

Liam McGarry



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Club / Gym: Crayford Weights and Loughborough

DOB: 12/11/1996

Category: Men's over 107kg

Hometown: Dartford, Kent

How did you originally get involved in the sport?

I competed at the inter spinal games back in 2018 at stoke Mandeville. The powerlifter from Salisbury spinal unit dropped out on the morning of the event and I was keen to step in, I benched 137.5 kg and won the event on the day, from this I was invited to development camps with GB, and I haven't looked back since.

What do you enjoy most about Para Powerlifting?

I enjoy the competitive edge, being able to consistently get better working within a professional sports environment and travelling the world whilst doing it. Furthermore, a massive thing for me



with Para-Powerlifting is that you can often be stronger and better than your able-bodied equivalents.

What is the best competition you have competed in so far and why?

I think for me the best competition I have competed in is the Fazza world cup in Dubai in 2021. With it being my first international on foreign soil at a world class competition venue against some of the most prestigious lifter in my division were all things that made it the best. In addition, I was able to learn so much about what it takes to be a world-class lifter and the added challenges competing abroad bring both mentally and physically.

What are your long-term sporting goals?

My long-term sporting goals are to be in the medal zones at every major competition that I go to and to achieve my ultimate dream of being a world or Paralympic champion one day.

What is your main motivation?

My main motivation is to prove to people that no matter the hardship you experience in your life as long as you can still control your decisions, achieving greatness is a possibility for everyone and anyone as long as you are willing to work for it.

What music / artists do you like listening to?

I like all sorts of music really but my most played is probably Grime and R&B/Soul.

Fredo, Nines, Tiggs Da Author, Meek Mill and J Cole are probably my most listened to artists.

Which sports teams or athletes do you follow / support outside of Para Powerlifting?

My biggest passion outside of Para-Powerlifting is west ham united. I am season ticket holder and have been for some years now.

I follow prem rugby closely and support Harlequins. I also follow the England national team in both rugby and football.

What are is your TV show / film?

I'm not massively into TV and Films but my choice would be SAS, Dragons Den for TV and Harry Brown or Starred up for films. I'm also quite partial to a bit of reality TV.

What is your favourite food?

Chicken. Grilled, Fired or BBQ – Just give me all the chickens.

What is your favourite animal?

Again not a huge lover of animals but It would be a Dog all day long.



What are your favourite hobbies and interests?

My hobbies are mostly surrounded by sport. Any sport I can get my teeth stuck into really.

If you could describe yourself in three words, what would they be?

Determined. Funny. Passionate.

Career Highlights



Silver Manchester World Cup (2021)



8 Bronze Manchester World Cup (2020)



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