

Paralympics Key Benefits 2026

1. Overview:

Paralympics Australia is partnering with the Barwon Sports Academy to support talented athletes from regional areas to provide them access to services and support.

2. BSA Education Program:

- Athlete education sessions which have a focus on nutrition, injury prevention, strength & conditioning, recovery, sports psychology, goal setting, and athlete trademarks.
 - Elective education sessions which include being a cultural ally (Brett Goodes), the female athlete, driver safety (TAC), and anti-doping education session etc.
 - Sport specific education sessions included in coaching days. Aimed to better prepare our athletes physically and mentally.
 - Group Q&A session with Alumni and elite athletes from multiple sports.
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3. Strength & Conditioning:

- 15-20+ sessions for each sport program (number of sessions dependent upon athlete numbers).
 - S&C sessions to have as much sport specific focus as possible to transfer your training over to your sport.
 - Coach, venue, and time of the sessions to be established based on sports schedules and timing of seasons/events.
 - Access to Strength & Conditioning home program via Lumin App. This is an exercise prescription software which is used during S&C sessions and allows athletes to complete exercises at home.
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4. Member Benefits & Access to Services:

- BSA uniform items for all athletes (Polo and training top for 1st year athletes)

- Gym vouchers (10 visits) for Leisure link provided for calendar year. (All 16 year athletes)
 - Musculoskeletal screens for 1st year athletes at Corio Bay Health Group (Gap covered if you have private health insurance, \$30 for non-private health insurance).
 - Discounted physiotherapy services at Corio Bay Health group (20% discount)
 - Discounted medical scans at lake imaging radiology.
 - Over each year there will be certain opportunities and offers which will be made available to BSA members due to existing and new partnerships the BSA has.
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5. Benefits available to members who are supported by Paralympics Australia:

- Each athlete will be provided a financial funding amount by Paralympics Australia which the BSA will work with each athlete to best support them and their sporting pursuits.
 - There may be further opportunities and benefits that Paralympics Australia will look to provide to athletes
 - The BSA will look to where possible source additional coaching opportunities for any members who are part of a non-partner sport
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