

ADLINGTON, Robin Gerald

Born: July 6, 1948, Palmerston North, New Zealand.

Robin began riding in 1968 and came to England a couple of years later, joining the Nelson 'Admirals' in Division Two. Whilst he spent the majority of his career in the second level, he was often on loan from Division One tracks and had spells in the top flight with Wolverhampton, Coatbridge and Coventry. His career as an 'Admiral' was just one match in length as the club moved across the Pennines to Bradford during the season and he put together some useful performances when he finally won a team place on a regular basis.

He was to become a regular heat leader at the Odsal Stadium, regularly averaging just under eight points per match for three seasons running but was on the move in 1974, riding for Coatbridge in Division Two and occasionally appearing for Coventry in the First Division. He remained at home in 1975 but returned to ride for Berwick in 1976 and spent two seasons at Shielfield Park where he continued in the same vein as he did for the most of the early part of the decade and was one of the most consistent scorers in the division for a number of years. Robin made eight appearances for New Zealand and was part of the Kiwi's World Team Cup squad.

Year	Club	Division	M	R	P	BP	TP	CMA	FM	PM
1970	Nelson	BL2	1	4	4	0	4	4.00	-	-
1970	Bradford	BL2	18	75	70	12	82	4.37	-	-
1970	Wolverhampton	BL1	1	2	0	0	0	0.00	-	-
1971	Bradford	BL2	34	152	239	32	271	7.13	-	2
1971	Wolverhampton	BL1	3	8	5	0	5	2.50	-	-
1972	Glasgow	BL1	23	83	69	14	83	4.00	-	-
1972	Bradford	BL2	34	146	275	13	288	7.89	3	1
1973	Bradford	BL2	38	164	304	21	325	7.93	1	3
1973	Coatbridge	BL1	21	73	69	14	83	4.55	-	-
1974	Coventry	BL1	10	30	13	3	16	2.13	-	-
1974	Coatbridge	BL2	34	139	233	31	264	7.60	1	4
1976	Berwick	NL	33	138	196	40	236	6.84	1	2
1977	Berwick	NL	34	150	244	19	263	7.01	3	-

International Honours: New Zealand international – 8 caps, 21 points.