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The Self Focused are a challenging target for clubs. There is potential for sports to develop products which cater to this segment’s individual needs such as self-improvement and fitness.

- The Self Focused may be tempted by products focused on assisting self – improvement, provided there is flexibility to fit participation into their own schedules.
- Activities that might interest them reflect this internal, self-directed focus.

What to talk to them about? (Products)
- Products aimed at individual growth and fitness – rather than teamwork
- Flexible memberships and schedule
- Pay as you play
- Non-competitive play
- Beginner classes
- Skills improvement classes

What to say? (Message areas)
- Clubs promote self growth and help you achieve your fitness / personal goals – in your own time
- You can have control and flexibility in the memberships and schedules
- No commitment or excessive cost
- Try / learn something new in a friendly, non-competitive environment
- Improve your skills at your own pace

Interest in doing more sports? 12%
Previous club membership? 48%
Interest in club membership? 11%

How to say it? (Tone)
- Encouraging

This would require sports to offer products as well as activities outside of the traditional club structure of membership, training and competition.

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