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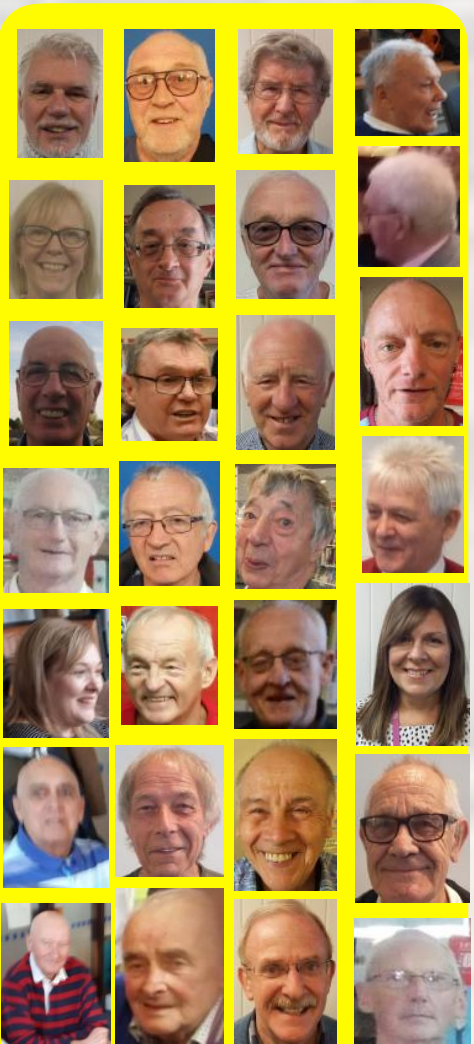


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CRYSTAL PEAKS - ERIC

Eric's Birthday 09/08/1939

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The 1938-39 season saw United promoted from Div 2 in second place, a point behind Blackburn Rovers and a point ahead of Wednesday. During that season United drew 0-0 with Wednesday at Bramall Lane, while Wednesday won 1-0 at Hillsborough. The clubs met twice more in 1939, in the East Midlands Regional Division, with United winning 3-2 at Hillsborough and 4-3 at the Lane. Everton were Div 1 Champions and Barnsley won Div 3 North. The FA Cup saw Portsmouth beat favourites Wolves 4-1.

Among the top films in UK in 1939 was "Stagecoach" starring John Wayne in his first big film, "The Hunchback of Notre Dam" starring Charles Laughton, and "Gone with the Wind" starring Clark Gable and Vivien Leigh.

Big hits that year were Judy Garland "Over the Rainbow" and Glenn Miller "Moonlight Serenade", and the UK star was Vera Lynn with "We'll Meet Again" and "Kiss Me Goodnight Sergeant Major". Other British popular music was "We're Going to Hang out the Washing on the Siegfried Line" and "There'll Always Be an England"

In 1939 the top books were Agatha Christie's "And then there were none", "The Big Sleep" by Raymond Chandler and "The Grapes of Wrath" by John Steinbeck.

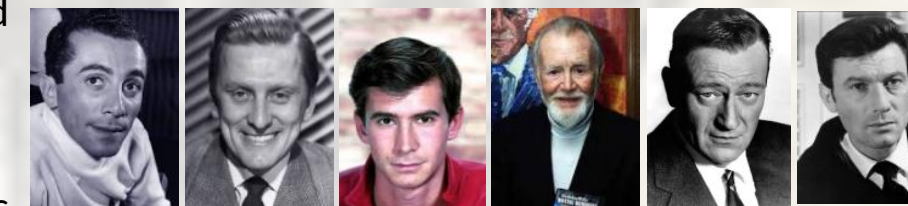
On 9 August 1952 when Eric became a teenager

In 1952 the most popular films included "The Quiet Man", "High Noon", "Singing in the Rain" and "The Greatest Show on Earth". The first Xmas number 1 was in 1952 - "Here in my Heart" Al Martino.

