

Paralympic spot for Edinburgh boccia ace Patrick

Edinburgh's Patrick Wilson is looking forward to his second Paralympic Games after being added to the GB Boccia squad along with Lanarkshire's Stephen Maguire.

The pair earned their spots through bipartite applications to World Boccia which studied world rankings, outstanding results in major events and recent results.

It will be McGuire's fourth Paralympic Games, having made his debut at London 2012 and since competing in Rio and Tokyo.

Patrick also competed at Rio 2016 where he helped the BC3 Pair finish sixth. He, like Stephen Maguire, has enjoyed good form in 2024, winning a bronze medal at the Sao Paulo World Cup and gold at the Lahti Challenger.

"I'm extremely happy and relieved to be given a bipartite place for Paris 2024" said Patrick, adding: "I feel I deserved it given what I've achieved this year and also because I really feel I can go and do something special. And everything in the next six weeks will be geared towards being ready and prepared."

It's been a rollercoaster couple of years for Maguire, who, in 2022, broke his knee and femur and underwent major surgery

Greg Baker, Performance Director of Boccia UK, said:

"I'm thrilled for Steph and Paddy. They thoroughly deserve

these spots, having demonstrated at recent World Cup events that they can achieve medals. We're really grateful to World Boccia and now look forward to our continued preparations for Paris with a seven-strong ParalympicsGB boccia squad."



Patrick Wilson, from Edinburgh, is Paris bound as part of the

GB Paralympic boccia squad