

COACHING EXCELLENCE – CLUB

SELECTION CRITERIA

The Award Period for the 2026 Tennis ACT Awards is 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible for consideration, the nominee must:

- Be a current Tennis Australia Business coach member
- Delivering Tennis Hot Shots and Cardio Tennis

SELECTION CRITERIA

The selection panel will consider the following in assessing and comparing nominations:

- Overview of coaching program provided (including Tennis Hot Shots, Cardio Tennis, Inclusive programs i.e. Women & Girls and Adult coaching program, if applicable)
- Roles and responsibilities at Club/Centre
- Contribution to Club/Community including involvement in events and activities which drive greater participation and membership
- Total number of registered coaching participants in award period (broken into categories of program type, by age and gender)
- Overview of the transition pathway for coaching participants to social and competitive play (e.g. Tennis Hot Shots Match Play, Leagues and Tournaments) including specific metrics/outcomes (e.g. conversion rates, participation numbers)
- Schools link to the Schools Partnership Program and overview of transition pathway from schools to club, coaching programs and play activities:
 - Demonstrated success (e.g. Sporting Schools feedback)
 - Demonstrated offers and methods including insights with respect to successful techniques for pathway success
- Qualifications of coaching team and ongoing professional development opportunities provided
 - Demonstration that all coaching team are TA coach members
 - On boarding process for new team members in addition to yearly training on key policies and procedures (e.g., Safeguarding, social media)
 - Regular within business team development
 - Clear and articulated pathway/support for the development of assistant coaches from within coaching business including specific case studies
 - Support for professional team to access coaching courses and qualifications

- Coaching business websites, marketing and communication materials
 - Demonstration of customer focused materials (e.g., infographics) and processes (e.g., online registration) to ensure growth in participation
- Overview of programs and initiatives delivered to engage underrepresented groups in tennis (ie. people with a disability, multicultural communities, Indigenous Australians, people who identify as LGBTI, low socio-economic communities)

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

The selection panel will consider the following in assessing and comparing nominations:

- Please supply a minimum of three high-resolution photos to support the nomination, including if possible, a head shot and an on-court photo of the nominee.

SELECTION PROCESS

- All decisions in relation to the Coaching Excellence – Club award (including any questions in relation to eligibility) will be determined by the selection panel in its absolute discretion. All decisions are final, and no correspondence will be entered into.
- The winners of the State Award for Coaching Excellence - Club (or equivalent) will become the nominee for the National Award for Coaching Excellence – Club