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McCann, Kerryn

(1967 - 2008)

Born	19670502, Bulli New South Wales Australia
Died	20081208, Wollongong New South Wales Australia
Occupation	Commonwealth or Empire Games Gold Medalist, Track and Field Athlete

Summary

Kerryn McCann won Commonwealth gold medals in the marathon at Melbourne in 2006 and Manchester in 2002. Her win in the 2006 games was extremely exciting with the lead changing six times in the final two kilometres of the race, before McCann pulled clear in the final two hundred metres around the athletics track inside the Melbourne Cricket Ground. McCann described the race as “probably the greatest victory I’ve ever had, or the greatest race I’ve ever run’.

In August 2007, McCann was diagnosed with breast cancer and passed away in December of 2008.

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