# 2016 Rio Paralympic Games Athlete Profile: Neil Fachie MBE





**Date of birth** 12 March 1984

**Home town** Aberdeen, lives in Altrincham

**Sport** Cycling

**Classification** B/VI Tandem

**Club** Black Line

**Coach** Jon Norfolk

## How and when did you become involved with your sport?

I have been involved in sport since I was very young, trying various sports as a child. Did athletics from the age of 10 at my local club and became registered as a disabled athlete in 2005.

## **Sporting Highlights**

#### Athletics

• Beijing Paralympics 2008: 100m – 9th; 200m – 9th

#### Cycling

- Manchester Worlds 2009: 1km TT gold; sprint gold
- Montichiari Worlds 2011: 1km TT gold; sprint gold
- Los Angeles Worlds 2012: 1km TT silver; sprint 4th
- London Paralympics 2012: 1 km TT gold; sprint silver
- Aguascalientes Words 2014: 1km TT gold; sprint gold
- Glasgow 2014 Commonwealth Games: 1km TT gold; sprint gold
- Apeldoorn Worlds 2015: 1km TT gold; sprint gold
- Montichiari Worlds 2016: 1km TT gold; sprint gold

# **Sporting Goals**

Retain Paralympic title and break the 1:00 barrier for the 1km TT at sea level.

# One piece of advice for an aspiring athlete?

Make sure you enjoy your sport, the hard work needed to succeed is much harder if you don't enjoy what you do.



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