Terry Moody 1938 - 2011



Terry Moody, a past president, life member and Fellow of the New Zealand Institute of Environmental Health (NZIEH) and Honorary Vice President International Federation of Environmental Health (IFEH).

Sadly Terry passed away peacefully on the 8th December 2011 in Christchurch, New Zealand, after a struggle with cancer.

Terry had an early career in the merchant navy from 1955 to 1961. He then left the sea to train as a Health Inspector at Wellington Polytechnic. On completion he started his very long career in Environmental Health working for the Department of Health in Takapuna, Auckland. He was then transferred to the Hamilton District Office of the Department of Health just one year later. In 1963 he accepted a position with Christchurch City Council where he remained until his retirement earlier this year

Terry's 44 years at the Christchurch City Council were all largely based in environmental health, in its many various forms; including managing the Council's Environmental Health Department in the '80s and '90s; reviewing the Councils by-laws 2006-2009; and coaching and mentoring new staff; something I am sure he excelled in.

Terry had a prodigious knowledge across all fields of Environmental Health and could debate across a staggering range of issues e.g. pollution, noise control, hygiene and sanitation in all types of premises, food hygiene, hydatids eradication and licensing, to name but a few. He was seen as a bright and knowledgeable figure and always ready to debate the issues – especially when socialising at the NZIEH Conferences where his dry sense of humour came to the fore.

Terry has been an active member of NZIEH and integral part of IFEH, almost from the inception of the Federation. His input into NZIEH and the IFEH has always been seen as being constructive and to the betterment of Environmental Health.

He will be sadly missed by both the members of the New Zealand Environmental Health Institute and many of those in the wider international environmental Health community, particularly those in IFEH.

Vale Terry.

Stephen Bell President NZIEH

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