



changing**LIVES**:



Joanne Fenn

Athletics; 800m

Jo started running as soon as she could walk! She used to race her twin brother down to the end of the street everyday from nursery school to home and developed a real love for running. At secondary school Jo began to focus on Athletics. She won the English Schools in the 300m hurdles as a junior and ran for England at 17 years old.

Jo spent the next 8 years plagued by injury. During that time she could only dream of representing her country at senior level. By 2000, after 4 operations Jo had put her injuries behind her and ran for England in the 800m. Since then she has been competing in major Championships and was a finalist at Commonwealth Games, semi finalist in the European Championships, semi finalist at the World Championships and Olympic Games as well as the World Indoor Championships in which she won a Bronze medal in 2004. In 2004, Jo ranked 12th in the world for 800m outdoor and 3rd in the world Indoor. Injuries prevented her from competing in the following years but now her aim is to win a medal at the Olympic Games in Beijing 2008.

