

## COACHING EXCELLENCE – TALENT DEVELOPMENT

The Talent Development Coach is instrumental in developing successful high performance tennis players. The recipient of this award is delivering a quality, comprehensive, holistic coaching program that focuses on the technical, tactical, physical and psychological development of talented athletes; primarily 12 years and under. In addition the coach will currently be coaching junior players who have achieved outstanding results, travels to tournaments with his/her players and be engaged in Project Talent initiatives.

### **Eligibility Criteria:**

To be eligible for consideration, the nominee must:

- be delivering a quality, holistic coaching program which focuses on the technical, tactical, physical and psychological development of high performance junior athletes – primarily 14 years and under;
- be currently coaching junior athletes who have achieved outstanding results during the award period (i.e. State, National or International level athletes);
- travel to tournaments with his/her high performance junior athletes; and,
- engage in Project Talent and be involved as a Talent Development Coach

**\*\*Only Tennis Australia Talent Development Coaches will be considered.**

Nominees may self-nominate or be nominated by another person (note: if you self-nominate you will require a seconder to support your nomination).

All entries must provide the following media to support their submission:

- Three (3) high-resolution photos (in RAW format or TIFF/JPEG in highest file size possible)

### **Selection Criteria**

The selection panel will consider the following in assessing nominations:

*Note: information regarding the athlete's and coach's program will remain confidential and will only be seen by the selection panel.*

1. Talent Development program provided by the coach including but not limited to:
  - athlete development philosophy;
  - plan and pathway for athletes entering ANZ Tennis Hot Shots through to 12s/14s Nationals (i.e. Athlete Development Pathway);
  - tennis-specific education provided to athletes and parents; and
  - description of high performance environment created by coach which fosters athlete learning, performance and independence.
2. Development of athletes as evidenced by participation in State, National and International level events including but not limited to results, rankings and ranking improvement.

3. Quality and quantity of athletes participating in Project Talent programs during the award period
4. Submission of one athlete's program including but not limited to:
  - athlete profile (including athlete's goals, coaching priorities, competencies and deficiencies as per the Tennis Australia Athlete Development Matrix)
  - athlete annual plan and tournament schedule for the past 12 months;
  - letter of support from athlete;
  - letter of support from parent (including confirmation and length of coaching relationship)
5. Attendance at junior state and national tournaments
6. Involvement in Project Talent which may include:
  - attendance at Project Talent camps;
  - participation in Super 10s and bridging programs; and,
  - attendance at Talent Development Coaches professional development workshops.

All entries must be able to accommodate a site visit if requested by selection panel.

## Selection Process

Only information provided by the nominee with their nomination form will be considered by the selection panel. Nominees should attach any relevant additional information with their nomination form.

All decisions in relation to the Coaching Excellence –Talent Development 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.

## Timeline

- Nominations open – Friday 26 August 2016
- Nominations close – Friday 30 September 2016
- Nominations are valid for the 2015/16 tennis season
- The WA Tennis Industry Awards Night will be held on Friday 28 October 2016
- Winners of their respective categories at the WA Tennis Industry Awards will be nominated for the Newcombe Medal – 28 October 2016
- Newcombe Medal – Monday 28 November 2016

## Requirements of Award Recipients

Successful recipients will be required to fulfil the following:

- Prepare an article for the Tennis West website and a section in the Australian Tennis Magazine. Tennis West will provide editorial assistance.
- Participate in marketing and promotional activities in the 12 months following the award
- If required, present a session during the 2017 Australian Grand Slam®Coaches' Conference.

# Award Nomination Criteria



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## ***Return Nomination to:***

Tennis West

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**Nominations due by 12pm, Friday 30 September 2016.**

**\*Please include Tennis West Award Nomination Cover Sheet with Nominator & Seconder details**

(Please note: If email nominations are sent with large size attachments, please send a separate email advising that the nomination has been sent. Tennis West can then contact you if the email is not received)