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## GAMES SNAPSHOT

Wheelchair Sports Victoria is proud to be the appointed host of the inaugural Australian Paralympic Youth Games, which will be held in Melbourne in October 2009.

The Games will be conducted in partnership with the Australian Paralympic Committee and aim to provide youth athletes from around Australia and the world with the opportunity to compete in and experience a “world class” sporting event that will deliver new standards in youth sport competition, accommodation and events services in what will be the first event of its kind in the Asia-Oceania region.

<b>Games Dates:</b>	Monday 5 – Sunday 11 October 2009
<b>Games Sports:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Athletics</li> <li>• Wheelchair Basketball</li> <li>• 7 a-side Football (<i>Cerebral Palsy</i>)</li> <li>• Handcycling</li> <li>• Swimming</li> <li>• Table Tennis</li> <li>• Wheelchair Tennis</li> </ul>
<b>Youth Age:</b>	The Games are open to athletes aged 20 years of age or younger as at 31 December 2009.
<b>Games Location:</b>	Melbourne, Victoria AUSTRALIA
<b>Games Venues:</b>	The Games will use some of Melbourne’s premier sporting facilities including the Melbourne Sports & Aquatic Centre.

## PARTICIPATE IN THE GAMES

The following disability sport organisations are coordinating the entry of athletes from each State or Territory, bringing together athletes from a wide range of disability groups to unite and compete under their respective State name and flag:

STATE or TERRITORY	COORDINATING ORGANISATION	CONTACT DETAILS
New South Wales & ACT	Wheelchair Sports NSW Contact: Jennifer Scattene	Ph: (02) 9809 5260 Web: <a href="http://wsnsw.org.au">wsnsw.org.au</a>
Northern Territory	Disabled Sports Association NT Contact: Jan Pallazzi	Ph: (08) 8942 2637 Web:
Queensland	Sporting Wheelies & The Disabled Contact: Amy Sherwin	Ph: (07) 3253 3333 Web: <a href="http://sportingwheelies.org.au">sportingwheelies.org.au</a>
South Australia	Wheelchair Sports SA Contact: Jay Dohnt	Ph: (08) 8349 6366 Web: <a href="http://wheelchairsports-sa.org.au">wheelchairsports-sa.org.au</a>
Tasmania	Para Quad Tasmania Contact: Kevin Faulkner	Ph: (03) 6272 7513 Web: <a href="http://paraquadtas.org.au">paraquadtas.org.au</a>
Victoria	Wheelchair Sports Victoria Contact: Joseph Rotella	Ph: (03) 9473 0133 Web: <a href="http://wsv.org.au">wsv.org.au</a>
Western Australia	Wheelchair Sports WA Contact: Gary Lees	Ph: (08) 9440 4245 Web: <a href="http://wheelchairsportswa.org.au">wheelchairsportswa.org.au</a>

Interested athletes from around Australia should first register their interest to participate with the above State Team Coordinators.

## MORE INFORMATION

For more information, please contact the Team at the 2009 Australian Paralympic Youth Games on (03) 9473 0133 or international dial +61 3 9473 0133, or alternatively via email at [gwarnecke@wsv.org.au](mailto:gwarnecke@wsv.org.au).