

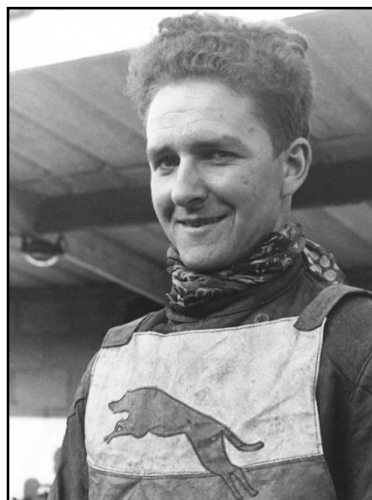
BEAUMONT, Raymond Albert (Ray)

Born: March 11, 1926, Leominster, Herefordshire, England.*

Died: August 16, 1956.

Ray's early career in speedway almost mirrored that of his elder brother, Les. He started out at the 1946 Tiger Stevenson Training School and, after a brief spell at Birmingham, joined Cradley Heath in Division Three. Whilst never achieving the same standards as his brother, Ray added useful scores from the lower end of the side but struggled in 1949 when the Dudley Wood team were promoted into Division Two.

Dropping back into the Third Division with Tamworth, Ray was clearly more comfortable at this level of speedway and had a decent season with the Staffordshire track, scoring a paid maximum and reaching an average of almost six points per match. He ended his speedway career with a short spell at Cardiff but continued to race on grass tracks and was severely injured racing in Cornwall on August 15, 1956, tragically dying from his injuries.



Year	Club	Division	M	R	P	BP	TP	CMA	FM	PM
1947	Birmingham	NL2	5	13	7	2	9	2.77	-	-
1947	Cradley Heath	NL3	26	96	116	25	141	5.88	-	-
1948	Cradley Heath	NL3	20	51	41	17	58	4.55	-	-
1949	Cradley Heath	NL2	8	19	16	4	20	4.21	-	-
1949	Tamworth	NL3	43	125	147	35	182	5.82	-	1
1950	Tamworth	NL3	17	56	35	11	46	3.29	-	-
1951	Cardiff	NL3	7	21	17	6	23	4.38	-	-
1952	Cardiff	SL	2	5	6	0	6	4.80	-	-