which provides sporting facilities for the local community.

GOLDIE SAYERS: Won a bronze in the javelin at the Beijing Olympics in 2008. In May 2007, Sayers set a new British record in the javelin at 65.05 to become the first British woman to throw over 65 metres since javelins were redesigned in 1999. Sayers, who won 11 British titles, carried the Olympic Torch through Bourne in Lincolnshire in 2012, but failed to throw the qualifying distance for the Games, due to a sustained arm injury, which forced her to retire last year.

GREG SEARLE: British Olympic rower, Greg Searle, famously won coxed pairs gold at the Barcelona Olympics in 1992 with his brother Jonny and cox Garry Herbert. After his retirement from the professional sport, he returned to international rowing at the age of 38 and went on to win an Olympic bronze medal, age 40, in the men's eight at London 2012. Searle was awarded an MBE in the 1993 New Year's Honours, following his gold at Barcelona.

LORD COE: One of our greatest ever Olympians, Lord Coe is a double Olympic 1500m gold medallist in 1980 and 1984. He has also set eight outdoor and three indoor world records in middle-distance track events, including the world record set in the 800 metres in 1981, which remained unbroken until 1997. Coe went on to become a member of parliament for the Conservative Party from 1992 to 1997 and in 2000 assumed office in the House of Lords. He headed up the successful London bid to host the 2012 Games and is now president of the IAAF.



Full list of former British Olympians taking part:

Forename	Surname	Sport
Leonard	Allen	Wrestling
Jeremy	Barham	Hockey
Martyn	Bernard	Athletics - High Jump
Denise	Bodman	Hockey
Phil	Brown	Athletics - 4x4 relay
Tom	Buckner	Athletics
Georgina	Cassar	Rhythmic Gymnastics
David	Chapman	Shooting
Rob	Clift	Hockey
Seb	Coe	Athletics
Louise	Collins	Athletics - 200m
Stef	Collins	Basketball
Alex	Coomber	Skeleton
John	Court	Canoe Slalom
Frank	Dobson	Shooting
Stephanie	Douglas	Athletics
James	Duthie	Hockey
Jo	Ellis	Hockey
Penny	Forse	Track and Field
John	French	Men's Field Hockey
Philp	Goedluck	Bobsleigh
Simon	Goody	Sailing
Josephine	Green	Athletics
Helen	Hall	Swimming
Eric	Hall	Road Walking
Jaime	Halsey	Trampoline
Pierre	Harper	Fencing
Kate	Haywood	Swimming
Marion	Henthorn	Diving
Jane	Holderness-Roddam	Equestrian
Wendy	Hoyte	Athletics
Jos	Hoyte-smith	Track and Field
Lynne	Hutchison	Rhythmic Gymnastics
Brian	Jacks	Judo
Simmons	Jacobs	Athletics
Simon	Jefferies	Rowing
Jo	Jennings	Athletics
Woppy	Keeling	Cross Country Skiing
David	King	Pairs Figure Skating
Stacey	King	Pairs Figure Skating
Roland	Lee	Swimming
Richard	Leman	Hockey
Sarah	Lewis	Alpine Skiing
Amanda	Lightfoot	Biathlon



Shaun	Lightman	Athletics - 50km Walk
Dave	Long	Athletics
Sylvia	Lunn	Kayak Racing
Joan	Lynch	Athletics
Rooney	Massara	Rowing
Brendan	McKeown	Track Cycling
Linda	McMahon	Fencing
Gerald	McMahon	Fencing
Joanne	Mersh	Athletics
Peter	Mills	Hockey
Mark	Moore	Cross Country Skiing
Susie	murphy	Fencing
Mandy	Nicholson	Hockey
Suzanne	Otterson macdonald	Figure Skating
Haig	Oundjian	Figure Skating
Alan	Page	Hockey
Cassandra	Patten	Swimming
John	Peake	Hockey
James	Philbin	Fencing
Hilary	Philbin	Fencing
Andrew	Place	Figure Skating
Louisa	Pouli	Rhythmic Gymnastics
Mark	Precious	Hockey
Ian	Richards	Athletics - Race Walking
Nicholas	Robinson baker	Diving
Emily	Sarsfield	Freestyle Skiing - Ski Cross
Goldie	Sayers	Athletics
Greg	Searle	Rowing
Keith	Sinclair	Hockey
Rachel	Smith	Rhythmic Gymnastics
Gavin`	Stewart	Rowing
Linda	Strachan	Fencing
Pamela	Taylor	Sprint Kayaking
Roger	Till	Wrestling
Harold	Tobin	Biathlon X Country Skiing
Alan	Vaughan	Boxing
Edison	Wedderburn	Steeplechase
Terence	West	Cycling
Kieran	West	Rowing
Frances	Wetherall	Sprint Kayak
Rachel	Wilding	Judo
Rebecca	Wing	Artistic Gymnastics
Tommy	Yule	Weightlifting