

COACH HARLIN DORMANN – LEYTON HIGH SCHOOL

Coach Dormann dedicated 27 years of his life to coaching Nebraska Eight Man Football. Beginning in 1979, he took the combined strength of former rivals Dalton and Gurley to mold one of the premier Eight-Man powers of the Western Panhandle- The Leyton Warriors. It didn't take long for his new team to make its' mark, as Harlin compiled a spectacular career record of 178 wins to only 66 losses. Over the years, he would lead the Warriors to 11 state playoff appearances, with two of those teams reaching the state semi-finals (1989 & 1992). Coach Dormann's many honors included: being selected as the All-Region Eight-Man Coach of the Year, being an assistant coach in the 2nd Annual Eight Man All-Star Game in 1979, and then being named the head coach of the West All-Stars in 1980. Over the years, 18 of his players competed in the All-Star Game, with 2 of them being honored as the game's most valuable player. When talking about his program, Coach Dormann often said: "Hopefully the kids learned something in football, and not just because they won- the winning is just the icing on the cake." The NEMFCA is honored to induct him into his rightful place in the 2023 Eight-Man Hall of Fame.