= Bermuda at the 2008 Summer Olympics =

Bermuda sent a delegation to compete at the 2008 Summer Olympics in Beijing , China . The games marked Bermuda 's twenty @-@ first Olympic appearance since its debut in 1936 . The 2008 delegation included six athletes : Tyrone Smith and Arantxa King in long jump , Jillian Terceira in individual jumping on horseback , Kiera Aitken and Roy @-@ Allan Burch in swimming (Aitken in backstroke , and Burch in freestyle) , and Flora Duffy in triathlon . Bermuda did not win any medals in the Beijing games .

= = Background = =

Bermuda 's debut in the Olympic Games began with the 1936 Summer Olympics in Berlin , Nazi Germany , when the Bermudian delegation included five athletes , all men . Bermuda had appeared in twenty @-@ one Olympic Games between 1936 and the 2008 Beijing Olympics , excluding the 1980 Summer Olympics . Of those twenty @-@ one games , sixteen of them were Summer Olympics . Bermuda had , prior to Beijing , earned one medal , when Clarence Hill won bronze in the 1976 Summer Olympics . The 2008 Bermudian delegation had fewer people than it usually sent abroad , prompting the president of the Bermudian Olympic Association Austin Woods to complain publicly that the year 's Olympic team lacked access to quality coaches , administrators , and facilities , and with the exception of several athletes , lacked the skill to be competitive .
Bermuda dispatched six athletes in total to the Beijing Olympics . Of the delegation , two of the athletes (Roy @-@ Allen Burch and Tyrone Smith) were men and four of the athletes (Flora Duffy , Kiera Aitken , Arantxa King , and Jill Terceira) were women . King was the youngest Bermudian participant during the 2008 Olympics , at 18 years of age , and Terceira was the oldest , at 37 . No Bermudian athlete advanced to a final round during the 2008 Games .

= = Athletics = =

Two people competed in track and field representing Bermuda : Tyrone Smith and Arantxa King . Smith participated in men 's long jump , while Arantxa King participated in women 's long jump . Neither advanced past the qualifying rounds in Beijing .
Former Missouri S & T student Tyrone " Sticks " Smith earned a spot on Bermuda 's team when he finished in third place at the long jump event that took place during the 2008 Central American and Caribbean Championships in Cali , Columbia . Smith 's appearance at the Beijing Olympics was his first at any of the Olympic games . During the course of the event at the Olympics , Smith was placed in Heat 2 of the August 16 qualifying rounds , set to compete against athletes that included Irving Jahir Saladino Aranda of Panama (who won the gold medal in finals) and Ngonidzashe Makusha of Zimbabwe (who was fourth @-@ place runner @-@ up in finals) . Out of twenty competitors , Smith ranked seventh with a distance of 7 @.@ 91 meters . He was 0 @.@ 1 meters ahead of Fabrice Lapierre of Australia , who placed eighth in the qualifying round , and 0 @.@ 13 meters behind heat leader Makusha . Tyrone Smith was three centimeters short of a distance that would have qualified him for finals , and did not progress .
Stanford first @-@ year student Arantxa King was chosen by the Bermuda Olympic Association on Wednesday , July 23 , 2008 through the use of its IAAF female at @-@ large selection . Her participation in the 2008 Beijing Olympics marked her Olympic debut . During the August 18 Qualifying rounds , King was placed in Heat 2 versus competitors that included Russia 's Tatiana Lebedeva and Nigeria 's Blessing Okhagbare , both of whom received medals in the event finals . King jumped a distance of 6 @.@ 01 meters , 0 @.@ 69 meters behind leading qualifier Lebedeva 's score , placing nineteenth (out of twenty @-@ one) in the event . She placed last in the heat , ahead of two disqualified athletes , and thirty @-@ sixth (out of forty @-@ two) athletes when considering all heats at once . Arantxa King did not progress to the next and final round on August 22 .
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Note ? Ranks given for track events are within the athlete 's heat only