Kate Roberts - RSA

Gender: Female
Athlete Year of Birth: 1983
Athlete Place of Birth: Bloemfontein (South Africa)
Athlete Weight: 53kg
Athlete Height: 1.62cm
Athlete Lives: Bloemfontein (South Africa) South Africa
Website: http://www.kateroberts.com
Current WTS Ranking: 14 - 820pts

Athlete Biography

Kate was born and raised in Bloemfontein, South Africa by her parents, Gerald and Karen, with her older brother, Gareth and twin sister, Tessa. She grew up in a closely knit family and community, and learnt at an early age the meaning of competition and determination.

At the age of 11 she started running and within her first year of competition gained her provincial colours for Cross Country. Kate ran and swam competitively throughout her school career and gained her provincial colours for Cross Country, Athletics (800m, 1500m and 3000m) Road Running (10km) Biathlon and also Swimming.

At the age of 15 she gained her National Protea colours for Biathlon and at the age of 17, Kate made the transition from biathlon into triathlon.

It has always been her dream, since the age of nine, to represent South Africa at an Olympic Games. This dream was conceived when South Africa was allowed back into international sporting competitions after being in isolation for 32 years because of the country's apartheid policy. After watching on television, South African athlete, Elana Meyer take the silver medal in the 10 000m at the Barcelona Olympics behind Ethiopia's Derartu Tulu, Kate realized that this was what she also wished more than anything else to accomplish in her life.
he first thought that she would try to compete at an Olympic Games as a track athlete, but when the sport of Triathlon made its debut at the Sydney Olympic Games, she soon realized that all she needed to do was add cycling training to her swimming and running combination and she could perhaps fulfill her dream of being an Olympian triathlete.

So it was in the year 2000 that Kate started competing in this wonderful sport of Triathlon.

She has never looked back since deciding to move to triathlon. After matriculating at Eunice Girls' School in 2001, she studied for a BCom Human Resource Management degree at the University of the Free State in Bloemfontein. She continued to compete in national races but only after successfully obtaining her BCom degree in 2005, did she become a professional triathlete and now competes internationally for South Africa on the world stage.

It has been a long road, but Kate finally achieved her dream when she competed at the Beijing

Olympic Games in August 2008. Her aim is to be back in London 2012 and to become a complete triathlete.

Athlete Sponsors: BSG - Business and Software Solutions, Oakley eyewear , TYR, Suunto heart rate monitors and Blue Seventy wetsuits.

Athlete Language: English, Afrikaans

Athlete Tri Entry Year: 2001

Athlete Other Sports: n/a

Athlete Education: Bcom Human Resource Management Degree,

Athlete Hobbies: My Labs, reading, music, cooking, scrap booking.

Athlete Children: n/a

Athlete Sports Hero: Steffi Graph

Athlete Proudest Moment: Competing for South Africa at the Commonwealth Games in Melbourne, Australia 2006 and the Beijing Olympic Games in China, 2008

Athlete Injuries: n/a

Athlete Coach: Dr Darren Smith

Major Games Results

Date	Event Name	Position
04/08/2012	2012 London Olympic Games	22
18/08/2008	2008 Beijing Olympic Games	32
18/03/2006	2006 Melbourne Commonwealth Games	16

Recent World Triathlon Series Results

Date	Event Name	Position
11/05/2013	2013 ITU World Triathlon Yokohama (Elite Women)	7
19/04/2013	2013 ITU World Triathlon San Diego (Elite Women)	32
06/04/2013	2013 ITU World Triathlon Auckland (Elite Women)	16
21/07/2012	2012 Dextro Energy World Triathlon Hamburg (Elite Women)	5
10/05/2012	2012 ITU World Triathlon San Diego (Elite Women)	22
14/04/2012	2012 Dextro Energy World Triathlon Sydney (Elite Women)	46
19/09/2011	2011 Dextro Energy Triathlon - ITU World Championship Series Yokohama (Elite Women)	15
09/09/2011	2011 Dextro Energy Triathlon - ITU World Championship Grand Final Beijing (Elite Women)	42

World Championship Medals

This athlete does not have any World Championship Medals

0 World Cup Wins

This athlete has not any World Cup Podiums