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GENERAL INFORMATION:

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I am a professional cyclist riding for Team ProTouch South Africa. I have cycled professionally for South Africa for 2 years and spent most of the 2016 season riding for a French Club. I am a Time-trialist/ Climber still managing to keep up with the best in South African cycling.

SOCIAL MEDIA PROFILES

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NATIONALITY AND VALID PASSPORTS

South African

LANGUAGES

English, Afrikaans and French

MY HOBBIES

I am a Big BMW Fanatic. In my spare time I restore my classic BMW. My latest project that I am working on is a 1984 BMW e23 735i

GOALS AND AMBITIONS

My dream is to become a pro cyclist and to one day win a stage in a Grand Tour.

CYCLING ACHIEVEMENTS AND NOTABLE RESULTS:

2018

- TOUR OF GOOD HOPE – Part of 2nd Overall Team (1st SA Team)
- TOUR DE LIMPOPO – Selected as part of 6-man team, to participate in UCI Category 2.2 Event (April 2018)
- EMPERORS – 1-DAY CLASSIC - Part of the Team that took 1st Place
- BERGE EN DALE – 1-DAY CLASSIC – Part of the Team that took 1st Place and 2nd U23
- CAPE TOWN CYCLE TOUR – Part of the Team that took 3rd Place (Elite/U23) and 1st Place (Junior)
- RIDE FOR SIGHT – 1-DAY CLASSIC – Part of the Team that took 1st Place (Elite/U23)
- TOUR OF GOOD HOPE – Part of 2nd Overall Team with our GC rider (Elite/U23) coming in in 3rd Place (1st SA Team behind Dimension Data)
- TOUR OF MPUMALANAGA – Part of 2nd overall Team with our GC Rider (Elite/U23) in 2nd Place
- WILRO LIONS CLASSIC - Part of Team that took 1st and 2nd Place
- TOUR DE LIMPOPO – UCI 2.2 – King of the Mountain Jersey – all 4 stages, Most Aggressive Rider (Stage 1), Part of the Team that got 1st and 2nd Place on GC, Best Overall Team and winners of Team Time Trial
- TOUR DURBAN – Part of team that took 1st Place and Best Young Rider
- 100 CYCLE CHALLENGE – Part of Team that took 2nd Place (Elite/U23)
- KNYSNA CYCLE TOUR – 5th Place
- JOCK CLASSIC – 3rd Place Stage 1, 5th Place Stage 2, 6th Place Stage 3, 4th Place Overall (Elite)
- TOUR DU RWANDA – 3rd Place, 3rd Place GC & 2nd Place Team Stage 1, 9th Place Stage 6

2017

- JOCK TOUR – 1st Place (Stage 3), Best Overall Team, 2nd KOM & 3rd in points Competition

2011 – 2016

- JUNIOR SA TT CHAMPION
- JUNIOR ROAD RACE – 2nd Place
- JUNIOR TOUR - Overall winner
- YOUTH COMMON WEALTH GAMES - Represented South Africa

ABOUT ME:

I started cycling by riding to school, when I was in Primary school. My uncle did some of the Road races and said I should join. I started training for these races. Back then I rode with the Cyclelab Club. On one ride coming back into Broadacres, the Cyclelab Youth Academy came past the group and I jumped on. I gave them a bit of a hard time. The following day I was invited to go on a cycling training camp with the Youth Academy. Everything started from there.

I joined the Youth Academy Team and we were very successful especially because we had Louis Mentjies and Bradley Mitchel on the team.

As a first year Junior we went to Europe and raced several National Cups. As a Second year Junior I was part of the first A[S]G cycling Team with the late, Adam Reyneke.

As a Junior rider I was very successful. I won the SA TT and came 2nd in the road race. That year we won 95% of the races on the calendar.

Thereafter, as an U23 rider I went to Spain to race with Caja Rural, a Spanish Team. I was thrown into the deep but it enabled me to see what I had to do in order to make it in Europe.

In 2013, I was proudly selected to ride the Mzansi Tour race on behalf of the South Africa National Team with Robbie Hunter. This was a great experience as he won the Tour that year and it was fantastic to be a part of it. In the middle of 2013 I signed with Bonitas Pro-Cycling.

During 2014 and 2015, I signed with Europcar Pro Cycling. I went for a 3 month stint to a French club that I spoke to over emails and took the bold move to further develop myself with a new pursuit in France. I spent most of the year in France. I put everything on the line which proved to be challenging, however I used this to motivate me in pursuing my passion in cycling.

I am still very determined to race at an international level again!