



INTERNATIONAL TRIATHLON UNION ATHLETE PROFILE 2009



DEBBIE TANNER (NZL)

Nickname:

Nationality: New Zealand



Date of Birth: 8 October 1982

Place of Birth: Auckland, New Zealand

Residence: Auckland, New Zealand

Height: 5'4" (1.63m)

Weight: 106 lbs (48kg)



**2008 Year-End
Ranking: 19**

Current Coach: Pete Pfitzinger

Current training location: Auckland, New Zealand

Favourite ITU Race & why: Mooloolaba World Cup because I love the beach and location of the race and the challenging course.

First Triathlon and reason: I was very competitive with my sister from an early age and wanted to compete against her in a Triathlon. I enjoyed the variety of the three disciplines.

Proudest Moment: Being selected for the New Zealand Olympic Triathlon Team

Triathlon Goals:

Personal Best: Swim (1500m) - N/A Bike (40km) - N/A Run (10km) - N/A

Most influential person in sporting career: My coach Pete Pfitzinger

Sponsors: TV 3, Weet-Bix, Orca, Johnson and Johnson, Avanti, Hyundai, Extreme Gear, Oakley, NZ Academy of Sport, Triathlon NZ

PERSONAL

Profession: Triathlete **Marital Status:** single

Education: Bachelor of Sport and Recreation

Language(s): English **Sibling(s):** one sister

Family History in Sport: Sister qualified and raced in the 1998 Commonwealth Games for swimming in 1998 and also qualified for 2000 Sydney Olympics

Other Sports: Anything water based for summer anything snow orientated for winter

Goals outside Triathlon: To make the most of every opportunity

CAREER

Ranking History:

2008 - 19th 2007 - 5th 2006 - 10th 2005 - 47th 2004 - 67th 2003 - 125th 2002 - 157th
2001 - 217th

Rankings unavailable prior to 2000

World Cup Highlights:

2006 Ishigaki World Cup winner (Ishigaki, JPN)

5 World Cup medals

14 World Cup top ten finishes

World Championship Highlights:

2008 Triathlon World Championships - 9th Place (Vancouver, CAN)

2007 Triathlon World Championships - 12th Place (Hamburg, GER)

2004 Triathlon Under23 World Championships - 5th Place (Madeira, POR)

Olympics:

2008 Olympic Games - 10th Place (Beijing, CHN)

Other:

2007 Triathlon Oceania Championships - Bronze Medallist (Geelong, AUS)

2006 Commonwealth Games - 4th Place (Melbourne, AUS)