

The Life Of Eric Liddell

- 1) Eric Liddell was born in Tianjin, China on the 16th January 1902
With his Scottish parents busy there with quite a few
He then attended a boarding school in London yes
Followed by the University of Edinburgh or so I guess
- 2) Eric travelled to the summer Olympics in Paris in 1924
Becoming a Scottish sprinter, rugby player and Christian missionary never seen before
Refusing to run in the 100 metres on a Sunday with Christianity in his head
He ran, and won, the 400 metres on a weekday instead
- 3) Eric was married to Florence Mackenzie 1934 to 1945
When sadly on the 21st February 1945, aged 43, in a Japanese camp in China he died
Leaving behind 3 nice children though
Patricia, Maureen and Heather who together in life had a fair go
- 4) And then before much time had gone
The film 'Chariots of Fire' was produced in remembrance of Eric in 1981
Which became an Oscar-winner too
Favoured by oh quite a few
- 5) Whilst this weekend on BBC TV 'Songs of Praise' having a go
HRH Princess Anne and lots of others said they believed Eric Liddell did legacy show
It's now 100 years since his special Gold Medal win
When in Paris in 1924 he didn't want to commit a sin