

# Your Voice Your Experience Your Club

A Youth's Guide to Getting Involved



# Why Your Voice Matters



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### Shape Your Club Experience

Every player is unique, and clubs want to make tennis fun for everyone. If you notice ways to improve your experience or make sessions more engaging, speak up! Clubs and players share the same goal - enjoying the sport and making the club a place you want to be.

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### Help Your Club Grow

By inviting friends and encouraging others to join sessions, you help create a fun, welcoming environment for everyone. More players mean more energy, more excitement, and more opportunities for everyone to enjoy tennis their way.

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### Build Ownership and Pride

When youth are included in club decisions, it gives a sense of ownership and pride. Feeling valued motivates you to participate more, contribute creatively, and even take on leadership roles. This strengthens the club's culture and helps everyone feel part of a welcoming, active community.

# Ways to Get Involved



## Attend Meetings or Forums

- Appoint a Youth Champion within the club.
- Run youth advisory panels or discussion groups quarterly.
- Use surveys, polls, or suggestion boxes to gather ideas and feedback.

## Co-Create Programs and Events

- Involve youth in planning tournaments or social events
- Experiment with short match rotations, team-based activities, and themed events.
- Allow youth to lead sessions, mini-competitions, or social media initiatives.

## Make Participation Fun & Accessible

- Schedule sessions at youth-friendly times (after school, weekends).
- Incorporate music, social activities, and prizes to keep events lively.
- Offer mixed formats: casual play, competitions, and skill-building sessions.

## Communicate & Celebrate Youth Involvement

- Share youth-led initiatives in newsletters, social media, or local media.
- Recognise youth contributions to events and planning.
- Encourage peer-to-peer engagement and mentoring opportunities.

# “Get Involved” Checklist



Get to know a committee member or coach and ask about ways to get involved



Follow up with club leaders on feedback you've given - see the impact you're making



Attend a club committee meeting to see how decisions are made



Volunteer for an upcoming event or project



Help make posters, social posts, or digital content for the club



Create a “Youth Voice Wall” or idea board for members to see



Gather peer feedback and suggestions to bring to club leaders



Share your ideas for events, sessions, or social activities



Encourage other youth members to get involved too



Talk to your Junior Convenor about opportunities for youth input