



## Building and opening the Digney Speedway

<https://search.heritageburnaby.ca/permalink/archivevideo85334>

Repository:	City of Burnaby Archives
Date:	[between 1948 and 1949]
Collection/Fonds:	Digney Family fonds
Description Level:	Item
Item No.:	562-003-16
Accession Number:	2014-04
Physical Description:	1 film clip (10 min., 47sec.) : digital, b&w, col., si.
Media Type:	Moving Images
Access Restriction:	No restrictions
Reproduction Restriction:	May be restricted by third party rights
Scope and Content:	Item is a digitized silent film segment identified as Reel 16. The film footage shows land being cleared to make way for the Digney Speedway located near the corner of Irmin Street and MacPherson Avenue, one of the men seen in this footage clearing the land is named Lucky Fordham. The film continues with footage of a press dinner in the garden of Andy Digney's home on Bonsor Avenue in Burnaby and is followed with footage of the Digney Speedway in operation for the grand opening on July 8, 1948. Midget cars and jalopies (stock cars) can be seen racing on the speedway. Some of the footage of the raceway pit and races switches to black and white. The film closes with colour footage of a truck moving Lucky Fordham's house from Bonsor Ave to the speedway.
Notes:	Title based on contents of film
Creator:	Digney, Andy
Subjects:	<a href="#">Sports - Automobile Racing</a>
Names:	<a href="#">Digney, Andy</a> <a href="#">Digney, Ernest Frank "Dig"</a> <a href="#">Digney Speedway</a> <a href="#">Fordham, Lucky</a>
Geographic Access:	<a href="#">Burnaby - Bonsor Avenue</a>
Historic Neighbourhood:	<a href="#">Alta-Vista (Historic Neighbourhood)</a> <a href="#">Central Park (Historic Neighbourhood)</a>
Planning Study Area:	<a href="#">Clinton-Glenwood Area</a> <a href="#">Maywood Area</a>

### Video Tracks

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## Digney film 2 - Family in Burnaby, Construction of Simpsons-Sears building and wedding

<https://search.heritageburnaby.ca/permalink/museumvideo10598>

Repository: [Burnaby Village Museum](#)

Date: [between 1934 and 1964] (date of original), copied 2019

Collection/Fonds: [Digney Family fonds](#)

Description Level: Item

Accession Code: BV019.18.3

Storage Location: Digital only

Physical Description: 1 mp4 video (26 min., 51 sec.) : digital, 16 fps, col., si.

Media Type: Moving Images

Access Restriction: No restrictions

Reproduction Restriction: No known restrictions

Scope and Content: Film created by Andy Digney and his son Ernest "Dig" Digney. The film opens with scenes of different dogs playing outside; exterior of Andy and Alice Digney's house on Kaymar Drive; interior of the Digney bowling alley with pins being reset; interior of Andy Digney's greenhouse at his house on Kaymar Drive; construction of the Simpsons-Sears building in 1954 behind the Digney home at 3698 Bonsor Street; unidentified outdoor wedding attended by the Digney's and Swans; Campbell family gathering in Victoria; gathering of friends and family inside Alice and Andy Digney's home on Kaymar Drive before they leave for their World tour in 1964.

Notes: Title based on contents of film segment  
Digitized film is a copy from original 8 mm film  
Nine Film segments from this compilation are described at item level and available for viewing on Heritage Burnaby: BV019.18.3.1; BV019.18.3.5; BV019.18.3.9 to BV019.3.13 and BV019.18.3.16  
Contact Burnaby Village Museum to view entire content

Creator: Andy Digney

Subjects: [Sports - Bowling](#)  
[Buildings - Commercial - Stores](#)  
[Buildings - Recreational - Bowling Alleys](#)

Names: [Digney, Andy](#)  
[Digney, Ernest Frank "Dig"](#)

Geographic Access: [Burnaby - Bonsor Avenue](#)  
[Burnaby - Kaymar Drive](#)