On 9 August 1960 when Eric became a man

Among the top films was "Spartacus" starring Kirk Douglas, "Psycho" starring Anthony Perkins, "Swiss Family Robinson" with John Mills "The Alamo" starring John Wayne, Laurence Harvey and Richard Widmark and "Saturday Night & Sunday Morning".

Among the top records in 1960 was "Cathy's Clown" by the Everly Bros, "Apache" by The Shadows and "Please Don't Tease" by Cliff Richard.





CRYSTAL PEAKS - VINNY

Vinny's Birthday 18/08/46

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When Vinny became a teenager in 1959

The mini car was launched. Syd Owen of Luton Town was Footballer of the year. Forest beat Luton 2-1 to win the FA Cup. Wolves were Champions and Jimmy Greaves was leading scorer (33). Yorkshire were County Champions, with Mike Smith the leading scorer (2,169) and Derek Shackleton the most wickets (126).



"Living Doll" by Cliff Richard & the Shadows. "Lipstick on your collar" by Connie Francis. "Only Sixteen" by Craig Douglas. Films were, "Ben-Hur", "Operation Petticoat" and "Some Like it Hot"



When Vinny was 21 in 1967

The first late August Bank Holiday – prior to that it had been the 1st Monday in August. Jack Charlton of Leeds Utd was Footballer of the year. Spurs beat Chelsea 2-1 to win the Cup. Man Utd were champions and Ron Davies (Soton) was leading scorer (37). Yorkshire were County Champions, with Arthur Milton the leading scorer (1,971) and Tom Cartwright the most wickets (132)



"San Francisco" by Scott McKenzie. "All You Need is Love" by The Beatles. "I'll Never Fall in Love Again" by Tom Jones. Films were, "Fistful of Dollars", "You Only Live Twice" and "Dirty Dozen"



When Vinny was 50 in 1996

The only Gold medal at the 1996 Atlanta Olympics was won by Steve Redgrave and Matthew Pinsent in rowing (men's coxless pair). Charles and Di were divorced. Ford launched the Ka. Eric Cantona of Man Utd was Footballer of the year. Man Utd beat Liverpool 1-0 to win the Cup. Man Utd were also champions and Alan Shearer (Blackburn) was leading scorer (31). Leicester were County Champions, with Graham Gooch the leading scorer (1,944) and Courtney Walsh the most wickets (85)



"Wannabe" by The Spice Girls. Films were, "Die Hard: With a Vengeance", "Usual Suspects" and "Braveheart"





CRYSTAL PEAKS - ED

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Yorkshire drew with Surrey at The Oval 22-25 Aug. Derbyshire won their only ever Championship title that season.

The number one record was Pennies from Heaven by Bing Crosby. The top films included Charge of the Light Brigade starring Errol Flynn.

When Ed became a teenager on 22 August 1949

United drew 2-2 at home with Swansea Town, Wednesday lost 1-0 at Cardiff. FA Cup winners were Wolves, beating Leicester 3-1. League Champions was Portsmouth. The top record was Perry Como with Some Enchanted Evening. The top films included Samson & Delilah and The Third Man.

When Ed was 21 on 22 August 1957

FA Cup winners in 1957 was Aston Villa, beating Man Utd 2-1. League Champions was Man Utd and John Charles was leading scorer with 38. County Cricket champions was Surrey. Jim Parks (Sussex) was the top run scorer with 1,861 and Tony Lock took the most wickets with 153

The top record was Teddy Bear by Elvis Presley. The top films included Ben-Hur, Journey to the Centre of the Earth and Bridge Over The River Kwai

When Ed was 50 on 22 August 1986

FA Cup winners in 1986 were Liverpool, beating Everton 3-1. Liverpool were League champions and Everton runners-up. Gary Lineker was leading scorer with 30. Essex were County Cricket Champions. The top record was Papa Don't Preach by Madonna. The top films included Top Gun, The Fly, Crocodile Dundee and The Colour of Money

