

# 60 SECONDS WITH... HOWARD HARRISON, TRAINER



## How long have you been in the Taxi Industry and in what roles?

I became a casual taxi driver in 1963, purchased a taxi licence sometime around 1980 and worked as a full time taxi driver and operator at Cumberland Cabs until I became a Director.

I later moved to Taxis Combined, where I worked for 10 years fulfilling many administrative roles. I went on to work at the NSW Taxi Council as Assistant Executive Officer for six years and Chief Executive Officer for a further six years. I retired from this role in December last year, when I proudly accepted life membership of both the Australian Taxi

Industry Association and the NSW Country Taxi Operators' Association.

Together with Bob Morrow and with the assistance of many in the Taxi Industry and associated organisations, I was instrumental in the introduction of Taxicare Plus Taxi Driver Course, WAT Taxi Driver Course and TaxiCare Taxi Operator Course.

## What courses do you teach?

TaxiCare Taxi Operator's Course.

## Tell us about your family...

I have been married to Beverley for 40 years and have two daughters and two grandsons. As Beverley and I now live in Dunedoo, we still do a fair amount of travelling.

## Favourite food?

Lamb chops, mash potatoes and peas.

## Favourite music?

Johnny Cash, Slim Dusty, Johnny Cash, Waylon Jennings and finally, Johnny Cash.

## Favourite holiday destination?

I have travelled extensively throughout the world and I enjoy the travelling more than the actual destinations.

## What do you do to unwind?

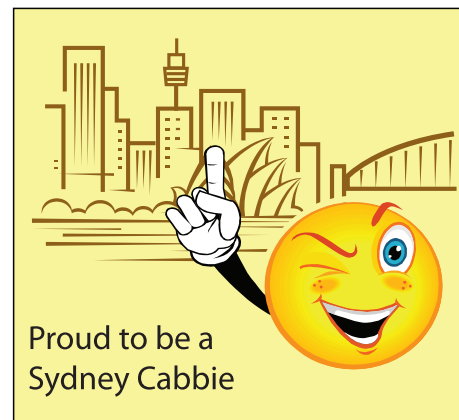
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## What is your most memorable moment whilst teaching taxi students?

The most memorable moments always come from the satisfaction of seeing students learn, understand and leave the course well informed and prepared to operate a successful business.

## If there was one thing you would change in the Taxi Industry, what would it be?

The NSW Taxi Industry is a proud, efficient and essential Industry that provides unlimited opportunity to those who wish to work hard and give the levels of service our customers deserve. I would rid the Taxi Industry of those few within it who delight in putting down the Industry at every opportunity they get. Each and every one of our drivers should be proud to be a NSW cabbie!



Proud to be a  
Sydney Cabbie