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A new nomination process for the Newcombe Medal, Australian Tennis Awards has been introduced.

From 2016 onwards, nominations will not be accepted directly for these awards – instead, nominees must enter the running for their relevant Member Association awards and the winners of each state and territory award category will become finalists for the Newcombe Medal, Australian Tennis Awards.

This process is designed to encourage the top candidates in each state and territory to put themselves forward for their Member Association awards, and will ensure representatives from across the national tennis community are recognised as Newcombe Medal award winners.

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.

To be eligible for the 2016 Newcombe Medal, Australian Tennis Awards we encourage all members of the tennis community to nominate for their local state or territory awards. Please visit your Member Association website to find out how to nominate yourself or someone you know in 2016.

The 2016 Newcombe Medal, Australian Tennis Awards will be held in Melbourne on Monday 28 November.

Wildcard eligibility criteria

- in the exceptional circumstances you have been unable to nominate for your state/territory award ahead of the deadline (exceptional circumstances include illness, extensive travel)
- if your state/territory does not have an awards night (eg. NSW)
- if there is no equivalent category for you to enter in your state/territory awards
- if your state/territory awards occurred prior to the release of the revised nomination process.

Wildcard eligibility process:

- if you believe you are eligible for a wildcard nomination, please contact Tennis Australia on 1800 PLAY TENNIS or play@tennis.com.au regarding your eligibility
- once eligibility is confirmed, the candidate must submit their nomination addressing all key criteria to play@tennis.com.au (award criteria can be found on the [Newcombe Medal website](#))
- wildcard nominations will only be available in 2016.



2016 Newcombe Medal, Australian Tennis Awards – FAQs

Why has the nomination process changed?

- The nomination process has been revised to encourage the top candidates in each state and territory to put themselves forward for their Member Association awards, and will ensure representatives from across the national tennis community are recognised as Newcombe Medal, Australian Tennis Award winners.

What if my state/territory does not have an awards night/process, can I still be nominated?

- Yes! You can nominate directly for your particular category of the Newcombe Medal, Australian Tennis Award by contacting 1800 PLAY TENNIS or play@tennis.com.au to receive a nomination form.
- This application must address the [criteria for the award](#) and must be sent to play@tennis.com.au no later than 28 October 2016.

What if my state/territory doesn't have a particular award? Can I nominate directly?

- If your state/territory does not have an award category that is represented at the Newcombe Medal, Australian Tennis Awards you are eligible to submit an application for the relevant award as a wildcard. Please contact 1800 PLAY TENNIS or play@tennis.com.au to receive a nomination form
- This application must address the [criteria for the award](#) and must be sent to play@tennis.com.au no later than 28 October 2016.

What if my state/territory awards period finishes earlier than 31 August and I want to add something to my application that falls prior to this date, but after my state/territory's cut-off date?

- If you have won your state/territory award and become a nominee for the Newcombe Medal, Australian Tennis Awards and would like to add something to your application that you have achieved after your state/territory awards ceremony, please contact 1800 PLAY TENNIS or send your relevant updates to play@tennis.com.au no later than 28 October 2016. These updates will be added to your application and considered by the selection panel.

I wasn't aware of the revised process, so I didn't nominate for my state/territory award this year. Can I still nominate?

- If you did not nominate for your state/territory awards this year because you were unaware of the revised process, you are eligible to submit an application for the relevant award as a wildcard. Please contact 1800 PLAY TENNIS or play@tennis.com.au to receive the nomination form
- This application must address the [criteria for the award](#) and must be sent to play@tennis.com.au no later than 28 October 2016.

I was away or unwell when my state/territory award nominations were due. Can I still nominate?

- If you did not nominate for your state/territory award this year because you were unaware of the revised process, you are eligible to submit an application for the relevant award as a wildcard. Please contact 1800 PLAY TENNIS or play@tennis.com.au to receive the nomination form.
- This application must address the [criteria for the award](#) and must be sent to play@tennis.com.au no later than 28 October 2016.

Can I nominate someone else for an award?

- You may submit someone else for their relevant state/territory award only.



When will I know if I have become a finalist?

- Finalists will be advised between 4 - 7 November 2016

What are the award categories for the Newcombe Medal, Australian Tennis Awards?

- A list of the awards can be found [here](#).

Where can I find the criteria?

- Criteria for all awards can be found on the Newcombe Medal, Australian Tennis Awards [web page](#).

When and where is the Newcombe Medal awards night?

- The Newcombe Medal, Australian Tennis Awards will be held on Monday 28 November 2016 at the Palladium Ballroom at Melbourne’s Crown Entertainment Complex.

Where can I stay if I am attending the awards?

- Tennis Australia is pleased to offer guests attending the Newcombe Medal, Australian Tennis Awards special accommodation rates at Crown Towers, Crown Promenade and Crown Metropol hotels. Online booking requests can be made via accommodation.tennis.com.au from Monday 3 October 2016 to Sunday 13 November 2016. Rooms will be available subject to availability from Monday 14 November 2016 onwards.

2016 Award Program	
Coaching Excellence – Club	
Coaching Excellence – Talent Development	
Female Junior Athlete of the Year	
Male Junior Athlete of the Year	
Most Outstanding 35+ Tennis Senior	
Most Outstanding Athlete with a Disability	
Most Outstanding Tennis Club	
Most Outstanding Australian Ranking Tournament	
Most Outstanding School	
Volunteer Achievement Award	
Coaching Excellence – High Performance	Closed Award – No direct nominations
Excellence in Officiating	Closed Award – No direct nominations
Most Outstanding Professional Tournament	Closed Award – No direct nominations
President’s Spirit of Tennis Award	Closed Award – No direct nominations
Newcombe Medal	Closed Award – No direct nominations

Timeline

Date	Action	Notes
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: 1. National award nominees will be the winners of the <u>2016</u> state/territory award and eligible wildcard nominees



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		2. Wildcard nominations will be accepted direct to TA from eligible candidates. All wildcard nominations must be received by 28 October 2016.
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	