



## ***Newcombe Medal, Australian Tennis Awards selection criteria and process Most Outstanding Tennis Club***

### ***Eligibility criteria***

To be eligible for consideration, nominees must demonstrate that the tennis club:

- is affiliated with a Member Association
- has an inviting culture, accessibility and the ability to attract players/members
- employs/engages qualified Tennis Australia coach members
- has completed Club Health Check (CERM) data collection
- has implemented Tennis Australia participation programs and competitions providing a range of opportunities to the whole community
- promotes social integration and inclusion.

### ***Nomination process***

- Winners of the state award for Most Outstanding Tennis Club (or equivalent) will become the nominees for the national award for Most Outstanding Tennis Club
- For states that do not have an awards night, candidates from that state are eligible for a wildcard nomination for the Most Outstanding Tennis Club award.
- If you have been unable to nominate for your state/territory award ahead of the deadline please contact Tennis Australia regarding your eligibility for a wildcard nomination – 1800 PLAY TENNIS or [play@tennis.com.au](mailto:play@tennis.com.au).

### ***Selection criteria***

The selection panel will give consideration to the following in assessing and comparing nominations:

- the direct customer feedback the club has received via independent responses from customers and members. Responses may be sought via a customer phone survey and mystery shopper visits
- the results of the Club Health Check compared to national medians for clubs in the same group
- demonstration of membership retention/growth via Member Association registration
- the level of club accessibility to the community
- the financial sustainability of the club
- the range and quality of programs delivered including pathways for junior tennis players, Fitbit Cardio Tennis, Community Play and ANZ Tennis Hot Shots tournaments and competitions
- the level of promotion of the club and welcoming community invitations to participate i.e. hosting a Free Tennis Day open to the whole community.

All entries must supply a minimum of three high-resolution photos and/or video footage supporting their nomination.

### ***Selection process***

The selection panel will be made up of the following:

- Manager Club and Community
- National Programs Manager
- Manager Places to Play



- Member Association representative.

All decisions in relation to the Most Outstanding Tennis 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.

Any matters that arise and are not covered in this document will be determined by the selection panel in consultation with Tennis Australia Management.

### **Timeline**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Notes</b>
28 October 2016	ALL nominations due to TA (including wildcard nominations)	The award period is as per the MA award period OR 30 September 2015 – 31 August 2016: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. National award nominees will be the winners of the <u>2016</u> state/territory award and eligible wildcard nominees</li><li>2. Wildcard nominations will be accepted direct to TA from eligible candidates, all wildcard nominations must be received by 28 October 2016.</li></ol>
4 - 7 November 2016	Finalists announced	All nominees will be contacted during this period and will be notified of their status.
28 November 2016	Newcombe Medal Awards Night	

### **Requirements of award recipient**

The successful recipient will be required to fulfil the following upon reasonable request:

- participate in marketing and promotional activities in the 12 months following the award
- prepare an article for *Australian Tennis Magazine*. Tennis Australia will provide editorial assistance.