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Scholarships open for Athletes with a Disability

Athletes with a disability can apply for High Performance Athlete scholarships, State Member for Tamworth Peter Draper announced today. Mr Draper is urging all up and coming athletes with a disability in Tamworth to apply for these scholarships.

"I would encourage all athletes with a disability to apply for these High Performance Scholarships.

"These scholarships have been awarded to some very high profile athletes in the past and the next Paralympian could well come from Tamworth."

Past recipients of High Performance Scholarships include Michael Milton (skiing), Louise Sauvage (track and road racing), David Hall (tennis) and Siobhan Paton (swimming).

The NSW Department of Tourism, Sport and Recreation administer the scholarship through the Sydney Academy of Sport and Recreation at Narrabeen.

"Athletes receive a range of benefits from winning one of these scholarships," Mr Draper said.

"Being able to access sports science testing and athlete assessment, sports medicine support, career and education counselling nutrition advice, sports psychology and uniforms can make a huge difference to an athlete," said Mr Draper.

Applications for the High Performance Athlete Scholarships close on Friday 28 November 2003.

Application forms are available by contacting Lynn Phillips at the Sydney Academy of Sport and Recreation on (02) 9454 0109.

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