







2016 Rio Paralympic Games Athlete Profile: Jamie McCowan

> Date of birth 2 February 1995

Home town Dundonald, South Ayrshire

Occupation Full time athlete

Boccia Sport

BC3 Classification

Events Singles and Pairs

Club **GB Boccia**

Coach Glynn Tromans

ParalympicsGB Selection Date

May 2016

Personal Bests

- 2013 Gold in the European Championships BC4 Pairs
- 2016 Bronze in the Pairs at BISFed Montreal World Open
- 2016 Silver in the Singles at BISFed Montreal World Open
- 2016 Bronze in the Pairs at BISFed Povoa de Varzim World Open

How and when did you become involved with your sport?

I got involved in 2008 when I met the Scotland coach, Claire Morrison, during a boccia come and try session at the Ayrshire Special Games. I was asked to attend Scotland squad training and progressed from there.

Sporting Highlights

- I was selected to represent the GB squad at age 14
- Winning BC4 European Pairs Gold in 2013
- Being re-selected for the GB squad in 2015 in the BC3 category
- Winning 3 2016 World Open medals
- Being Selected for Rio 2016

Sporting Goals

To become World Champion. To become World No 1. To win Paralympic Gold in Pairs and Singles events.

One piece of advice for an aspiring athlete?

Work hard and put the hours in over everything else.

