

# **Tennis NZ Wheelchair Coaching Scholarship 2023/24**

#### **Purpose**

Tennis NZ is committed to increasing the inclusivity of our coaches, coaching capability and to influence a change in perception of the capability of wheelchair users in sport in Aotearoa. To achieve this aim, Tennis NZ is providing an opportunity for a wheelchair user to access a scholarship to support their completion of the Tennis NZ Junior Development Coach qualification. Scholarship recipients will have to access professional development in a range of tennis industry areas e.g competition delivery, officiation, volunteer development or performance coaching.

This scholarship is available to wheelchair user of all ages and backgrounds.

#### **Scholarship benefits**

- Scholarship holders will benefit from a 100% discount towards the Junior Development Coach course fee (full cost \$1,900)
- Two virtual group professional development/networking workshops for scholarship recipients conducted by a Tennis NZ Coach Developer.

# **Selection criteria**

Scholarship holders will be selected based on the following criteria:

- Be a citizen or permanent resident of Aotearoa
- Must be 17 years or over at the time of application
- Sees tennis coaching as a viable career and shows a desire work either fulltime or part time as a tennis coach
- Desire to work with players of all ages in wheelchair tennis
- Shows a commitment to delivering Tennis NZ national initiatives, eg Tennis Hot Shots.
- Nominate a supervising coach who holds a minimum of the Tennis Australia Junior Development coach
  qualification (or international equivalent). Tennis NZ can help to connect you with a suitably qualified
  coach if required.
- Undergo an NZ Police vetting procedure
- Hold a 1-day First Aid certificate or be willing to attend a course
- Shows commitment to the sport of tennis
- Demonstrate high levels of maturity, commitment and self motivation.
- It is desirable that coaches have previously attended the 3-day Coaching Assistant Course. Please contact the Tennis NZ Coach Development Manager if you have not completed this course

# **2023 JDC Course Dates:**

# Wellington

- Block 1:22-26 March (Webinar date TBC)
- Block 2: 17-20 May (Webinar date TBC)
- Block 3: 28 June -1 July (Webinar date TBC)
- Block 4: 2-5 August (Webinar date TBC)

#### Auckland

- Block 1: 13-16 April (Webinar date TBC)
- Block 2: 7-10 June (Webinar date TBC)
- Block 3: 5 -8 July (Webinar date TBC)
- Block 4: 9-12 August (Webinar date TBC)



# **Terms and conditions**

# **Obligations of Tennis NZ**

- a. Make a minimum contribution of 75% of the Junior Development Course fee
- b. Offer a minimum of four virtual group professional development/networking workshops for scholarship recipients conducted by a Tennis NZ Coach Developer throughout the course of the scholarship
- c. Provide access to networking opportunities as available
- d. Provide recipient with guidance for planning professional learning opportunities in the future

### Obligations of the scholarship recipient

On accepting the Tennis NZ Wheelchair Coaching Scholarship, the successful applicants will consent to being bound by and agree to the following:

- a. Participation in the JDC Coaching Network WhatsApp group
- b. Make a commitment to introduce at least one initiative at your club / coaching venue to increase tennis opportunities for wheelchair communities
- c. Assist at a minimum of one Tennis NZ / Regional tennis activation (minimum of four hours)
- d. Tell us your story! Provide quarterly progress updates of TNZ to share for social media and reporting purposes
- e. Junior Development Coaching Course Terms and Conditions, found here:
- f. The course should be completed within 12 months, otherwise an extension fee of \$400 will be incurred. This will provide a 12-month extension.
- g. If all course requirements are not successfully completed within 24 months from the start day of the course, the coach will be withdrawn, and the candidate is required to repay the scholarship grant (\$1,425.00 \$1,900.00).

# Agreement to terms and conditions

By signing below, the Tennis NZ Wheelchair Coaching Scholarship accept and agree to be bound by the above terms and conditions.

| Name:                  |   | Signature: |
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| Date:                  |   |            |
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| On behalf of Tennis NZ |   |            |
| Name: /                | Adam Roberts, Coach Development Manager | Signature: |

Date: 5 December 2023