

Christian Stahl

Birthdate: 5/24/83 Hometown: Bethany, Conn. Education: Computer Science, Southern Connecticut State University Discipline: Track Team: US National Team Website: www.christianstahl.us Olympian: 2004

Career Highlights:

2004 Pan American Champion, kilo 2003 Pan-Am Games Qualifier, team sprint - 1st Place 2003 USCF National Track Champion, team sprint 2003 Pan American Games, kilo - 2nd Place 2003 Pan American Games, team sprint - 4th Place



Introduction

Christian competed in his first Olympic Games this past summer as a member of the team sprint squad. The 11time national team member and Olympic Training Center athlete now keeps his focus on the 2008 Games in Beijing.

Personal

Christian graduated from Emity Regional High School in 2001 and is currently enrolled in Southern Connecticut State University seeking a degree in Computer Science.

Favorite Pastimes

Outside of cycling, Christian's interests include computers, video games, cars, bowling, disc golf, and watching football and Sports Center. His favorite food is Krispy Kreme Doughnuts and his favorite music is rock, rap, and techno.

How He Got Here

Christian rode his mountain bike to school with friends, and one day they decided to race. All his friends beat him and so he trained during the winter and came back the next year as the fastest. He switched to road racing, won his first race, and hasn't stopped since. His coach, Mike Fraysse, pointed him in the direction of the track, and after winning a few medals at the USCF Junior National Championships, he focused solely on the track.

Did You Know?

• Stahl is the junior national kilometer time trial record holder with 1:05.252

Latest Performance

<u>2004</u>

Elite National Team Sprint Champion

U23 National Match Sprint Champion

- 3rd Elite National Track Championships, match sprint
- 5th Elite National Track Championships, keirin
- 1st Pan American Championships, kilo
- 4th UCI World Cup, Aguascalientes, Mexico, team sprint
- 8th UCI World Cup, Manchester, Great Britain, team sprint
- 13th UCI World Cup, Moscow, Russia, kilo