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Hall of Fame



Lynn Smith Inducted 2017

Lynn was inducted into the Women's Bowls Hall of Fame on 23rd November 2017, at the Bankstown Sports Club.

Lynn Smith is a very familiar name amongst the bowling fraternity. Lynn hails from a bowling family synonymous with success beginning her own bowling career in 1980 at the Western Suburbs BC. Just 5 years later Lynn won the grand slam at that club before moving to Roselands. Lynn continued to dominate and won numerous club and district championships and became a permanent fixture in the NSW team for over 10 years, playing 88 games for her state in the days when the open team was the only representative team selected in NSW.

Cruelly, Lynn was struck down with an epidural abscess in 2005 and spent 6 months in hospital and as a result became an "incomplete paraplegic" however unable to keep a good woman down, in 2008 Lynn won the Sue Fear Award for courage and achievement in sport.

Lynn joined Wheelchair Sports NSW the same year and again she was a regular visitor to the winner's circle. In addition to that, she was a visionary and pioneer of the sport, initiating the first Over 60s Pairs Tournament for women, an event that bears her name and has been running annually now for the past 11 years.

It is still a premier event for players and as such it has just been announced as a Selector-Eye tournament for Womens Bowls NSW. Even with her disabilities, being a stubborn-minded individual has stood her in good stead, as she continued to compete in able-bodied events at her club and district, winning the club pairs, triples, and singles at various times between 2012 and 2015.

In 2015, Lynn's heroics were recognised winning the Sportsperson of the Year at the Bankstown Australia Day Awards. Lynn is an exceptional human being who is deserved of being the 2017 Inductee into the