



2002: Morgan Makes History with Sixth Consecutive Medal

Each week we are exploring some of the best Home Nation Commonwealth performances from the modern era and today we are focusing on Manchester 2002 where Wales's David Morgan made history by becoming the first man to win medals at six consecutive Commonwealth Games.



Morgan, aged 37 at the time, won Silver in the Snatch and Gold in the Clean & Jerk to clinch Gold overall in the Men's 79kg competition to add to the seven Golds and two Silvers he won competing at previous Games.

He initially finished second overall on the day but was promoted to top spot after a doping disqualification came to light the week following the competition.

Speaking after the event, but before the revised result became known Morgan said: "I'm very proud because I've always wanted to do something unique, even though it has taken me twenty years to do it,"



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“I came here hoping to get a medal in the Snatch and after that I relaxed because anything else was a bonus”.

Morgan, who resided in Cambridge, was 17 when he won Gold in the Men’s up to 67.5kg category at the 1982 Commonwealth Games in Brisbane, Australia. He has now won 12 Commonwealth Games medals in all.

In winning medals at six Games, Morgan emulated the feat of Great Britain weightlifter Judy Oakes. She won three Golds, two Silvers and a Bronze at six consecutive Games competing in shotput between 1978 and 1998 when Women’s Weightlifting events were not on the competition programme.

“This might be my last competition, but I could change my mind,” Morgan added.

“I’ve offered to do coaching with the national team, but always been turned down. Perhaps there is method in their madness, and they want me to continue to compete.”