

# Player Profile: Darius Knight

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The face of the Fred Perry Urban Cup, Darius Knight is the explosive three times national under-21 champion who frequently represents England on the ITTF Pro Tour.

Knight's 'underdog' story has led him to become a role model for table tennis and an Ambassador for UK Sport.

**Name:**

Darius Knight

**Date of birth:**

22/02/90

**Club:**

York Gardens and Barrow Table Tennis Club

**Who are you?**

My name is Darius Knight. I'm from south London Battersea and I'm 21 and I love superman, and table tennis ☺

**Proudest moment:**

Representing England for the first time when I was 12 in the under 12 Euro kids camp!

**When/how did you get involved with table tennis:**

I got involved with table tennis when I was 10, I got involved because at the time it was the fashion all of the older boys used to play so me being the little kid I just wanted to do what they do. Plus I was very bad at it and I wanted to improve and be the best among my friends and the older boys

**What does the Olympics mean to you?**

For me its everything, its the start of my career, nothing better than kicking it off in your own back garden. I will be 21 so in table tennis terms that's quite young as the older players play till about 35-50 depending on how fit you are and if you stay injury free. A chance to show people from the UK how table tennis is played as it's considered as a low sport.

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