

# tennis CONNECT

Coach Connect aims to engage, educate and connect women coaches across the country through mentoring and professional development opportunities.



# What we do

The objectives of Coach Connect are:

• To strengthen career pathways and opportunities for women coaches

- To create sustainable networks to influence and advance women
- To build the knowledge, skills and confidence of women coaches
- To retain women coaches.

# Who can join

• Tennis Australia women coach members

## **Program overview**

### **Coach Connect Workshops**

These face-to-face workshops take a deep dive into a specific area of coaching. Practical, engaging and social, our workshops are specifically tailored to the needs of women coaches.

#### **Coach Connect Networking**

Coach Connect Networking events provide an opportunity for women coaches to come together to connect and network. Guest speakers or specific topics are discussed during these events.

## Coach Connect Mentoring

The Coach Connect Mentoring program was launched in May 2021 on the digital platform Mentorloop. The objective of the program is to develop and retain current woman coaches by enabling a social environment for women coaches to come together, meet likeminded professionals and share their experiences and challenges with one another. Over 100 coaches have signed up to the program.

## **Coach Connect Virtual Series**

The Connect Virtual Series is a series of online professional development opportunities available exclusively to women coaches to connect, learn and feel supported. Each session is recorded and available on Bounce for coaches unable to attend.

## Topics covered to date include:

- Leveraging your character strengths
- Stretching your comfort zone
- Developing Your Personal Brand
- Coaching conversations with key

### stakeholders





- Growth in confidence and competence
- Women see themselves as leaders
- Increased awareness of career pathways
- Coaching and mentoring from existing leading coaches

#### Sport

- Increase in number of women coaches
- Women coaches have an equal voice and influence in Community Clubs
- Increase in % of women coaches
- More women role models in coaching. **Social**
- Welcoming, safe and inclusive clubs
- Reduced barriers for women and girls on and off the court
- Increased engagement & participation in tennis
- Enhanced friendships, social and career network
- More women role models can drive improved respect for women and girls from men and boys
- Gender equality









# Networking



## Mentoring



## **Virtual Series**



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