



Building and opening the Digney Speedway

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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
Storage Location:	56-5-1-3
Physical Description:	1 film clip (10 min., 47sec.) : digital, b&w, col., si.
Media Type:	Moving Images
Access Restriction:	No restrictions
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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:	Andy Digney
Subjects:	Sports - Automobile Racing
Names:	Digney, Andy Digney, Ernest Frank "Dig" Digney Speedway Fordham, Lucky
Geographic Access:	Burnaby - Bonsor Avenue
Historic Neighbourhood:	Alta-Vista (Historic Neighbourhood) Central Park (Historic Neighbourhood)
Planning Study Area:	Clinton-Glenwood Area Maywood Area

Video Tracks

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