

## Brenda Perry MNZM



1971-1975

Inspired by strong women such as Billie-Jean King and influential teachers at EGGS, and with the support of her family, Brenda followed her passion becoming a tennis player. With discipline and talent, she became NZ's No.1 Junior and No.1 Women's Player representing NZ internationally including at Fed Cup. Brenda achieved a world ranking of 80 and played in all four Grand Slams.

After playing professional tennis, Brenda went on to establish and operate women's professional tennis events in NZ and internationally and be an advocate for equal opportunities and prizemoney for world's top 100 Players. Brenda's proudest achievement is to have contributed in NZ and internationally to women's professional tennis and to have seen it lead the way in breaking barriers for women in roles and social structures in countries all around the world.

She'd like EGGS girls to know that "There's still much work to be done, change to be made and evolution to continue for women in roles in so many fields, in leadership and in day to day life around the world. Sometimes you have to push, fight battles and work hard to achieve justice and equality."

"Listen to your gut instinct in that still part inside of you."