

## **Ross Michael Livingston**

(Member of the Tasmanian Sporting Hall of Fame 1993)

Born 8 March 1949

A natural all round sportsman, Livingston excelled at tennis, cricket, football and badminton but it was the latter sport that earned him national representation for two countries.

His record includes three under 19 Tasmanian titles, one senior men championship, three Australian Singles titles and several doubles championships. At 19 years of age Livingston won his first of three Australian singles titles in 1969 in Hobart. He was then selected for the 1970 Commonwealth Games team in

Edinburgh as well as the Whyte Trophy and Thomas Cup teams where he played with great distinction.

In 1973 he moved to New Zealand where badminton offered him greater opportunities. He represented his adopted country in the Christchurch Commonwealth Games of 1974 and again at Edmonton in 1978. In between he won three New Zealand single titles. Ross Livingston is regarded in badminton circles as one of the best players Tasmania and Australia has produced. He displayed great sportsmanship throughout his career and was a credit to the game he played with such skill.