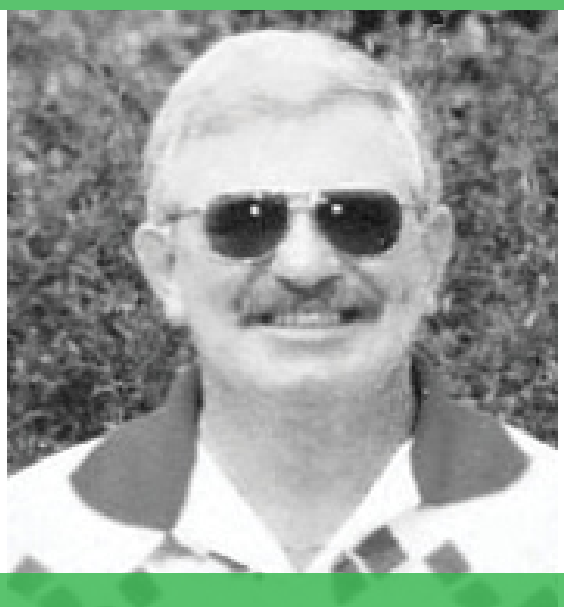
BOWLS NEW SOUTH WALES

Hall of Fame



Terry Harmer

Inducted 2015

The most successful coach coordinator in the history of RNSWBA lawn bowls:
"Terry could convince an ordinary club bowler he was a champion and they would go out on the green and play like the Jack Gibson of lawn bowls."

- Terry Harmer began his career at Alexandria-Erskineville BC in the early 1970s.
- In his first year he won the Minor Singles, the Metropolitan Reserve Singles and the Grade 6 Metropolitan Pennant.
- On 25 November 1980 he became NSW Cap #775 and went on to represent on 41 occasions.
- Moving to St George, Terry was successful in almost every club and Zone event and skipped his Zone rink to success in the inaugural State U-45s Zone Championship.
- From a rough, tough former rugby league hitman, Terry "Moose" Harmer hit the Hunter District's Maitland City Club by storm in late 1986 as basically the first of the full-time bowls coach/coordinators. His 'no frills, no nonsense' approach soon bore fruit at a club which had not won a pennant since the late 1940s.
- Terry also managed to win 10 club, 9 District and 4 Zone Championships as well as the NSW State Pairs (1995).
- An outstanding coach and mentor to young bowlers, there were many excellent players graduated from the Harmer machine. Terry taught etiquette and common sense and was respected by all.
- Scrupulously honest with his fellow bowlers, the "Moose" asked for no quarter with fairness and spirit of the sport always the main criteria.
- Posthumously, Terry Harmer has been rewarded with a green and a Major Pairs Tournament named after him at Maitland City BC – the club he 'put on the map'.

Maitland City Pennant results under Coach Coordinator Terry Harmer

Grade	1			2		3		4		5		6		7	
	District	Zone	State	District	Zone	District	Zone	District	Zone	District	Zone	District	Zone	District	Zone
1987	Won							Won	Won						
1988															
1989	Won	Won				Won	Won								
1990	Won	Won		Won											
1991	Won	Won								Won	Won				
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1993	Won	Won													Won
1994	Won	Won	R/U									Won	Won	Won	
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