



PENTATHLON·GB

Nick Woodbridge

Born: 01.07.86, Wellington, Shropshire
Home: Telford, Shropshire
Lives: Bath
Started modern pentathlon: 1999
Current world ranking: 5th (1 June 2012)
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London 2012 will be Nick's second successive Olympic Games after he made his Olympic debut as a 22-year-old in Beijing four years ago.

Nick achieved the Olympic qualifying standard by finishing fifth in the UIPM Olympic ranking list – a position he cemented with a fifth place finish at the 2012 World Cup Final in Chengdu.

He was also the highest placed British man at the 2012 World Championships in Rome, finishing 10th.

His current world ranking of five is the highest of his career to date and he is the highest British man in the rankings.

Nick achieved the best result of his career to date when he won bronze at the 2011 World Cup Final in London, the 2012 test event.

In doing so he had made a piece of history by becoming the first British male pentathlete to win a World Cup Final medal. That propelled him from 30th to 10th in the senior world rankings – his first appearance in the top-10.

Nick continued his form into 2012 with back-to-back sixth place finishes at World Cups in the USA and Brazil in March.

Nick made his first big impact on the international stage by winning gold at the 2004 World Youth Championships.

Four years later he made his Olympic debut in Beijing, competing alongside fellow Brit Sam Weale. The pair became the first British male pentathletes to compete at an Olympic Games since Richard Phelps in 1996.

Nick's selection for the British team was announced the day after his 22nd birthday and he went on to finish 25th overall in Beijing.

Nick started his sporting career as a swimmer with Wellington Swimming Club. He then joined Telford Athletics Club. He rode from the age of three, riding seriously from seven.

He particularly enjoys competing on home territory and is relishing the prospect of competing at a home Olympics.

2012 performances

World Cup 1: 6th Charlotte, USA, March 2012

World Cup 2: 6th Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, March 2012

World Cup 3: semi-finals, Szazhalombatta, Hungary, April 2012

World Championships: 10th Rome, Italy, May 2012

World Cup Final: 5th Chengdu, China, May 2012

Career highlights

Olympic Games

25th Beijing, China August 2008

World Championships

18th Guatemala City, November 2006

13th Crystal Palace, London, August 2009

10th Rome, Italy, May 2012

World Cup Final

24th Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, September 2009

14th Moscow, Russia, June 2010

Bronze Crystal Palace & Greenwich, London, July 2011

5th Chengdu, China, May 2012

World Cup

Bronze Mexico, March 2006

Bronze Drzonkow, Poland, May 2007

10th Mexico City, Mexico March 2008

8th Millfield, Great Britain, March 2008

9th Madrid, Spain, April 2008

14th Medway, Great Britain, April 2010

14th Moscow, Russia, June 2010

7th Palm Springs, USA, February 2011

6th Charlotte, USA, March 2012

6th Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, March 2012

European Championships
24th Riga, Latvia, June 2007
26th Medway, Kent, Great Britain, August 2011

World Junior Championships
6th Caldas da Rainha, Portugal, September 2007

World Youth Championships
Gold Albena, Bulgaria, September 2004

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