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Bronzed Territorian

Territorian Melanie Hall has grabbed a medal at her first Paralympics with the women's wheelchair basketball team winning its bronze medal match.

"I congratulate Melanie and her team mates on their wonderful performance at the Beijing Paralympics", said Minister for Sport and Recreation Karl Hampton.

The Australian women's wheelchair basketball team known as the Gliders defeated Japan 53-47 to take the bronze medal at the Beijing Paralympics yesterday.

"I, along with all Territorians, am extremely proud of Melanie's efforts in winning this bronze medal," said Mr Hampton.

Darwin born Melanie has been an Elite Scholarship holder with the NT Institute of Sport (NTIS) since 2005. Melanie scored 2 points in each game against Great Britain, Brazil and Germany during the preliminary matches in Beijing.

Selected in 2005 to the Gliders, this was Melanie's 5th time representing Australia.

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