

Eddie Rigg: A 'Can You Help?' Special

Firstly I would like to introduce myself, I am Patricia Gorman, the granddaughter of Eddie Rigg. Recently, I have been researching information about my grandfather relating to his professional career as a Speedway Rider as I have been momentarily searching and emailing in the past, however have not been overly successful not to mention I lost the hard drive of my laptop and lost all the contacts I have made during the past few years.

The information I have come across on the internet has been a wealth of knowledge, as I was only about seven years old when he passed away. I remember vividly his can of cool mints on his bed head and his bears hugs. The day they took him away to hospital for the last time, he was defiant he had a speedway meeting to attend. Mum was nursing him at the time, while she was calling the ambulance, I walked into pa and asked if he needed help, he was rather concerned about which sock went on which foot. Mum returned to his room where pa was sitting on the end of the bed in his suit, I remember mum saying “dad there’s no speedway meeting – your losing the plot the ambulance is on the way” before whisking me out the front door and over to the neighbours. I never really understood why that day he was convinced he was going to a speedway meeting as I never really understood pa’s pastimes before retiring.

Regardless to say, I am wondering if you would know anything about Pa’s professional career history, highlights and achievements? Even maybe the types of bikes and places he had rode at?

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

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