



## INSPIRING THE NEXT GENERATION

Marisa Gianotti first learnt to play tennis hitting with her brother on a neighbors backyard court. Showing promise, the self taught and self confessed 'late bloomer' was selected to join the Tennis West National Academy at age 15.

Competing in multiple representative teams, Marisa went on to play on the professional circuit. Returning to her roots, Marisa retried from the circuit to follow her passion of inspiring the next generation of high performance athletes.

Awarded a Women's Coaching
Scholarship in 2016, followed by the
2019 President's Women in Tennis
Scholarship, Marisa capitalised on
both opportunities by completing
the Club Professional Coaching
Course as well as attending the Next
Gen High Performance Coaching
program - an invitation only program.

With the scholarships backed by Tennis Australia's President and Chair, Jayne Hrdlicka, Marisa says it's an exciting time to be involved in tennis.

"Increasing the volume of quality female coaches on the ground at a grassroots level is imperative to supporting aspiring athletes continue their own tennis journey,"

"The scholarships are a real game changer,"

"Being exposed to, and learning what a high performance coaching environment looks and feels like, and seeing how it operates is an amazing opportunity,"

"Being able to apply and adopt these same high performance coaching philosophies on the ground here in WA will be such an advantage for our elite athletes and I can't wait to see the impact of the Next Gen coaching workshop on our players coming through the ranks."

"I love the sport,
I love working with kids
and I'm passionate about
helping them become the
best players they can be"