

# AYC TENNIS ASSOCIATION

## Club Survey

For the last few seasons the Association has been using both long and short rosters and multiple playing formats in an attempt to better meet the needs of our players. The use of multiple roster lengths causes some complexity when forming the roster and the combination with multiple formats has seen some difficulty in meeting everyone's needs.

Given what we have learned from the last few seasons I believe that we may be better placed to make a decision on how the pennant can best move forward.

We would appreciate it if you could spend a few minutes to provide us with your Club's preferences or view of what this might be for the Association.

### Q 1 – The Roster, would you prefer to

Retain a mix of long and short rosters	
Return to only long rosters	1 <sup>st</sup>
Move to only short rosters	
Why is your preference better for your Club and for the pennant: with out preset parameters of tabulation, multi-level answers are always biased to the desired result. Harvard Business school statistical Analasys of survey model protocols showed this and published the results. (May not be the exact name of the study, I recall it to be accurate) Short roster has already been proved that it can create a once a fortnight play. Possibility of meeting a team in finals that you have never played. (Proven previous AYC test previous years) There are no other sports (worldwide) that have less than Thirteen week rosters plus finals. I wonder why that is possibly because it has been found fundamentally floored over a whole competition.	

### Q 2 – The Format, would you prefer to play

The traditional format of even numbers of men and ladies	1 <sup>d</sup>
The non-gender format used for the X Divisions	
A non-club based format as used in Division 1	
Why is your preference better for your Club and for the pennant: As per previous. Inclusiveness and range of different playing styles. Encompasses a greater variety of skills and styles while also allowing a team approach that does not rely on gender strength.	

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### Q 3 – The Home / Away Nights

Many people consider the range of nights that a roster covers is a deterrent. There have been a number of suggestions as to how this could be improved, most are to the detriment of getting similar teams or players competing against each other.

How important is it to your Club to have a single night for your roster	
How would you like to see single night, or reduced night rosters, implemented: Question does not supply options to quantify an accurate answer. Options of day arrangement also create there own problems and needs a deeper analysis	

### Q4 – Generally

What are the best things for your Club about having teams in the AYC Roster: Playing in a competition gives a challenge within a social network. Friendship in our opposition as well as a balance game system
What are the least appealing aspects for your Club about the AYC Roster: The way a minority keep pushing an agenda for a change which has repeatedly been rejected.
Are there any other changes, or additions to the pennant, that could make it better for your Club, or more relevant to the tennis your members wish to play: The ability to reschedule rained out game by consensus of the captains.
Are there any other comments your Club would like to make: Yet to be discussed

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