

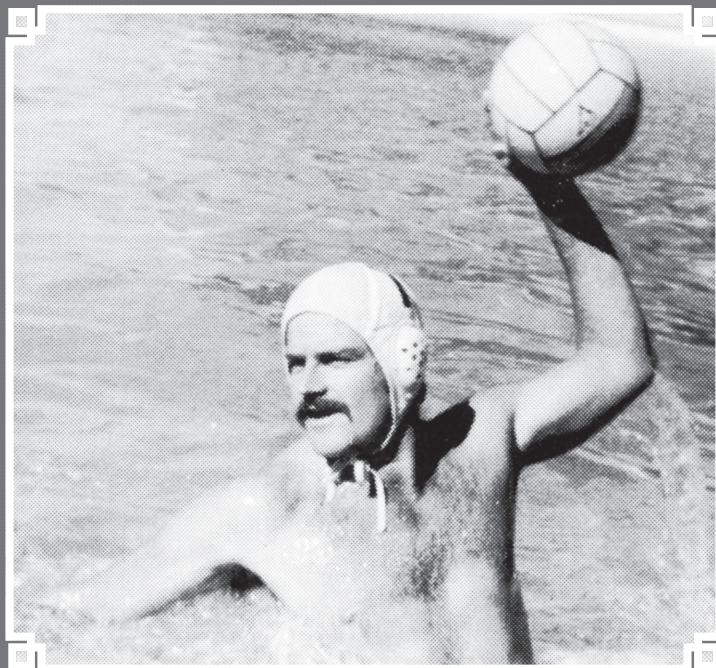
# LES NUNN

MAYLANDS (WA)

AUSTRALIAN CAPTAIN

159 CAPS, 1960 - 1973

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Les Nunn represented the Maylands club of Perth and, in his inaugural year in the WA State team, was selected in the Australian team for the Rome Olympics (1960). He was an integral member of the Australian team at both Tokyo (1964) and Munich (1972) Olympic water polo tournaments.

He was also the mainstay of the Australian team of 1965, which defeated a number of European national teams for the first time in a record 56 match tour, and was the most powerful and accurate player of his era, accruing 159 caps throughout a 13-year career with the Australian team. Les dropped out of water polo in 1966 and 1967 but returned with a vengeance in 1968. He could very well have been a four-time Olympian when selected in the ill fated Australian team that were denied entry to the Mexico City Games in 1968.

Completely discouraged after great personal sacrifice he gave the sport away until 1972 when he was again selected in the Olympic team. His final honour was to captain Australia in its first World Championship in Belgrade (1973). He also played in over 80 interstate games for West Australia over nine National Championships spanning from 1960 to 1975, although his only national title was won in 1964 in Sydney. Les Nunn was both Australia's best centre back and centre forward of his era with an exceptionally accurate left-handed shot.