

## **ARGALL, Edward William (Ted)**

**Born:** January 20, 1921, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia.

**Died:** 1979.

Having started his speedway career in Melbourne in November 1946, Ted arrived in Britain in 1949 with a good reputation after impressing on the Sydney tracks the previous winter. He was initially earmarked for Coventry, but at the last moment he was allocated to Walthamstow after the two clubs agreed a swap deal, with Les Hewitt taking his place at Brandon.

Walthamstow were new to the Second Division that year and Ted was named in their side for the opening matches of the league season. He made a slow start, recording a top score of just four, paid five, at home to Newcastle in April and crashed at Sheffield at the end of the same month, sustaining a broken leg which ruled him out for the rest of the year. A move into Division Three to join Rayleigh in 1950 saw no change in his fortunes and he was given only six outings at the Essex club before being transferred to West Ham to race in their junior league side. Ted returned home to Australia at the end of the season, never having found fame in Britain.

<b>Year</b>	<b>Club</b>	<b>Division</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>BP</b>	<b>TP</b>	<b>CMA</b>	<b>FM</b>	<b>PM</b>
1949	Walthamstow	NL2	12	35	15	7	22	2.51	-	-
1950	Rayleigh	NL3	6	14	8	1	9	2.57	-	-