

Scholarships for surfers

SURFERS from Margaret River are among the inaugural recipients of the South West Academy of Sport's individual scholarship program.

Matthew Baddock, Laura Macaulay and Creed McTaggart are three of 10 athletes awarded scholarships to help them achieve their sporting goals.

South West Academy of Sport chief executive Bernice Butlion said the scholarships were made available to young South West athletes who excelled in sport but whose code was not covered by the academy's partner sports of Australian Rules football, soccer, basketball and hockey.

"The scholarship program will help

participants attain success in sport and life by providing a high level of support, including access to athlete services such as sports medicine and career development," she said.

"Athletes will have the opportunity to achieve optimal sporting performance and achieve their goals of competing at elite levels of competition."

Ms Butlion congratulated the scholarship recipients for their selection.

"The scholarship holders have already found success in their chosen sport with many having represented Australia or their State in competition," he said.