



# WHEELZ-ON-THE-LINE

CURTIS THOM | 2X PARALYMPIAN

Curtis Thom was born with Spina Bifida and Hydrocephalus. He was the 1998 Provincial Easter Seal Timmy and became the Friends of We Care Male Ambassador from 1999 to 2001, helping to raise money to help send Canadian children with physical disabilities to Easter Seals summer camps.

Curtis was the recipient of the 2003 Ontario Wheelchair Sports Male Athlete of the Year, 2003 Sport Alliance Athlete with a Disability of the Year and the Mississauga Sports Council 2001, 2003, 2008, 2009 Disabled Athlete of the Year.

At his first Paralympics in Athens, Greece in 2004, he represented Canada in the 800 Metre, 4 x 400 Metre and 4 x 100 Metre Men's relay team that established a new Canadian record.

Curtis dedicated himself and trained hard to qualify for a spot on the Canadian Team at the 2012 Paralympic Games in London, England. Along the way he set

a new Canadian Record of 47.20 in the 400 Metre.

At the 2012 Canadian Championships held in Calgary, Alberta, Curtis became the Canadian Champion in the T54 Class in the 100 Metre, 200 Metre and 400 Metre event by placing 1st in each of these events.

At the London Paralympic Games, he finished 6th in the 100 Metre, 9th 400 Metre, 2nd in 4 x 400 Metre relay heat.

Finishing off the 2012 Year, Curtis's International Paralympic Committee (IPC) World Ranking is; 3rd in the 400 Metre, 5th in the 200 Metre and 8th in the 100 Metre.

## RECORDS

**Canadian Record T54 400 Metre**

**Canadian Record T53/T54 in the 4 x 100 Relay**

**Canadian Record T53/T54 in the 4 x 400 Relay**

**Regional Record T54 100 Metre**

(Fastest time established by an athlete from the "Americas" at a Paralympic Games)



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