

# WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE WORLD OF BOCCIA?



## Daniel Michel Makes Boccia Dream Reality



Australian Boccia returns to the Paralympic games with the confirmation of BC3 Athlete, Daniel Michel qualifying for this year's Paralympics in Rio.

Daniel, born with Spinal Muscular Atrophy type two and becomes the first Australian athlete since 1996 to qualify for the Paralympics. He is the first athlete to compete in boccia for Australia since Sydney 2000. His meticulous work ethic saw Dan finish 5th overall at this year's World Championships in Beijing and qualify for the 2016 Rio Paralympics.

Dan says, "It means everything to me. Representing Australia at the pinnacle of sport has been my life long ambition and to have achieved it by qualifying for Rio means I have achieved a monumental goal."

**The Rio Paralympics will be held from 7 to 18 September**

## Boccia Junior National Titles

4 - 6 November, 2016



**The 2016 Junior National Boccia Titles will be held at the Sydney Academy of Sport, Narrabeen.**

This 3 day event is open for anyone to attend! It's a great way to meet new friends, learn new skills and participate in a great weekend of boccia and sport. Focused on developing the skills of Junior athletes, this is a great event to be part of.

For more details on this and all things Boccia contact [admin@](mailto:admin@boccia.com.au)

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## Want to Play Boccia?

There are a number of local clubs running throughout NSW that you can join now!

Contact the following people to find out more information including venues and meeting times.

**Central Coast** - [hkhkzak@hotmail.com](mailto:hkhkzak@hotmail.com)  
**Central West (Orange)** - [alandtrin@gmail.com](mailto:alandtrin@gmail.com)  
**Hunter** - [hunterboccia@bigpond.com](mailto:hunterboccia@bigpond.com)  
**Illawarra** - [pthoward@bigpond.com](mailto:pthoward@bigpond.com)  
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**South West Sydney** - [pat.vaz16@gmail.com](mailto:pat.vaz16@gmail.com)  
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