

= Jon Pollock =

Jon Pollock (born 11 May 1977) is a British wheelchair basketball player . He was selected to train with the British wheelchair basketball squad in 1992 . Pollock has played at four Paralympic games : the 2000 Summer Paralympics in Sydney , the 2004 Summer Paralympics in Athens , the 2008 Summer Paralympics in Beijing and the 2012 Summer Paralympics in London . He won a bronze medal at the 2004 Paralympics and the 2008 Paralympic Games .

= = Personal life = =

Pollock was born on 11 May 1977 in Liverpool , England with Spina bifida , a developmental congenital disorder caused by the incomplete closing of the embryonic neural tube . He currently lives in Wigan , Greater Manchester in north west England .

= = Wheelchair basketball = =

Pollock is a class 2 @.@ 5 wheelchair basketball player and currently plays for the RGK TCAT Rhinos of Wolverhampton . He has been competing in wheelchair basketball for over twenty years . In his twenty @-@ year career , he has represented Team GB and Paralympics GB four times at various Summer Paralympic Games .

Pollock first competed at the 1997 European Wheelchair Basketball Championship in Madrid , Spain winning silver . Two years later , he played in the 1999 European Championships in Roermond , Netherlands . He ended in fourth place with his team . In 2000 , he was a member of Team GB in the 2000 Summer Paralympic Games , held in Sydney , Australia . Along with his team , they finished in fourth place ; out of the medals . In 2001 ? 02 , he finished in fourth place at the 2001 / 2002 European championships in Amsterdam , Netherlands . In the 2002 World Championships , he won silver , in Kitakyushu , Japan . He participated in the 2003 European Championships , in Sassari , Italy . He won bronze in this event . In the 2004 Summer Paralympics in Athens , Greece , he was in medal position . He finished , along with his team , in the bronze medal position . Two years after the Paralympics , he was at the 2006 World Championships in Amsterdam . He finished in fifth position . The following year , Pollock was at the 2007 European Championships , in Wetzlar , Netherlands . Along with his team , he finished in silver medal position . The following year , he was a member of the squad in the 2008 Summer Paralympic Games in Beijing . Here , he won his second Paralympic bronze . In 2009 he won bronze in the European championships in Adana , southern Turkey . In 2010 , he finished fifth , along with his team , in the World Wheelchair Basketball Championships , held in Birmingham . At the 2012 Summer Paralympics in London , Pollock and the GB team got through to the semi @-@ finals after beating Turkey , but lost against Canada 52 ? 69 , keeping them out of medal position .