



**BOWLS**  
NEW SOUTH WALES

# Hall of Fame



## **Rex Johnston** **OAM** Inducted 2009

An Australian lawn bowls legend – Rex “Paddles” Johnston OAM  
Below is a snapshot – not a definitive list, by any means:

- Took up sport of bowls to recover from injuries suffered in a motor vehicle accident
- Has played for his club at zone level since 1979
- One of the most decorated bowlers in NSW
- Has represented Australia 450 times and NSW 320
- Has represented Australia at four consecutive Commonwealth Games (winning a gold medal in 1994, silver in 1998, two World Bowls tournaments (Team Bronze in 1996 and Team Gold in 2000), five Asia Pacific Games, ten Trans-Tasmanians, four Hong Kong Classics, three World Indoor Championships and 19 indoor Internationals
- Awarded the Order of Australia Medal in 2006 for service to lawn bowls as a competitor and administrator
- Thought to be the best 2 bowl skipper both here and overseas
- Most recently Rex continues his devotion to the game through coaching and as an Australian representative player
- Thoughts for the future:  
“The more professional we become in bowls, the better our prospects of service in the future”